

WEEKLY BULLETIN

ENCOUNTERING, GROWING, PARTICIPATING

OUR SERVICE THIS SUNDAY

Sunday 9th November

Hearing His comfort

Isaiah 40:1–11

Mark 1:1–5

Remembrance Sunday

Preach Fabian Wuyts

Lead Nigel Bright

NEXT TWO WEEKS

Sunday 16th November

Embracing His redemption

Isaiah 52:13–53:12

Romans 5. 1–11

Preach Richard Carpenter

Lead Fabian Wuyts

Holy Communion

Sunday 23rd November

Joining His mission

Isaiah 49. 8–13

Preach James Haddell

Lead Mike Gillingham

Our Mission Focus for November

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please keep them in your prayers

OUR VISION

Our vision is to see people freed from poverty, living transformed lives, and fulfilling their God-given potential. As more churches get involved and more lives are impacted, we know we need to dream bigger. Our vision is to work with 250,000 churches by 2030, and your support is vital in making this vision a reality.

As we pursue this vision, we have four main focuses:

Meeting emergency needs

We respond quickly to meet immediate needs when crises and disasters hit vulnerable communities.

Mobilising churches

We envision, empower and equip churches to play their part in the development and transformation of their communities.

Transforming communities

We support communities to become resilient to shocks and stresses and work towards a better future for themselves and others.

Changing society

We seek to Influence and change social, political, and economic systems and policies so that the poorest communities can get the services and opportunities they need to thrive.

OUR VALUES

As Christians, we follow Jesus' example. We seek to be Christ-centred, compassionate, courageous, truthful and servant-hearted in everything we do.

OUR MISSION

Our mission is to follow Jesus where the need is greatest, responding to crises and partnering with local churches and organisations to help people lift themselves out of poverty.



FLOWER DIARY

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!

Saturday 15th November
7pm



St James Church Hall
Taunton TA1 1JS

next to the County Cricket Ground

come and join us for a FUN evening. Bring your family, friends & neighbours to join us in teams of 6 (£3 per person)
bring your own refreshments, hot drinks on sale

For tickets ring 01823 272931 or
email info@stjamestaunton.co.uk

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New to St James?

*Our Welcome lunch is on
Sunday 16th November*

12.30pm in the Church

*Why not pick up an invite from
a member of our Welcome Team*



*We invite you to drop in and
Simply Pray*

*Offering a time of contemplative
Prayer through guided meditation and
Reflection in the Chapel*

*Thursday 6 November
7.00pm to 8.30pm*

*All welcome – come along and leave
when its right for you
Please use Hall entrance*

*If you are coming along on the 6th please use
the Hall entrance as this will help with
heating and security. There will be
refreshments available on arrival and do feel
free to leave when it's the best time for you.
We look forward to welcoming you to a time
of Contemplative Prayer through guided
meditation and reflection*

**THURSDAY
FELLOWSHIP
6th November
2pm for 2.30pm**



**A talk by
Mike Gillingham**

*Please remember to pay for
your Christmas meal today*

TIME FOR A PANTOMIME? Oh yes it is!
January 2026 isn't far away- and it will soon be time to book
your seats for the St James Church Pantomime!



St James Players are working their socks off to make this a great
performance for young and old to enjoy and chase away the gloom
of a chilly January
Performance Dates:

Friday 30th January, Saturday 31st January

NEW! Our first ever Sunday Matinee - 1st February 2026

Do talk to Jenny Wakefield, Ruth Crooks, Susie Peeler or Richard
Carpenter to find out more.

When St James does Pantomime it's more than a show, it's the
Church at play, welcoming the whole community with the same
welcome and warmth.



