
ST JAMES PARISH CHURCH, SILSDEN

WEEKLY NEWSHEET

SATURDAY 23 NOVEMBER 2024

OUR VISION: TO BE JESUS-SHAPED



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Readings for 24 November 2024

Christ the King

Daniel Chap 7 verses 9-10 and 13-14

Psalm 93

Revelation Chap 1 verses 4-8

Gospel of John Chap 18 verses 33-37

Services on Sunday 24 November 2024

9.30am Parish Communion – led by Rev Denis Tate

(10.20am - 10.55am Tea and Coffee in the St James Church Community Hall)

**11am Together @ 11: Christ the King with Holy Communion
led by Neil Whitaker and Rev Bob Evans**

Services Coming Up

Sunday 1 December Advent Sunday	Gathering Breakfast in the Hall from 9.15am 10am - Sunday Gathering in the Hall – the Angel and Mary led by Alison and Paul 11am - Holy Communion (said) – in the Meeting Room, off the Hall, led by Rev Pat Smith 4pm – Pizza Praise
Sunday 8 December	9.30am Parish Communion (also on YouTube) – led by Rev Denis Tate 11am Together @ 11 – the Angel and Joseph – led by Susan and Michael

Alpha Course at St James 2024

Alpha continues again this Wednesday 20 November - 7.30pm in the Hall.

Thank you to the team who are delivering this Alpha course at St James

Sunday Home Group

Sunday Home Group next meets this Sunday 24 November, at 7pm (in the Hall).

Pizza Praise

The last Pizza Praise of the year will take place on 1 December 2024 at 4pm. It will be followed by, at 5.15pm, a meeting to review Pizza Praise generally as we think about the new year. The meeting is open to all church members.

Please also note that, due to the Christmas market, there will be no Pizza Praise on Sunday 24 November.

Silsden supporting families in Liberia

We will be holding a coffee morning in St James' Church Hall on Saturday 23rd November from 9.30 - 12.00.

This is to raise funds for our friends in Liberia for the continuation of the training course that their organisation God's Kingdom of Hope International (GKHI) are currently running to empower vulnerable women.

They have 71 women attending the course which they started on 4th November with some funding which you, St James' congregation have already helped to provide but they do need more with so many people eager to learn.

Please come along and learn more about what they are doing.

We and they would really appreciate your support

Thank you

Joanna, Derek, Laura, Peter and Evangeline

Personal Growth and Leadership Course

Our team from St James is attending the next session of the Diocese's Personal Growth and Leadership course this Saturday morning (23 November). Please pray for them and everyone attending this course.

Christmas Market in Silsden

Sunday 24 November is the day when Silsden's 2024 Christmas market and Christmas lights switch on will take place.

The Christmas Market is centred on the Town Hall - 10:00am to 4:00pm

At 4pm there will be carol singing around the bandstand and the churches are leading this – so please come along to sing heartily and get Silsden folk joining in! This is a great opportunity for people who don't normally come to church to be reminded that Christmas is about Jesus

The Christmas lights will be switched on at 4:30pm.

Please note that this year Briggate will not be closed, so access to the church car park should not be affected.

There will be a brass band playing in the town hall 5.30 onwards with bar open for refreshments.

St James Advent Calendar

On 1st December the St James Advent calendar begins! Go to our website www.stjamesilsden.org.uk . You can go to "What's On" and find it, or scroll down to see the square picture advertising it. Each day will bring a meditation written, and sometimes spoken, by someone in our congregation.



Christmas at St James



Decorating the church and hall

We will be decorating the church and hall for Christmas on Saturday 7th December at 10am. Please do come down and help to make our church and hall look fantastic for Christmas.

Church Christmas Party – 14th December

🎄 Come and join us for a

Fun Night of Festive Cheer

St James' Christmas Party

Saturday 14th December

6.30 - 9pm

Tickets -£5

Please bring you own drinks and if possible some food to share.

Tickets available from the Social Mission Group members

Deborah Thorley, Alison R, Louise Outhwaite, Jackie Hudson, Steph Spence and Jo Towers

CTIS Carol Singing – 21 December

Churches Together in Silsden (CTIS) will be singing carols in front of the Methodist church on Saturday 21 December at 10am. If you enjoy singing a good carol, please do join in.

