

WEEKLY BULLETIN ENCOUNTERING, GROWING, PARTICIPATING

OUR FORTHCOMING SERVICES

Sunday 13th April

Palm Sunday

Luke 19. 28-40

Preach: Mike Gillingham

Lead: Fabian Wuyts

Sunday 20th April

Easter Day

Luke 24. 1-12

Preach: Fabian Wuyts

Lead: Mike Gillingham

All Age Service

Holy Communion

NEXT TWO WEEKS

Sunday 27th April

The In-Between Begins

Joshua 1. 1-9

John 20:19-23

Preach: Fabian Wuyts

Lead: TBC

Sunday 4th May

From Doubt to Trust

Exodus 3. 7-15

John 20:24-29

Preach: TBC

Lead: TBC

Holy Communion

Easter @ St James Church TAUNTON. 30th March Mothering Sunday 10.30am A Time to Be Grateful. 13th April Palm Sunday 10.30am What an Entrance. 17th April Maundy Meal 7.00pm Around the Table. 18th April Good Friday 10.00am With Hot Cross Buns & Coffee. 18th April The Last Hour 2pm A Quiet Hour. 20th April Easter Day 10.30am All-Age Celebration! www.stjamestaunton.org

PILGRIMAGE

A journey through Lent with the Psalms

We invite you to join us in a series of gatherings through the season of Lent. The meetings will be held in the side chapel

Thursdays from 10.30am - 12.00 noon
over the six weeks of Lent following
Ash Wednesday Evening Service (7:30pm 5th March)

Each week we shall be offering a taster of Christian meditation prayer with the celebration of a simple communion service in two of the sessions.

Why Psalms?
Many in the Christian tradition treasure the Psalms, not least because they shaped the mind of Jesus of Nazareth, who would almost certainly have known them by heart.

In the New Testament they are quoted more than any other book of the Old Testament. Many of the Psalms were understood as prophetic texts fulfilled in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus, and from its beginnings the church has read the Psalms through the lens of its faith in Jesus as the Messiah.

We hope they will help us to focus our thoughts and prayers as we journey together through Lent.

13th March - Pilgrimage - Psalm 122
20th March* - Prayer - Psalm 1
27th March - Wonder - Psalm 8
3rd April* - The Way - Psalm 119 vs1-8
10th April - Hope - Psalm 46

** these sessions include a simple Holy Communion service*

Those of any faith or none are most welcome to join us for any of these gatherings.


For more information contact either
Lyn - 07772 881463 or Felicity - 075082 87808 or go to:
www.stjamestaunton.org



Maundy Thursday
7:00

**You are invited to a Passover celebration
In church**
**It will include a vegetable soup
followed by a sweet**
Please sign up if you are coming

Have questions? Try Alpha
Alpha is a chance to ask big questions of life and explore the Christian faith in a fun, non-pressurised environment.



Each session includes a short film and a discussion where you can share what you think. We generally try to run three courses each year.
Next course starts 30th April

Our Mission focus for April is **Besom** please keep them in your prayers

The Besom in Taunton
Love. Pray. Give. Go.

HOW WE OPERATE
Referrals
Situations of need are referred to Besom by local social care and support agencies. The Besom in Taunton accepts referrals from professional agencies and charity organisations; anyone in need of help should contact their support agency which may include Citizens Advice Bureau, Village or Community Agents. If you belong to a professional agency or charity and wish to make a referral to Besom, please use the Referrers form.


Time-givers
Time-givers help with the many areas where Besom provides support, including collecting and delivering furniture and household items, cleaning and restoring those items and working on gardening and decorating projects. If you would like to give your time please contact us.

Core Team
The Core Team is responsible for running the day-to-day activities of The Besom in Taunton. The team comprises representatives from churches that support Besom and meets on a monthly basis to pray together and to keep up to date with activities and referrals.



Save the Date!
3rd May
Plants
Coffee
Tabletop sale
Children's crafts
For ACTS UGANDA

Please will you grow/propagate some plants for this event? Please let Sue Carpenter know! Thank you!

EASTER RAMBLE
Bank Holiday Monday 21st April 2025
Meet at Church at 9.45 a.m. to arrange lifts if necessary. We aim to leave the church car park at 10.00 a.m.
The walk will start at the canal side car park at Creech St Michael if any prefer to meet us there.
The walk will be mostly level and suitable for all ages and abilities. Please bring a packed lunch
For more information speak to Johnny Gill



ST JAMES FLOWER DIARY IS OPEN

If you would like to make a contribution to the flower fund for a special date, occasion or simply because you love flowers, you can reserve a date in the diary by speaking to any of the team (Sue, Carole, Annie or Lyn) and they will do the rest!

