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24th April 2022 | Notices

SJ-St James', SJCC-St James' Church Centre,
SMSJ-St Mary & St John's at Gorse Ride Junior School,
SMSJPC-SMSJ Parish Centre, SE-St Eligius Church

Sunday 24th	Easter 2
8.00am	Holy Communion BCP (SJ)
9.30am	Café Church (SJCC)
9.30am	Holy Communion (SMSJ)
11.00am	Parish Communion (SJ)
11.00am	Holy Communion (SE)
3.00pm	Farewell Tea for Canon John (SJCC)
	(For information, the 'official' part will take place shortly after 4pm)
Monday 25th	
3.45pm	Creative Café (SMSJPC)
Tuesday 26th	
1.45pm	Fledgelings baby & toddler group (SJCC)
2pm	Tea & Chat (SMSJPC)
Wednesday 27th	
9.15am	Toddlers Praise (SE)
Sunday 1st	Easter 3
8.00am	Holy Communion CW (SJ)
9.30am	Family Communion (SJ)
9.30am	Holy Communion (SMSJ)
11.00am	Parish Communion (SJ)
11.00am	Service of the Word (SE)
6.00pm	Evensong (SJ) (choir on holiday)

Canon John's Farewell Tea 24 April 3pm - 5pm @SJCC
Extra cakes would be very welcome - Contact Sue Sampson (0118 9732069) or bring to Centre on Sunday morning.

Celebrations for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee 2nd June
6.30 - 8.30pm - picnic in the Memorial Park with live music
9.30pm lighting of the beacon at St James' Church with bubbly and cake
Donations of bubbly would be much appreciated from next week onwards!!! Please bring to church or take to the Church Office on weekday mornings.

Volunteers BBQ
As a thank you to the many volunteers we have in our parish we would like to invite you to a BBQ on Saturday May 7th @ 4pm @ St Eligius Church. Partners and families welcome. To book your place please use this link: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/318731112337> or contact the office if you need assistance.

Can you help? Crowthorne Foodbank currently needs Carton Juice, Hand-wash, Anti-bacterial Spray, Adult toothpaste, laundry tablets, both Ladies and Men's deodorants, Men's Shower Gel & Shaving Gel, Breakfast cereals, Rice, Pasta, Pasta sauce, Ketchup, Coffee, Teabags, Cup a Soup, Baby Powdered Milk, Pot Noodles. A collection box is in St. James' Church Centre or use collection boxes in local supermarkets.

Live streaming of 11am Easter service at SJ - an apology.
We are very sorry that a technical problem prevented the advertised live streaming and recording of the 11am Easter Day service. We are working on it and hope to be up and running shortly.

Do you have a little free time on a Tuesday afternoon?
THIS IS NOW A VERY URGENT MESSAGE AS ONLY A VERY FEW HAVE SO FAR OFFERED HELP!!
PLEASE, PLEASE CONTACT NICKY URGENTLY IF YOU CAN HELP IN EVEN A SMALL WAY

We urgently need help to keep Fledgelings running. Could you volunteer to - help set up/clear, make tea, bake a cake, organise a simple craft activity, read a story, sing a song, chat to the mums/dads/carers, help promote? Fledgelings has been running for 36 years and many have fond memories of their time helping or just appreciating the chance to make new friends. If this is you then please consider what you can do to ensure it carries on for the next generation. If you feel you can volunteer for any of these then please contact Nicky nicky@alder.ndo.co.uk 07989175156 for more information

Creative Café - Summer Term
Creative Café has finished for this term, but we are looking for volunteers to cook a pie or casserole for next term. If you provide a casserole or chilli-con-carne we can provide the rice. Thank you also to all our volunteers for this term. The mums pass on their sincere thanks for helping them. If you can help out next term, please contact julian@finchampstead.co.uk

Holy Week and Easter Services and events. Thank you!
Thank you to all who contributed in any way to the large number and variety of services and events during Holy Week and Easter. The family-focussed events were very much appreciated with great feedback. The 3-hour Good Friday service with very special musical contribution in the last hour was wonderful. Our many church services were well attended. Thank you to our talented flower arrangers at each location for the beautiful flowers, our bellringers and our choir at St James', those who organised and prepared food and everyone else who helped. It's really very much appreciated.
Your ministry team and wardens.

Save the Date

- 15 May - 6pm Confirmation Service @SJ
- 21 May - 10 -4pm Parish Quiet Day @ St Michaels, Bray
- 21 May - 3pm Family Bingo @SJCC
- 23 May - 7.30pm Annual Church Meeting @ SJCC, followed by Cheese & Wine
- 26 May - 8pm Ascension Day service @ SJ
- 9 June - 7.30pm MU puddings and wine open meeting with speaker from Soulscape @ SJCC
- 12 June - Charity & Mission Sunday
- 18 June - 11 - 3pm Village Fête @Memorial Park
- 25 June - 9am - 10am Ladies Breakfast @SJCC

Parish Intercessions List - Please pray for: Joyce Beckett, Sophie Hall, Ann Pask, Colin Ramsay McClaren, Rosalind Drury, Linda Whiteside, Rita Campbell, Steve Prosser, David Powell, Bob Helliwell, Pamela Redford, Mo Nottage, Helen & Jeff, Daniel, Helen & Chris Goble, John Coombs, Tina Worrell, Alison Woodrow, Tony and Ginger Timms

And those who mourn the loss of their loved ones: Josie Lawrenson, John Ennis, Tina O'Heney

Readings and Prayers for 24 April 2022: EASTER 2

Acts 5:27-32

Peter explains to the authorities why the disciples have to teach other people about Jesus.

²⁷ When the Temple guards had brought the Apostles, they made them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, ²⁸ saying, 'We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us.' ²⁹ But Peter and the apostles answered, 'We must obey God rather than any human authority. ³⁰ The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. ³¹ God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Saviour, so that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. ³² And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.'

Psalm 150

Revelation 1:4-8

This introduction to John's vision and message sets the tone for the rest of the book.

⁴ John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, ⁵ and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, ⁶ and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

⁷ Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen.

⁸ 'I am the Alpha and the Omega', says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

John 20:19-31

Jesus appears to the disciples and convinces Thomas that God has raised him from the dead.

¹⁹ When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the

Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' ²⁰ After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹ Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' ²² When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³ If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

²⁴ But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵ So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'

²⁶ A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' ²⁷ Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' ²⁸ Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' ²⁹ Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

³⁰ Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book.

³¹ But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name

Collect

Risen Christ, for whom no door is locked, no entrance barred: open the doors of our hearts, that we may seek the good of others and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace, to the praise of God the Father.

Post Communion

Lord God our Father, through our Saviour Jesus Christ you have assured your children of eternal life and in baptism have made us one with him: deliver us from the death of sin and raise us to new life in your love, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.