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THIS COMING WEEK AT ST JAMES' CHURCH WEYBRIDGE

St James' Church is open daily 9.15am–12.30pm.

Mon 12 th	9.15am Morning Prayer; 9.15am The Ark; 7:30pm Compass group meet in Church.
Tues 13 th	8:45am Clergy lead worship at St James' School; 9.00am Vestry Team; 9.15am Morning Prayer via Zoom; 11am Communion at Bridge Court; 11am CTiW meeting in the Lady Chapel; 1pm & 7:30pm Faith Confirmed.
Wed 14 th	9.15am Morning Prayer; 11am Said Eucharist followed by Church Café ; 7:30pm Choir Practice in Church.
Thurs 15 th	9.15am Morning Prayer; 12.30pm Foodbank; 7:30pm Bell Ringing.
Friday 16 th	Clergy are off-duty today.
Saturday 17 th	9.15am Morning Prayer.

NEXT SUNDAY: EPIPHANY 2 – 18th January 2026
8am Said Eucharist, 10am Sung Festival Eucharist (with Junior Church), 4pm Lego Club.

LOOKING AHEAD... DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sun 18th – Sun 25th January - Week of Prayer for Christian Unity
Mon 19th January PCC Meeting 7:30pm in Church.
Mon 26th January Wedding Couples Preparation 7.30pm
Sat 31st January PCC & Clergy away-day
FoSJ – AGM – Sunday 8th February 11:30am in the Small Hall
FoSJ Fundraiser – Saturday evening 28th February
Dr. Helen Fry, who gave us a fascinating talk on 'The Spymaster' in April 2023, is returning to talk about 'Women in Intelligence', the role women played in the secret world of espionage. **Tickets on sale in the hall on Sunday!**

FAITH CONFIRMED GROUPS

Held in church on a Tuesday at 1pm & 7.30pm...a course not just for confirmation candidates but also those wishing to explore in more detail the teachings of our Christian faith from an Anglican perspective. If you would like to renew your understanding about our church, come along!

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY from JAN 19th

Theme for 2026: One Body, One Spirit! We gather with Christians from across Churches in Weybridge to worship. You are very welcome at all the events!

19 th Monday	Methodist Church - online prayer 9.15 am – Zoom link shared next week
20 th Tuesday	RC Christ the Prince of Peace - 10am Mass followed by refreshments
21 st Wednesday	St James' - 11 am Eucharist followed by lunch at the back of church
22 nd Thursday	St Mary Oatlands – 6.30 pm Evening Prayer in the church
24 th Saturday	St James' to host 9.15 am Morning Prayer followed by refreshments

THE BAPTISM OF CHRIST 11th January 2026

*Gluten free wafers are available; please ask a warden.
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8am Said Eucharist

Celebrant, Gospeller & Preacher: Fr Damian Harrison-Miles.

Welcome, Reader & Server: Vacancy. **Could this be you?**

10am Sung Eucharist

Celebrant & Gospeller: Fr Tom. **Preacher** Fr Damian. **Organist:**

Iain Cowden. **Reader:** Katherine M. **Intercessor:** Steve M.

Servers: Richard, Jane & Julia. **EM:** David, Julia & Donna.

Sides-persons: Lesley, Hilary & Richard. **Coffee:** Ann & Patricia.

Deputy Warden: Howard Freeman. **Lock-up:** Jane Mason.

Nominated Person: Juliet Marsh

Introit	Hail to the Lord's anointed	259
Gradual	Celtic Alleluia	
Offertory	Songs of thankfulness and praise	609
Communion	Be still, for the presence of the Lord	67
Anthem	The Three Kings	Cornelius
Recessional	O Jesus, I have promised	503

Service followed by refreshments in the Parish Centre.