Carols by Candlelight – 22 December

On Sunday 22 December at 7pm we will be holding a Carols by Candlelight service. We will be offering light refreshments after the service. If you can help with the refreshments, please see Val.

Christingles – 24 December

We will be holding two Christingle services on Christmas Eve – one at 3.30pm and one at 5pm.

We will be assembling the Christingles on Monday 23 December at 3pm. Please see Jayne if you can help.

Christmas Eve Service at Kildwick

We are invited to attend St Andrews Kildwick at 9.30pm on Christmas Eve for their midnight (Bethlehem time - midnight in Bethlehem is 10pm here) Holy Communion service for Christmas.

Christmas Day

On Christmas Day there will be just one service (communion) – at 10.00am led by Revd Bob Evans

A Message from the Salvation Army

Thank you so much for your kind harvest donation toward the work at our foodbank. They are hugely appreciated and give us a boost at this time of year.

We have now launched our Christmas Appeal (sorry). See the posters for “ Food We Need” and “ Toy Appeal” on the notice board in the hall in case you are able to offer support for that toy ! If you need any further information, please do get in touch. There is also a QR code for anyone wanting to make a financial contribution.

Many thanks again.
Kind Regards,
Heather Hornby
Administrator
Keighley Salvation Army
Tel : 01535603494

Bank Details

St James' bank account details for direct payments (for Share/general church funds) are:-

Barclays Bank
Silsden Parish Church PCC
Sort Code 20-45-14
Acc No 90871176

Worship in the Homes

The next up-coming visits are as follows:

- 4 December 2pm Carol Service at Summerfield
- 9 December 2pm Carol Service at The Raikes
- 11 December 2pm Carol Service at Spring Bank

- 18 December 2pm Carol Service at The Gables

Please come along to help and especially to sing! Please wear a Christmas jumper or hat.

Thanks for all your support.

Bob

Praying for Silsden

This coming week we are praying, as a church, for the residents of:-

Calder Way
Swale Court
Dobsons Wharf
Christopher Close

Items for this weekly Newsletter

Please can anyone with items for the newsletter send them to Deborah – ideally by email to a.thorley171@btinternet.com.

Church Rotas

Many thanks to everyone who is on a rota at church (there are quite a few!). I will be coming round to ask people about the rotas they are on in the next few weeks – whether they want to continue and even if they want to join others. I will also be asking for new volunteers.

Thanks, Deborah

Regular church events

Thursday Zoom prayers	Every Thursday 15 minutes of prayer time together online at 7.15pm (Zoom) - please come along! Meeting ID: 952 0002 8284 Passcode: 201804	Next one – Thursday 28 November
CAMEO	The first Tuesday of each month at	On hold until the café re-opens

(Come and Meet Each Other)	1.30pm	
Thursday Group	The fourth Thursday of each month at 2pm	Next one Thursday 28 November at Sheila's house
Friday at the King Pub Social	First and Third Fridays of the month – 7pm to around 9pm at the Kings Arms	Next one Friday 29 November
PCC Meetings	Second Tuesday in the month at 7.45pm	Next one Tuesday 10 December
Prayer ministry Between our Sunday morning services	Usually the second Sunday of each month	Next one after the 9.30am service on 8 December
Work Days	Third Saturday of the month – 10am to noon	Next one Saturday 21 December
Saturday Morning Prayers	The day before the Gathering (so always a Saturday!) – 9am	Next one Saturday 30 November

Diary for the week ahead

			CHRIST THE KING
Sun	24 Nov	9.30am	Parish Communion
		10.00am	Christmas Market starts
		11.00am	Together@11
		4.00pm	Carols at the bandstand
		4.30pm	Christmas Lights switch on
		7.00pm	Sunday Home Group
Mon	25 Nov		
Tuesday	26 Nov		
Wed	27 Nov	2.00pm	
		7.30pm	Alpha
Thurs	28 Nov	2.00pm	Thursday Group
		7.15pm	Zoom prayers
Fri	29 Nov	7.00pm	Friday at the King

Sat	30 Nov	9.00am	Saturday Morning Prayers
		10.00am	Gathering set up
			ADVENT SUNDAY
Sun	1 Dec	9.15am	Breakfast
		10.00am	Sunday Gathering
		11.00am	Said Holy Communion
		4.00pm	Pizza Praise
