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30th October 2022 | Notices

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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
AGCC - Arborfield Green Community Centre

Sunday 30th	All Saints' & All Souls' Sunday Don't forget the clocks go back!!
8.00am	Holy Communion BCP (SJ)
9.30am	Café Church (SJCC)
9.30am	Holy Communion with children's activities (SMSJ)
11.00am	Parish Communion for All Saints' (SJ) - with visiting preacher
11.00am	Holy Communion (SE)
6.00pm	All Souls' Service (SJ) (see details)
Monday 31st	
9.30am	Fledgelings (SJCC)
Tuesday 1st	
3.45pm	United Kidz@Play (SE)
7.30pm	ALPHA (SJCC)
Wednesday 2nd	
9.15am	Toddler Praise (SE)
Thursday 3rd	
7.15pm	Purpose Driven Life study group (SJCC)
8.00pm	Thursday Prayer Meeting (SMSJPC)
Sunday 6th	Third Sunday before Advent
8.00am	Holy Communion CW (SJ)
9.30am	Family Communion (SJ)
9.30am	Holy Communion with children's activities (SMSJ)
11.00am	Parish Communion (SJ)
11.00am	Holy Communion (SE)
6.00pm	Evensong (SJ)

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Whole Parish Remembrance Service at St Eligius' Church, Arborfield Green, (RG2 9NB) 13th November at 10.50am

There will be no 9.30am service at St Mary and St John's and no 11am service at St James' on Remembrance Sunday. Instead, we will have a Whole Parish Remembrance Service at St Eligius starting at 10.50am. Parking is limited so please car-share where possible. The 8am BCP and 9.30am café church services at St James' will still go ahead as normal. The Church will also be leading the traditional outdoor service that afternoon at 3pm at the newly positioned War Memorial by Finchampstead Memorial Park, The Village.

Regular giving

Thank you so much to those who have started to give regularly or increased their monthly gift recently. We are highly dependent on regular gifts to continue our work and really need and appreciate your support. If you can help, please do contact me for advice. Or look on our website. Many thanks to all, Rob Alder.
robert@alder.ndo.co.uk.

Bring and Buy Sale - Sunday 20th November at St James'

After 9.30 and 11.00 services - "Bring and Buy Sale" of: New toiletries, books, gifts, nick-knacks, jewellery, toys and craft items etc. (ideal for Christmas presents).

Contributions very much welcomed, please bring them to SJCC before 20th Nov; there is a box near the coffee bar.

Christmas Hamper Raffle at St James'

Tickets will be available after most services, draw to take place on Sunday 18th December after the 11am Service.

Annual All Souls' Service - Sunday 30th October 6pm at St James' Church You will have the opportunity to light a candle in memory of loved ones who have died. After the All Souls' Service we will be serving refreshments in the Church Centre.

Tea and Chat SMSJPC 2pm - 3.30pm every 2nd & 4th Tuesday
Tea and Chat will continue to meet in St Mary and St John's Parish Centre despite the building work on the Gorse Ride Estate. Please note Billing Avenue will be accessed via a temporary Road for 38 weeks during the next phase of the Community regeneration. Rev Julian.

Purpose Driven Life Study Group (SJCC) Thursdays 7.15pm
Not too late to join the study group. It is a course with video input and then discussion, but each week is effectively 'stand-alone'. You will be most welcome.

Youth Group 6.30pm to 8pm @ St Eligius 11th November
Ages 11 to 14 welcome to join in with some fun and games for our last youth group for this year. Book via <https://youth-group.eventbrite.co.uk>

Save the Date

10 Nov 2pm Mothers' Union meeting (SJCC) with speaker on the War memorials of W Berkshire. All welcome.

11 Nov 6.30pm Youth Group (SE)

13 Nov 10.50am Whole Parish Remembrance Service (SE)

3pm Service of Rededication and Remembrance at Finchampstead War Memorial, The Village

20 Nov Bring and Buy after services (SJCC)

27 Nov 6pm Advent Carol Service (SJ)

3 Dec 3pm - 6pm Church School Christmas Fair

4 Dec Cake Sale in aid of churchyard (SJCC)

17 Dec 9am Ladies Breakfast (SJCC)

18 Dec Nine Lessons & Carols (Wellington College)

24 Dec 4pm Christingle (Wellington College)

21 Jan Quiz evening with supper (SJCC)

11 Mar Churchyard Spring Tea (SJCC)

18 Mar Family bingo with afternoon tea (SJCC)

Parish Intercessions List - Please pray for: Joyce Beckett, Sophie Hall, Ann Pask, Colin Ramsay McClaren, Linda Whiteside, Gerry and Steve Prosser, David Powell, Bob Helliwell, Pamela Redford, Mo Nottage, Daniel, Helen & Chris Goble, John Coombs, Tina Worrell, Alison Woodrow, Ginger Timms, Regina and Bella, Susan Campbell, Hannah and Tom Edwards, Jamie-Marie Hemming, Rob, Brenda Barker
And those who mourn the loss of loved ones: Larry Le Var, Robert Mackie Scollick, David Atkinson

Readings and Prayers for

30 October 2022:

ALL SAINTS' DAY

Daniel 7:1-3&15-18

The book of Daniel is full of dreams and visions. Here God confirms the inheritance of his saints.

¹In the first year of King Belshazzar of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in bed. Then he wrote down the dream: ²I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, ³and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another.

⁴As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me. ⁵I approached one of the attendants to ask him the truth concerning all this. So he said that he would disclose to me the interpretation of the matter: ⁶'As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth. ⁷But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom for ever—for ever and ever.'

Psalm 149

Ephesians 1:11-23

Paul anchors the faith of the followers of Jesus, the saints, deep within God's purposes for his creation.

¹¹In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, ¹²so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. ¹³In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; ¹⁴this is the pledge of our inheritance towards redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

¹⁵I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason ¹⁶I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. ¹⁷I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, ¹⁸so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, ¹⁹and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. ²⁰God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. ²²And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over

all things for the church, ²³which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Luke 6:20-31

Jesus sets out the qualities his disciples should aspire to.

²⁰Then Jesus looked up at his disciples and said: 'Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.

²¹Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.

²²'Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. ²³Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.

²⁴'But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. ²⁵Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep. ²⁶Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

²⁷'But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, ²⁸bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. ²⁹If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. ³⁰Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. ³¹Do to others as you would have them do to you.

Collect

God of holiness, your glory is proclaimed in every age: as we rejoice in the faith of your saints, inspire us to follow their example with boldness and joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Post Communion

God, the source of all holiness and giver of all good things: may we who have shared at this table as strangers and pilgrims here on earth be welcomed with all your saints to the heavenly feast on the day of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.