

# Weekly News

Palm Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2018

## MISSION OF THE MONTH:

Throughout the year the two St James focus on each of the core missions we support:

### MARCH M of M is:

FamilyLife

Included as part of the Services:

- @ Fulmer 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday and
- @ GX 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday

## PALM SUNDAY: 25<sup>TH</sup> MARCH THE LIFE OF DAVID: SUFFERING

2 SAM 16-18; 18: 33

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

## WEEKDAYS THIS WEEK

- Monday 9.30am GX Prayers  
*(The Saint James Centre, GX)*
- Wednesday 10am Tiny Tots  
**Easter Celebrations**  
*(The Saint James Centre, GX)*



## OFFICE OPENING HOURS OVER EASTER WEEK

As from the 30<sup>th</sup> March through to the 16<sup>th</sup> April, the opening hours for The Saint James Centre will be as follows:

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> March—Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> April  
CLOSED

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April—Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> April  
10am-3pm

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> April  
10am-1pm

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> April  
CLOSED

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> April  
12-12.45pm

Monday 9<sup>th</sup>—Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> April  
10am-3pm

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> April  
10am-1pm

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> April CLOSED

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> April 12-12.45pm

**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 [saintjames.org.uk/family/youth/](http://saintjames.org.uk/family/youth/) (click on icons to move around the website for more details)



## EASTER SERVICES NEXT WEEK

### MAUNDY THURSDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> MARCH

- 7.30 for 8pm Holy Communion Service (GX)

### GOOD FRIDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> MARCH

- 9.30am An Hour at the Cross Service (Traditional) (GX)
- 9.30am An Hour at the Cross Service (Contemporary) (Centre GX)
- 9.30am Children's Hour at the Cross Service (Centre GX)
- 11.15am An Hour at the Cross Service (Traditional) (Fulmer)

### EASTER SUNDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> APRIL

- 8am Holy Communion Service (Fulmer)
- 9am Traditional Easter Day Service (GX)
- 11am Family Services for Easter Day (GX & Centre)
- 11.15am Traditional Family Service for Easter Day (Fulmer)
- 6.30pm Contemporary Easter Celebration with Adult Baptisms (GX)



## Afternoon Tea for Di Rowlandson Today:

Be part of the **Whole Church farewell Afternoon tea** for Di as she leaves us to take up a post as Vicar in Earlham, Norwich. We will be praying for and 'sending' Di at all our services in Gerrards Cross on 25<sup>th</sup> March. From 1-3pm there will be a celebratory 'Afternoon Tea', in the Saint James Centre, GX with presentations at 2.30pm. Donations accepted on the day to go towards the costs of the event. **Di's Licensing Service** will be on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> April at 7pm in Norwich. **Those who showed interest to travel from St James by coach will be contacted directly before the 12<sup>th</sup> April.**

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

First Reading: Psalm 31: 9-16 page: 559

Second Reading: Philippians 2: 5-11 page: 1179

Gospel Reading: Mark 14: 1-11 page: 1020

## PRAYER

### Prayer Diaries:

Pick up a paper copy today after the service or sign up 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.

### Monthly FULMER Discussion/Prayers:

Held first TUESDAY of each month in St James, Fulmer at 9.30am.

### 24/365 Upper Room:

Book for the Upper room in Chalfont St Peter via :

[247communityprayer.co.uk](http://247communityprayer.co.uk)

### Quiet Garden:

The 'Quiet Garden' is a place to withdraw to nature 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 01753 644 273 for 2018 dates.

NEXT DATE:

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> MAY at 10am

### Wider World:

Why not sign up for a daily email from Operation World or download their new FREE app?  
[www.operationworld.org](http://www.operationworld.org)

'Like' Operation World on Facebook

Download 'Prayermate': a new app FREE for both Android and Apple through appshop. It's an excellent tool helping organise your prayers each day and you can nominate Operation World and other charities to be more informed.

## Job Vacancies

We want to continue the great work which Di has been doing by investing additional dedicated resource into these areas. Therefore we are advertising for two new roles, one is a **Self Supporting Clergy role** with a focus on Pastoral Care and Senior Ministry and the second is an **Evangelism and Outreach Pastor** who will help the church and wider community engage in spiritual conversations. You can find further details on our website. Perhaps you know someone who would be suitable to apply... why not send them this link: <http://saintjames.org.uk/about/jobs-and-vacancies/>

## What else is on...

**Prayer Gathering:** to meet and pray for and about the process of appointing our new Rector. The meetings will be held in the Space in the St James Church, GX on:

<i>Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> March</i>	<i>7.30-8.30pm</i>
<i>Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> April</i>	<i>12.15-1pm</i>
<i>Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> April</i>	<i>5.30-6.30pm</i>
<i>Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> April</i>	<i>7.30-8.30pm</i>

And in St James, Fulmer on:

<i>Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April at</i>	<i>7.30-8.30pm</i>
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The usual Monday morning 9.30am prayer meeting at GX will continue to have a time set apart to focus on this area of need over the following months.

**Electoral Roll:** If you worship regularly at the two St James and your name is **not already** on the list of members (called the Electoral Roll), please pick up a form after the service and return to:

**GERRARDS CROSS:** Judith Paterson, 7 Dukes Ride, GX, SL9 7LD.

**FULMER:** Diana Mann, Alvaston, 59 Moreland Drive, GX, SL9 8BE. *Alternatively completed forms can be left at the Church Office.* The deadline for the return of all forms is **1<sup>st</sup> April** in preparation for the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) on **Tues 24<sup>th</sup> April**.

**NEXT Friday Club** is for all adults who are up for some fun activities or simply to chill out and have a coffee, read or chat in our lounge area. Come along on **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> April from 2-4pm**. For more details see the link below:  
[Saintjames.org.uk/fridayfun/](http://Saintjames.org.uk/fridayfun/)

**The next Friendship Lunches** are on **Thurs 12<sup>th</sup>, Mon 16<sup>th</sup> and Thurs 26<sup>th</sup> April**. Please contact: Ian Browne by phone: 882 250 or email: [ianbrowne714@btinternet.com](mailto:ianbrowne714@btinternet.com)

**NEXT Men's Breakfast: on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30am** Topic: 'The 4 Lenses of Leadership'. We'll be watching an interview with Bill Hybels Senior pastor of Willow creek Church. The breakfasts are open to men in the community and new comers are welcome. For details call 07956435025 or email: [meyrick.beebee@saintjames.org.uk](mailto:meyrick.beebee@saintjames.org.uk)

**St James Men's Weekend Away with Bishop Paul Williams on 14-16<sup>th</sup> September 2018.**

The Weekend is an opportunity to enjoy good teaching, good company, good conversations, good food, time to relax and time to be alone. Brochures are available from the St James church GX and Fulmer and in the Saint James Centre.

If you prefer a single room it is suggested you book early:  
[saintjames.org.uk/mensweekend](http://saintjames.org.uk/mensweekend)

**FOCUS 2018—26-31<sup>st</sup> July:** A chance to rest, receive great teaching and enjoy a fun time away with your church family, in the beautiful surroundings of Somerley Estate.

**First timers get 20% off—use FOCUS18NEWBIE and <https://focus.htb.org/tickets/>**

**Slough Homeless Our Concern (SHOC)** would like to thank all those who have given clothing and items over these cold winter months. Your care and practical help has been much appreciated.



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