



Sunday 16th November The Second Sunday before Advent

'Earthly Citizens - Citizenship'

New Today? Welcome!

We would be delighted to keep in touch. Please fill in a Welcome card (from sides people) or contact our Parish Office to be added to our email list.

Our vision:

To see our lives and community transformed and renewed by encountering God and responding to His love in Jesus

Readings	1 Peter 2:13-17; Romans 13:1-7; Mark 12:13-17			
8am	Holy Communion: Revd Andrew Sheard and Revd Clive			
St James	Main			
10am	Holy Communion with Pre-School Group in the Parish			
St James	Office & Youth & Children's groups in the Community			
	Centre: Revd Lizzie Davidson and Revd Clive Main			
	Hymns: 285, 329, 82, 520, 565			
10am	Breakfast Church with Pre-School Group in the Parish			
Parish Hall	Office & Youth & Children's groups in the Community			
	Centre: Revd Bruce Watson and Revd Andrew Sheard			
11am	Holy Communion followed by refreshments: Revd Andrew			
St Thomas à Becket	Sheard and Revd Clive Main			
	Hymns: 234, 419, 480, 295, 490			
5pm	All-in@5: Jacqui Watson and Revd Andrew Sheard			
Parish Hall				
6.30pm	Evensong: Revd Lizzie Davidson and Revd David Muskett			
St Thomas à Becket	Readings: Daniel Ch6; Matthew 13:1-9;18-23			
	Hymns: 449, Psalm 98, Magnificat, Nunc Dimittis, 452, 499,			
	245			
Online service	Church of England online service			
	https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-			
	worship/church-online/weekly-online-services			



THIS WEEK

Monday to Saturday 9:00-9:30am morning prayers on Zoom				
Mon 17 th	12:30-2pm	Anna Café Church – Parish Hall		
Tue 18 th	10am	Babies, Biscuits, and Banter – Parish Office		
	2:30pm	Anna Chaplains visiting Emsworth House Care Home		
Wed 19 th	10am	Holy Communion - St James		
	7:30pm	PCC Meeting – Parish Hall		
Thurs 20 th	9:30-11am	The Ark Toddler Group – Parish Hall		
	11am	Funeral – St Thomas à Becket		
	2pm	Mothers' Union – Parish Hall		
Fri 21 st	10am-12pm	Coffee and Chat – 81 Havant Road, PO10 7LE		
Sat 22 nd	10am-1pm	Christmas Fayre – Emsworth Baptist Church		

Sunday 23rd November 'Christ the King'

Readings	Colossians 1:11-20; Luke 23:33-43			
8am	Holy Communion: Revd Julie Price and James Mant			
St Thomas à Becket				
10am	Confirmation Service with Holy Communion:			
St James	The Right Reverend Dr Jonathan Frost			
11am	Matins: James Mant			
St Thomas à Becket				
4pm	Wild Church: Revd Bruce Watson and Jacqui Watson			
St James Garden				
6:30pm	Reflective Service			
Emsworth				
Methodist Church				
ChurchSuite	Missed the St James 10.00 Service talk – or perhaps want to			
	hear it again? It is available on My ChurchSuite – click on the			
	menu item St James Talks.			

PARISH NEWS

1. Parish Weekend Away 18th-20th September 2026: We are going to the Solent Hotel and Spa Fareham PO15 7AJ. It is comfortable, with great facilities and easy to reach. We are planning a programme with inspiring spiritual input and time to relax and enjoy. Also, a great programme for children and youth. We are very thankful again that costs will be subsidised by the Trinity Trust. Further Details and bookings open Sunday 11th January 2026.

Anna Café Church Monday 17th November at 12:30pm in the Parish Hall: All are 2. welcome to join us for this short service followed by a simple lunch. It is especially suitable for those who maybe older or more frail. 3. Fairtrade goods from Palestine will be on sale at 6, Clovelly Road, Emsworth on Thurs. 20th Nov. from 10.30 to 4.00pm. Come and browse - olive oil, dates, almonds, ceramics from Hebron and olive-wood crosses, nativities, etc, made in Bethlehem. All welcome. Patricia Williamson - p.ivy@tiscali.co.uk tel. 01243 378560 Coffee and Chat on Friday 21st November will be at Dennis Chandler's 81 Havant 4. Road, PO10 7LE from 10am to 12noon. All are welcome. Saturday 22nd November at 8.00 am: Men's Breakfast at The Woolpack, Fishbourne. 5. Speaker: Rico Tice (founder of Christianity Explored). Immanuel Church Chichester organizes these excellent events once a month, with a great range of speakers. Open to all men. Cost: £10. Several of us go from St James, and we usually car-share, leaving Emsworth at 7.30 am. Interested? Contact Clive - clivemain@outlook.com Switching on of the Christmas Lights - Friday 28th November at 5:20pm: Please come 6. along to support and pray at this large community event in Emsworth, led by our clergy. 7. Advent Quiet Morning at Hollybank House Saturday 29th November 9.45am-**1pm:** An opportunity to spend some quiet time in prayer and reflection. There will be a charge of £5 to cover costs including tea/coffee payable in cash on the day. Sign-up sheets in both churches, or contact James Mant 07971 766242 or jamesnmant@gmail.com Advent Service of Light Sunday 30th November 6:30pm at St Thomas à Becket: All 8. welcome. Volunteers needed on Thursday 4th December at 11:30am for an hour in the Parish 9. **Office** to help prepare Christingle bags. All are welcome. 10. Carol singers from Emsworth Churches will be collecting donations for Christian Aid on Saturday 6th December from 10am to 12 noon in Emsworth Square. Come and join us if you can! If you are able to provide any musical accompaniment, please contact Jon Hardcastle on 07759 415840. The Children's Society: Maureen Twitchen will be collecting the donation boxes at the 11. Christingle service on 7th December at 10 am in St James. Thank you for all your help and donations. If you have any questions, please contact Maureen Twitchen on 01243 377747 or 07765 048586 Christmas Bring and Share Lunch will be held on Wednesday 10 December 2025 in St 12. Thomas a Becket Church at about 12 noon. All are welcome. Please put your names on the list at the back of the church. Any queries to Liv Dykes, 01243 372231. Youth Events: Sunday Night Youth – Christmas Escape Room Sunday 14th December 13. 3-4pm in the Parish Hall **Hungry** - Years 9 + 10 – fortnightly on a Thursday at 7 Lapwing Close Youth Alpha - Years 7 + 8 - fortnightly on a Thursday at 7 Lapwing Close **High Tide – Youth Service** – Friday 11th December 7-9pm Cosham Baptist Church please see Facebook to book.

	For more information contact Childrenandyouth@warblingtonwithemsworth.org
14.	The Ark Toddler Group is looking for help from a couple of people who could be called upon when we are short of team. Either to help in the kitchen or with the families. If you think you might be able to help, please contact. Jacqui
15.	FOODBANK: Please DON'T FORGET TO "BRING A TIN" next time you visit either of our churches. Please visit either https://onechurch.fyi/foundation or https://beaconchurchhavant.org.uk/community/beacon-food-bank/ for ideas on what to donate.
16.	The Mission Committee is sad to have report that, after his very positive visit to us at the beginning of September, Luke Brennan , our proposed CMS mission partner, will not be travelling to the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) in the near future, due to his mother's failing health, and instead he will be staying in the UK to care for her. Following the suggestion from CMS, we will be transferring our support to Martin Gordon, Bishop of Goma in the DRC, until we learn of Luke's long-term plans. Please pray for Luke and his mother.

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