

**13<sup>th</sup> November | 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  
AGCC - Arborfield Green Community Centre

<b>Sunday 13<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Remembrance Sunday / Second Sunday Before Advent</b>
8.00am	Holy Communion BCP (SJ)
9.30am	Café Church (SJCC)
<b>10.50am</b>	<b>Whole Parish Combined Remembrance Service (SE) (Livestream)</b>
<b>3.00pm</b>	<b>Remembrance Day Parade and Service, including Rededication of relocated War Memorial (Finchampstead Memorial Park, The Village)</b>
<b>Monday 14<sup>th</sup></b>	
9.30am	Fledgelings (SJCC)
<b>Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup></b>	
9.15am	Toddler Praise (SE)
<b>Sunday 20<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Christ the King / Sunday before Advent</b>
	<b>Bring &amp; Buy sale after services at SJ</b>
8.00am	Holy Communion CW (SJ) Join us for coffee and croissants after in SJCC
9.30am	Café Church (SJCC)
9.30am	Holy Communion with children's activities (SMSJ)
11.00am	Parish Communion (SJ)
11.00am	Holy Communion (SE)

**Quench Bookstall after services at St James' on Advent**

**Sunday (27 November)** Cards, gifts, books etc. If you'd like to pre-order Meaningful Chocolate Company Advent calendars including the Christmas story @ £4.50 to pick up on the day or collect from me, please text or email me - Carolyn Fox 07779724090 or [carolynfox@aol.com](mailto:carolynfox@aol.com)

**Tea and Chat SMSJPC 2pm - 3.30pm every 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday**

Continuing 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.



**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](mailto:robert@alder.ndo.co.uk).

**Bring and Buy Sale - Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> 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 20<sup>th</sup> 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 18<sup>th</sup> December after the 11am Service.

**Christmas Cake Raffle at St James' in aid of Churchyard**

Tickets available from 20<sup>th</sup> November. Draw to take place at **Churchyard Cake Sale after services at SJ on 4<sup>th</sup> December.**

**Christingle Booking Forms now available in SJCC**

Application forms for free tickets for our Christingle service on Christmas Eve at Wellington College Chapel are now available. Please return completed forms to SJ Church Centre by 27<sup>th</sup> November.

**Green Team Working Party 26<sup>th</sup> Nov 10am - noon SJCC**

Last opportunity of the year to work together on the Lost Liddell Gardens behind the Manor House. Sign up sheet by the coffee bar in SJCC. Sadly, no bacon butties this time!!

**Save the Date**

- 20 Nov Bring and Buy after services (SJCC)
- 26 Nov 10am Green Team Working Party (SJCC)
- 27 Nov 6pm Advent Carol Service (SJ)
- 3 Dec 11am - 1pm 'Christmessy' Family Fun (SJCC)
- 3pm - 6pm Church School Christmas Fair
- 4 Dec Cake Sale in aid of churchyard (SJCC)
- 8 Dec 2pm Mothers' Union Christmas service & Tea (SJ)
- 17 Dec 9am Ladies Breakfast (SJCC)
- 18 Dec 9.30am Carols, Crib & Communion (SMSJ)
- 9.30am Family Carols (SJ)
- 6pm 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)
- 1 July Church Fete on Memorial Park

# Readings and Prayers for 13 November 2022: REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

## Malachi 4:1-2a

*In this brief passage the prophet looks ahead to days of destruction, but also of hope.*

<sup>1</sup> See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the **LORD** of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. <sup>2</sup> But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings.

## Psalm 98

<sup>1</sup> O sing to the LORD a new song,  
for he has done marvellous things.  
His right hand and his holy arm  
have gained him victory.

<sup>2</sup> The LORD has made known his victory;  
he has revealed his vindication in the sight of the nations.

<sup>3</sup> He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness

to the house of Israel.  
All the ends of the earth have seen  
the victory of our God.

<sup>4</sup> Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth;  
break forth into joyous song and sing praises.

<sup>5</sup> Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre,  
with the lyre and the sound of melody.

<sup>6</sup> With trumpets and the sound of the horn  
make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD.

<sup>7</sup> Let the sea roar, and all that fills it;  
the world and those who live in it.

<sup>8</sup> Let the floods clap their hands;  
let the hills sing together for joy

<sup>9</sup> at the presence of the LORD, for he is coming  
to judge the earth.

He will judge the world with righteousness,  
and the peoples with equity.

## 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

*Paul refers frequently in his letters about the importance of work, and here he condemns idleness out of hand.*

<sup>6</sup> Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. <sup>7</sup> For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, <sup>8</sup> and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labour we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. <sup>9</sup> This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. <sup>10</sup> For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone

unwilling to work should not eat. <sup>11</sup> For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. <sup>12</sup> Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. <sup>13</sup> Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

## Luke 21:5-19

*As the time of his own trial draws near, Jesus gives a word of encouragement to his disciples. The temple will be destroyed; Christians will be persecuted but God will protect them.*

<sup>5</sup> When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, Jesus said, <sup>6</sup> 'As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.'

<sup>7</sup> They asked him, 'Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?' <sup>8</sup> And he said, 'Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, "I am he!" and, "The time is near!" Do not go after them.

<sup>9</sup> 'When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately.' <sup>10</sup> Then he said to them, 'Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; <sup>11</sup> there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

<sup>12</sup> 'But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name.

<sup>13</sup> This will give you an opportunity to testify. <sup>14</sup> So make up your minds not to prepare your defence in advance; <sup>15</sup> for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. <sup>16</sup> You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. <sup>17</sup> You will be hated by all because of my name. <sup>18</sup> But not a hair of your head will perish. <sup>19</sup> By your endurance you will gain your souls.

## Collect

God, our refuge and strength, bring near the day when wars shall cease and poverty and pain shall end, that earth may know the peace of heaven through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## Post Communion

God of peace, whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom and restored the broken to wholeness of life: look with compassion on the anguish of the world, and by your healing power make whole both people and nations; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.