



1st November 2020
All Saints' Day

St James' Church
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No visitors at present

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Notices

Contact Magazine

The next issue of our magazine is now being compiled. If you can help with distribution in the parish, please contact Tim Bayton (tim@timbayton.co.uk) as soon as possible, so that all roads can be allocated.

Our St James' Family Finances

After COVID-19 our finances are £9,000 worse than expected. The hall revenue is starting to recover and the diocese has agreed to a reduction in our payments. We pray that we will break even by the year end.

Collect

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

Post-Communion Prayer

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.

This Week

Morning Prayer is said at 8.30 am Mon – Fri

Mon 2nd November Luke 14 vv. 12 – 14
All Souls' Day: An online commemoration of the faithful departed will be available via our website.

Tue 3rd November Luke 14 vv. 15 – 24
Richard Hooker, priest, teacher of the faith, 1600; Martin of Porres, friar, 1639
10.00 am Deanery Chapter meets

Wed 4th November John 14 vv. 25 – 33
12.00 noon Fr Steve: Taking a funeral

Thu 5th November Luke 15 vv. 1 – 10
7.30 pm Fr Brian's house group

Fri 6th November Luke 16 vv. 1 – 8
Leonard, hermit, 6th century
William Temple, archbishop, teacher of the faith, 1944

Sat 7th November Luke 16 vv. 9 – 15
Willibrord, bishop, 739

Next Sunday: 8th November

Remembrance Sunday

3rd Sunday Before Advent

Matthew 25 vv. 1 – 13
8.00 am Holy Communion
10.00 am Parish Eucharist

Sharing God's love through worship, fellowship and service

First Reading: Revelation 7 vv. 9-17

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, 'Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!' And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, singing, 'Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.' Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, 'Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?' I said to him, 'Sir, you are the one that knows.' Then he said to me, 'These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.'

Psalm 34 vv. 1-10

I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall ever be in my mouth. My soul shall glory in the Lord; let the humble hear and be glad. O magnify the Lord with me; let us exalt his name together. I sought the Lord and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears. Look upon him and be radiant and your faces shall not be ashamed. This poor soul cried, and the Lord heard me and saved me from all my troubles. The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him and delivers them. O taste and see that the Lord is gracious; blessed is the one who trusts in him. Fear the Lord, all you his holy ones, for those who fear him lack nothing. Lions may lack and suffer hunger, but those who seek the Lord lack nothing that is good.

Second Reading: 1 John 3 vv. 1-3

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 5 vv. 1-12

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, and he began to teach them, saying: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called sons of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