13TH DECEMBER 2025

Jingle Bells

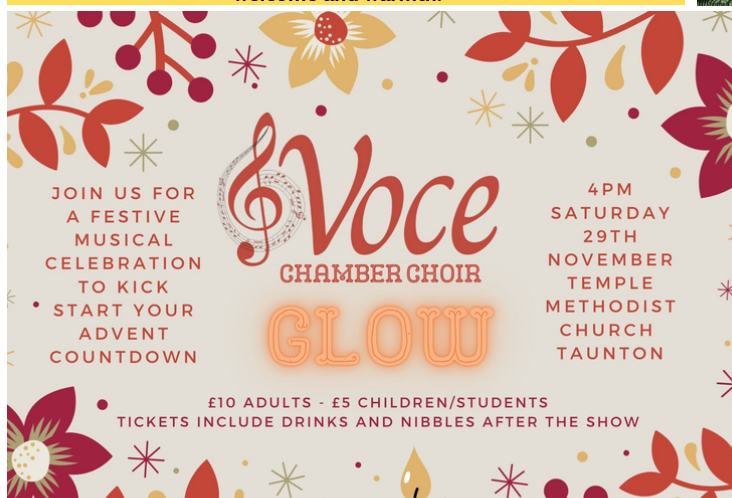


CHRISTMAS
SING-ALONG
PARTY

Vineyard and Friends @
Oakwood Church, O'bridge
Road, TA2 7PU, 6.30pm

A Collection will be taken for
acts-Uganda charity

FREE ENTRY
SALE-TEA,
COFFEE, MULLED
WINE AND
MINCE-PIES



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

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

Hymns & Tea

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

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

St James Church TAUNTON

Art Group

COFFEE MORNING
Saturday
22nd November
10am - 12pm
sale of paintings,
sketches and cards
Come and join us for
Coffee and see what
we get up to on
Wednesday mornings

NHSGiveBlood
Blood and Transplant

ADVANCE WARNING
For those with parking permits or
attending groups in the halls
NHS Blood Donors are here on
TUESDAY
11TH NOVEMBER

Joy to the World
bless our town

Christians please help
Find out more and
how you can help
Share@J2tW.co.uk

12 hours of spreading the Good News of Jesus

10am - 12pm
Month's Silent Treasure Hunt

POSTPONED
New Date TBC

Please email
if you would like info
on how to participate
in 2026

Let's bless our town
Share your offer of help

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

You still have time to fill your shoebox
Roger will be collecting on 9th November.

The next edition of St James' Church Magazine (December 2025 - February 2026) is in preparation. If you have an article for possible inclusion, do send it in. It might be a report of an activity or event, advance notice of an upcoming event, a book review, poem or prayer you have found helpful or a story that illustrates a truth or teaching. Please send your contributions in a Word document if possible – a page in the Mag is around 300-310 words (fewer if there are pix to include). If you have pictures to illustrate your article, send these as separate files (jpeg, tiff, pdf). Send your contributions to the Editor at dancingdoyle@sky.com or through the Church Office. Finally final deadline for copy this time is Tuesday 18 November but earlier would be helpful, and advance notice that something is 'on its way' would also help me plan space.

PRAYER



Zoom Morning Prayer

Topic: St James Morning Prayer
Time: 9.15am
Day: Monday and Thursday
Meeting ID: 891 6439 9113



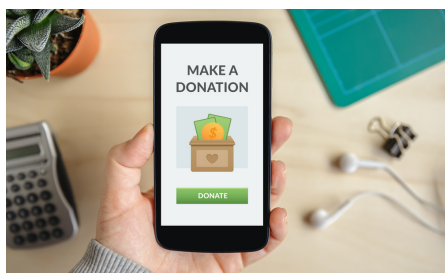
Prayer Space

A new day and time for Prayer
Space coming soon



Prayer for Taunton

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

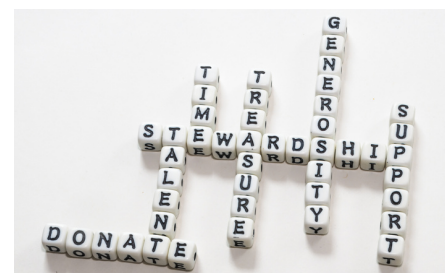


You can now donate electronically
at the door or by clicking the link
below

<https://givealittle.co/campaigns/8565dd91-35b1-4bd2-8007-fe59feb9c9db3>



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
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