

**THIS SUNDAY**29<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY

NEW LIFE

EPHESIANS 2: 1-10

- **8am HOLY COMMUNION (FULMER)** *Martin Williams*
- **9am MORNING WORSHIP (GX)** *Martin Williams*
- **10.45am MORNING WORSHIP (GX)** *Di Rowlandson*
- **11.15 MORNING WORSHIP (FULMER)** *Martin Williams*
- **4pm SUNDAY WORSHIP (GX)** *Di Rowlandson*

**WEEKDAYS  
THIS WEEK**

- **Monday 9.30am GX Prayers**
- **Tuesday 10-11.30am Tiny Tots** (*St James Centre GX*)
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- **Wednesday 8pm Evening Alpha** (*SJ Centre GX*)
- **Thursday 9.30am Morning Alpha with creche** (*SJ Centre GX*)

**NEXT SUNDAY**5<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY

PERFECT UNITY

EPHESIANS 2: 11-22

- **8am HOLY COMMUNION (FULMER)** *Di Rowlandson*
- **9am HOLY COMMUNION (GX)** *James Leach*
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# Weekly News

The 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Epiphany 29<sup>th</sup> January 2017

**Welcome to the two St James.** If this is your first visit to St James or if you've recently joined us, please fill in a Welcome card or simply talk to one of our host team (with lilac badges) so we can invite you to our next Newcomers Coffee in the Rectory. If you are new to the Children's or Youth Ministry we have LOTS going on that you might like to know about! Ask someone on the team/take an info card or look at [saintjames.org.uk/family/children/](http://saintjames.org.uk/family/children/) or [saint-james.org.uk/family/youth/](http://saint-james.org.uk/family/youth/) (click on icons to move around the website for more details)



## Half Night of Prayer

**Half Night of Prayer Date for your diaries:**

On **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February**, in the Saint James Centre, we will be gathering together as the people of God to pray for an evening, as we do each term.

**This term's half-night will be split into 5 sessions:**

- 5.30-6.30pm** Children and families hour
- 7-8pm** Reflective hour
- 8-9pm** Engaging with God using worship, and our Ephesians 3 'shared prayer'
- 9-10pm** Interceding for our world
- 10-11pm** Prayer for healing, and listening for our church

Whilst the first two hours will be largely distinct, the time from 8-11pm will be a continual back-and-forth between worship and prayer, with the 'hours' linking closely together. You can therefore arrive and leave at any point during our time together. This is one of our biggest regular opportunities, as a church community, to engage with God and deepen our love for Him, and to pray for the world He loves; so please do your best to be there!

**...Prayer really does make a difference!**

## Not too late to join Alpha...



**Bring a friend to Alpha, or experience it again on your own.** Alpha started this week at the Saint James Centre on **Wednesday evenings 8pm – 9.45 pm** and **Thursday mornings 9.30am – 11.15 am**. You can still book online: [saintjames.org.uk/alpha](http://saintjames.org.uk/alpha)

**Come along to Christianity Explored** – a follow-up to Alpha, focussing on Mark's gospel. Same place and times as Alpha. Book online: [saintjames.org.uk/alpha](http://saintjames.org.uk/alpha)

**The Word One to One** – meet up with someone one-to-one and work through John's gospel together. A great way to go over the fundamentals of the Christian message at your own pace.

For any of these events contact: Di Rowlandson 886 049 or James Leach 886 480.

**Readings Today @ 8am HOLY COMMUNION (FULMER)**

**First Reading:** 1 Kings 17: 8-16 **page:** 358  
**Second Reading:** Psalm 36: 5-10 **page:** 563  
**The Gospel:** John 2: 1-11 **page:** 1065



## BOOKS...at the Saint James Centre

The eagle-eyed of you will have noticed that the bookshop in the Saint James Centre has been refreshed, and from **10am-1pm each Sunday**, Carol Dixon-Smith, will be on-hand to help with purchases. Recent arrivals include titles, by John Stott, Tom Wright and others, to support the Sermon Series' study of Ephesians and will assist you in personal or group study. They will compliment the short Ephesians Lifegroup booklet available at the Welcome desk in the Centre. Also look for five titles that James Leach described as his 'Desert Island' books in the recent edition of our church magazine: *Connected*.