This service is available to view live at:

www.facebook.com/stjamesweybridge and on YouTube

11.30am Family Service

Theme: Baptism of Christ - Matthew 3: 13-end

Song 1	Hosanna, hosanna	290
Song 2	Jesus' love is very wonderful	850
Song 3	One more step	525

Led by: Fr Tom. **Reader:** Jane Mason. **Sidesperson:** Sarah Ford.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Please remember in your prayers the following who are in need:

In Acute Need: Connie, David, Fiona, Joyce, Lindsay & Michael.

Recently Departed: Duncan Reid, Heather Brittain, Martin Dixon, Marianne Sahagian, & Gloria Blanchard. **In the Year's**

Mind: Rene Allen, Margaret Hayward, Stephen Murdoch &

Dorothy Bumpus. **One-Year Baptism Anniversary:** Amanda Li

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS...!

We are always looking for volunteers to help keep St James' Church running and wonderful. Could any of these roles work for you? Contact: pccsecretary@stjamesweybridge.org.uk

- 8am Sunday server/reader/welcome
- Quarterly Church hoovering/dusting
- 1st Saturday monthly 9am Church gardening / tidy

O SNAPDRAGON

A very big thank you to Lesley Behrendt for her scent-sational job as the flower team lead. Stepping into the head role is Louise Beresford. Flower to the people!

Cheques should only be made payable to: **Weybridge PCC**. We have a contactless payment device for card payments in Church.

Reg. Charity No: 1130714. Items for the newsletter and mailer by Tuesday 9am – items to rector@stjamesweybridge.org.uk

THE BAPTISM OF CHRIST

Sunday 11th January 2026

YEAR A

COLLECT

Eternal Father, who at the baptism of Jesus revealed him to be your Son, anointing him with the Holy Spirit: grant to us, who are born again by water and the Spirit, that we may be faithful to our calling as your adopted children; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

Acts 10: 34–43

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Peter began to speak to those assembled in the house of Cornelius. 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ – he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.' This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL



Choir Verse:

Now with the strength of your word,
send us to be your disciples, to bring all
the world to the joy of your kingdom.



GOSPEL

Matthew 3: 13–end

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, 'I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?' But Jesus answered him, 'Let it be so now;

for it is proper for us in this way to fulfil all righteousness.' Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.' This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord of all time and eternity, you opened the heavens and revealed yourself as Father in the baptism of Jesus your beloved Son: by the power of your Spirit complete the heavenly work of our rebirth through the waters of the new creation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

LEGO CLUB

For children and young people aged 4+, accompanied by a parent or carer. £3 per child, with a simple meal provided. Our next session is **Sunday 18th January at 4pm**. Do book a space at info@stjamesweybridge.org.uk

JUNIOR CHURCH & FAMILY SERVICE

Our next Family Service is this coming **Sunday 11th January at 11.30 am**. We will resume Junior Church on **Sunday 18th January**. Everyone is welcome!

SMALL GROUPS AT ST JAMES'

If you have not already joined a small group, and would like to do so or hear more information, please email Fr. Tom at curate@stjamesweybridge.org.uk

E-MAIL ADDRESSES

Please note the new-ish e-mail addresses we have at the top of the newsletter for Fr Damian and Alyson in the Parish Office. Fr Tom, Juliet and Steve (churchwardens), and Donna (PCC secretary and safeguarding), all have St James' Weybridge addresses. If you are e-mailing to an old address, it won't be received. Please update your contacts!

COMPASS GROUP – 18-30'S

We usually meet on the 2nd Monday monthly in Church at 7.30pm for discussion, fellowship and food! This coming **Monday 12th January**, we will reflect upon some of the services and bible readings over Christmas and Epiphany.

PRAYER REQUESTS

We have started anew with the prayer list from January. If you would like to add someone to the list, please email Donna at PCCSecretary@stjamesweybridge.org.uk

AND THAT'S A WRAP!

Another big thank you to the team who helped with lights down activities on a very cold (and snowy) Tuesday morning. The trees are down, the lights have been carefully put away, and the tree baubles have been stored. The nativity scene will remain in the altar through Candlemas – so please do continue to enjoy the beauty that is Christ's birth and the adoration of his parents, the shepherds and the wise men.

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