

St James Church Fordhouses

Monthly Calendar for August 2025



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"Put off and put on" theory"

The 'put off and put on' principle is not just a concept, but a dynamic process that is vital to the growth and sanctification of Christians.

A life that more closely resembles the personality of Christ is the result of an ongoing process of transformation.

To fully experience the fullness of life that Christ offers and to live out their true identities in Him, believers must go through this process.

"Putting off the old self" refers to consciously eschewing the immoral attitudes, desires, and actions that defined a person's life before they came to know Christ.

Putting on Christ entails allowing the Lord to be our armour, embracing Him wholeheartedly, and putting our daily trust in Him through obedience, gratitude, and faith.

Because we have been regenerated as Christians, we have the ability to act differently from the rest of the world. The mindsets we possess have been revitalised. This new self is now in the likeness of God, the image of Christ. Our lives are now under the control of the Holy Spirit, empowering us to embrace the new lives in Christ with confidence and strength.

Prayer - Help me, O Lord, to comprehend and apply these principles of shedding the old self and putting on the new. Amen.



For this month....

Sunday 3rd August: 9:45am Service of the Word

Reading 1: Luke 12: 13 - 21

Reading 2: Romans 6: 8 - 14

9:45am Sunday School for 8-12 year-olds.

Parents with younger children can use the lounge where resources will be provided to use

6:00pm Emmanuel Saloweko's Leaving Service at St Mary's Church

Thursday 7th August

9:30am Thursday Prayer time in the Prayer Chapel

11:00am Coffee Morning at St James Church

Sunday 10th August: 9:45am Holy Communion

Reading 1: Luke 12: 32 - 40

Reading 2: Philippians 3: 7 - 14

9:45am Sunday School for younger children in the lounge

5:00pm Healing Service at St Mary's Church

Thursday 14th August

9:30am Thursday Prayer time in the Prayer Chapel

11:00am Coffee Morning at St James Church

Sunday 17th August: 9:45am Service of the Word

Reading 1: Hebrews 11: 29 - 12: 2

Reading 2: Luke 12: 49 - 56

9:45am Sunday School for younger children in the lounge

Thursday 21st August

9:30am Thursday Prayer time in the Prayer Chapel

11:00am Coffee Morning at St James Church

Sunday 24th August: 9:45am Holy Communion

Reading 1: Hebrews 12: 18 - 29

Reading 2: Luke 13: 10 - 17

9:45am Sunday School for younger children in the lounge

Thursday 28th August

9:30am Thursday Prayer time in the Prayer Chapel

11:00am Coffee Morning at St James Church

Sunday 31st August: 9:45am Café Style Service

Reading 1: Hebrews 13: 1 – 8, 15 - 16

Reading 2: Luke 14: 1, 7 - 14

Future Events to put in your Diary.....

Parish Life Groups

Life Groups will restart in September. There are five Life Groups across the Parish. If you would like to join one, please speak to Rev Taiwo.

Confirmation

If you would like to consider being confirmed, then please speak to Rev Taiwo.

Saturday 6th September – Parish Day of Prayer and Fasting

8:00am – 9:00am The Good Shepherd

1:00pm – 2:00pm St James Church

6:00pm – 7:00pm St Mary's Church

Sunday 14th September

6:00pm Deanery service and Food at St Giles Church, Walsall Street, Willenhall WV13 2ER – open to all.

Thursday 18th September

7:00pm City Wide Prayer at St James Church

Saturday 20th September

10:00am Men's Breakfast at the Parish Hall, Bushbury The topic will be Joseph's Technicolour Coat Part III



Prayer Support Requests

If you would like specific prayers for someone either add them to our prayer board in the entrance, speak directly to Taiwo or Ian Newman our Warden, or why not pop in during the Thursday morning Prayer Time from 9:30am.

We particularly remember in our prayers the Family of Hilda Mayer

“Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer”

And finally ... some words to ponder on

Always keep your words soft and sweet, just in case you have to eat them.

And never put both feet in your mouth at the same time, because you won't have a leg to stand on.