**Do stop by to say hello and check all the great books we have on offer.**

## PRAYER

### Prayer Diaries:

Pick up a paper copy today after the service or signup for daily prayer emails at [saintjames.org.uk/prayerdiary/](http://saintjames.org.uk/prayerdiary/)

### GX Monday Prayers:

Held **every Monday** in the Saint James Centre at **9.30am**.

### 24/365 Upper Room:

Book for the Upper room in Chalfont St Peter via

[247communityprayerco.uk](http://247communityprayerco.uk)

### Quiet Garden:

The 'Quiet Garden' flows from the example of Jesus' to withdraw to natural places and 'Come to me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest'. We are fortunate to have the original Quiet Garden close by at Park Road, Stoke Poges, SL2 4PG.

Call Noreen Cooper 664273 for more details or see below to check the next date (alt months) : **at 10am on**

**16<sup>th</sup> Mar, 18<sup>th</sup> May, 20<sup>th</sup> Jul, 21<sup>st</sup> Sept, 16<sup>th</sup> Nov 2017.**

## What else is on...

**Finance Officer Job:** A part time role, but could be worked term time. We are looking for someone to join our staff team as Finance Officer. The role includes preparation of both the monthly and year-end financial accounts. You will have previous proven experience of working in a finance function and have excellent computer skills, particularly in accounting packages as well as Word and Excel. Please email Emma on: [emma.mallord@saintjames.org.uk](mailto:emma.mallord@saintjames.org.uk)

**The next Friendship lunches** will be held on **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb**. If you know of someone who might like to be invited, please contact: Ian Browne on 882 250.

**GX Church of England School:** are now approaching a crisis point on several days each week because they do not have enough **midday supervisors** to continue a full operation at lunchtimes. Please consider whether you, or a friend, relative or neighbour are able to support the school by taking on this paid role. The hours are **11.55 – 1.10pm** and we need staff who can work **at least two days each week**. To offer your help or for more information please email the school office on [office@gerrardscross.bucks.sch.uk](mailto:office@gerrardscross.bucks.sch.uk)

**Christian Living** – A course consisting of 10 sessions on aspects of Christian faith and life using video material from St. Paul's Theological Centre at HTB and facilitated by Rev'd James Leach in the Saint James Centre on **Thursday (8pm) or Friday (10am)**. **This course has started, but it is not too late to join!** Book online: [saintjames.org.uk/2016/12/christian-living/](http://saintjames.org.uk/2016/12/christian-living/)

**The next Friday Club (over 18s)** will be on **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> February, 2-4pm at the Saint James Centre**. In addition to our usual fun activities, Kirsty Diers, our resident Chef, will be revealing the art of chocolate—just in time for Valentines Day! So join us for fun on Friday!

[saintjames.org.uk/fridayfun/](http://saintjames.org.uk/fridayfun/)

**Carers@StJames:** Next meeting on **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February from 2-3.30pm**. Lisa Kennett from BucksVision, will be coming to talk about resources available for those who are blind or partially sighted.

**Men's Leadership Breakfast: Fri 10<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30-9.30am.** 'The Mental Toughness of a Leader—part 2'. The Breakfast is open to St James men and their guests. Ph: 07956435025 or email [meyrick.beebee@saintjames.org.uk](mailto:meyrick.beebee@saintjames.org.uk)

**Next Women's Reflections on: Sat 11<sup>th</sup> Feb at 9.30am for coffee and then 10am - 12.15pm.** A morning of worship, prayer, personal testimony and optional creative workshops in the Saint James Centre.

**The Amersham Festival of Music Concert** is to be held on **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February at 8pm at St James Church Gerrards Cross.**

Bach	Piano Concerto in A major
Grieg	Holberg Suite
Bach	Piano Concerto in F minor
Tchaikovsky	Serenade for Strings

To book go to: [www.amershamfestival.org](http://www.amershamfestival.org)  
Telephone bookings phone: 0333 666 3366.  
Tickets for a disabled person: 01494 876465.  
Parking space is limited so do car share if able.

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