SUNDAYS 10.30

COME ALONG ANY TIME!

PLAY WE BEGIN AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH EXPLORING A WIDE RANGE OF TOYS

WE HEAD TO THE HALL FOR A BIBLE STORY AND SONG

STORY TIME

CRAFT WE HAVE A VARIETY OF CRAFT ACTIVITIES INCLUDING PAINT, PLAY DOUGH, COLLAGE ...

WE LOVE TO PLAY BOTH INDOOR AND OUTDOOR GAMES TOGETHER

GAMES

SNACK WE ENJOY DELICIOUS SNACKS AND DRINKS

WE CLOSE WITH A REFLECTIVE PRAYER TIME

PRAY

St James Church TAUNTON

THE ROOM
MONTHLY
INFORMAL WORSHIP
MAIN HALL
@ 7.00PM
THIS SUNDAY 13TH APRIL
THEN
FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

THURSDAY FELLOWSHIP

May 1st
John Henden
10 Tips for a More Emotionally Satisfying Week

June 5th
Nick King
"Goats of the Gorge"

July 3rd
Cream Tea

COMMITTEE
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St James Church TAUNTON

Hymns & Tea

Twice monthly, 2nd & 4th Sundays
Hymns & afternoon tea 2:30 – 4:00 pm

All welcome

Lots of hymns you love, accompanied by the church organ, Bible readings, and prayer. A time to praise the Lord Jesus in an informal relaxed manner... followed by light refreshments.

Hymns & Tea

Jan	12 th & 26 th	Jul	13 th & 27 th	
Feb	9 th & 23 rd	Aug	10 th & 24 th	
Mar	9 th & 23 rd	2025	Sep	14 th & 28 th
Apr	13 th & 27 th	Oct	12 th & 26 th	
May	11 th & 25 th	Nov	9 th & 23 rd	
Jun	8 th & 22 nd	Dec	14 th Carols	

at St James Church, St James Street, Taunton TA1 1JS (next to the county cricket ground)

AN EVENING WITH GRAHAM KENDRICK

ACCOMPANIED BY JASON GARTER, HARP GUITAR AND NATASHA PETROVIC, VIOLIN.

TICKETS: WWW.WORSHIPAWAKEN.COM

BOOK EARLY AS THERE IS LIMITED CAPACITY

SATURDAY 10TH MAY 2025

DOORS OPEN 7PM FOR A 7:30PM START

NORTH STREET CHURCH, TAUNTON, TA1 1LW

Hosted by AWAKEN SOMERSET HOUSE OF PRAYER



A Coldplay Candlelight Experience
Taunton Friday 16th May

Taunton • Fri, May 16 • 7:00PM St James Church TA1 1JS

Tickets available here <https://lumoslive.co.uk/events/>

PRAYER



Zoom Morning Prayer

Mondays and Thursdays on Zoom
at 9:15am - 9:45am
Meeting ID: 856 0112 7207
Passcode: 224466



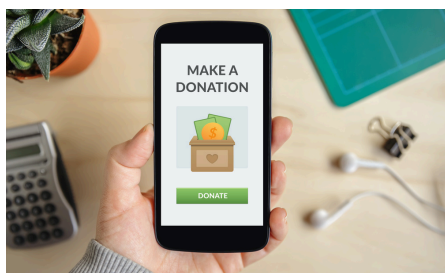
Prayer Space

A new day and time for Prayer
Space coming soon



Prayer for Taunton

St James Church Lounge - More
details from Andy on 01823 274656

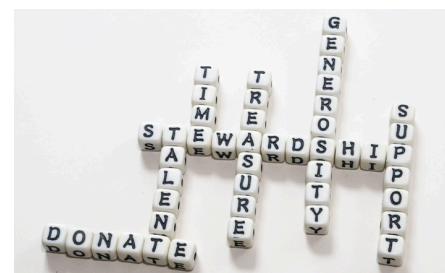


You can now donate electronically
at the door or by clicking the link
below

<https://givealittle.co/campaigns/856sdd91-35b1-4bd2-8007-fe59feb9fdb3>



Cash can be placed in the wall safe
on the right hand side of the church
as you leave or in the collection
plate. You can gift aid donations by
using the yellow forms by the plate.



If you wish to set up regular
monthly giving, please contact
Chris Rickard to set up monthly
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