

THE WEST MALVERN CHURCH DIARY

THE WEEKLY NEWS-SHEET FOR ST. JAMES' CHURCH, WEST MALVERN

SUNDAY 14th. June, 2026.

The Second Sunday after Trinity.

St. James' Church.

10.30 am Holy Communion.

Rev. Nicholas Menon.

Holy Trinity Church

10.30 am Holy Communion.

#(Livestreamed)

www.youtube.com/c/HolyTrinityandStJamesMalvern

6.30 pm Compline

By Zoom/Phone. Phone: 0330 088 5830

Meeting ID: 831 5452 6968 Passcode: 373520

Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth: send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you: grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

TUESDAY 16th. June, 2026.

St. Richard, Bishop of Chichester. 1253.

(He came originally from Droitwich.)

Thanks be to Thee, my Lord Jesus Christ, for all the benefits which Thou hast given me, for all the pains and insults which thou hast borne for me. O most merciful Redeemer, Friend and Brother, may I know Thee more clearly, love Thee more dearly, and follow Thee more nearly, day by day. Amen.

A Prayer of St. Richard of Chichester.

SUNDAY 21st. June, 2026.

St. James' Church.

10.30 am Morning Worship.

Rev. Becky Elliott.

3.00 pm Orchard Church.

6.00 pm Compline.

Holy Trinity Church.

8.00 am Holy Communion.

10.30 am Morning Worship.

#(Livestreamed)

Lord Jesus, the light of the world, we pray that your light may shine in our lives and in the lives of those we love. In time of anxiety give us faith; in times of suffering give us strength; and at all times give us a quiet trust in your wisdom, and love. Amen.

LOOKING AHEAD

MONDAY 22nd. June, 2026.

7.45 pm – 8.45 pm St James' Church.

QUIET CHURCH – a time of quiet prayer and reflection, led this month by Ian Long.

You will be most welcome to join us.

Please contact Rosemary H if you would like more details. 01684 572497 rosemary.herbert@outlook.com ('Quiet Church' generally takes place on the fourth Monday of each month.)

SUNDAY 26th. July, 2026.

10.30 am **St. James' Church Patronal Festival Service.**

Bishop Hugh (the Bishop of Worcester) will be preaching.)

Do put this special date in your Diary

SATURDAY 19th. and SUNDAY 20th. September, 2026.

An **ARTS and MUSIC FESTIVAL** is being planned for **St. James's Church.**

If you would like more information at this stage, please contact the Vicar.

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH GRAND RAFFLE for their 'Pews to People' Project.

If you would like to buy tickets (£1 each) for the Raffle, please contact Rosemary Herbert. Prizes include a £100 John Lewis voucher, and a Champagne Afternoon Tea for two at Stanbrook Abbey. More details about the Project, and the Raffle, can be found at www.holytrinitymalvern.org.uk The Draw will take place at Holy Trinity's 175th Anniversary Celebrations on Sunday 6th September, 2026.

OUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED

for all those being ordained this Petertide, among them

SARAH ANN MAXFIELD-PHILLIPS

Sarah's home is in West Malvern, and she is to be ordained Deacon by Bishop Philip North in Blackburn Cathedral at 10.30 am on Saturday 27th June. Please remember also in your prayers the community and parish of Broughton, Preston, St. John's Church, St. Martin's Chapel, and St. Peter's Chapel, to whom Sarah is called to serve, and all those who will support Sarah throughout her ministry.

MALVERN HILLS FOODBANK

Updated list: 2-6-26.

(See also: malvernhills.foodbank.org.uk)

Currently, the most-needed items are:

*Tins of: **Garden Peas, **Carrots, **Potatoes (large), **Spaghetti hoops; **Tomato Ketchup; **Dry Rice (500g & 1kg); **Jars of Jam; **Custard (tins/cartons); **Jars of Coffee (200g & *100g); **Toothbrushes and Toothpaste (Adults & Children); **Disposable razors.*

Thank you so much for your help.

A PRAYER FOR PEACE

God of peace, whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom and restored the broken to wholeness of life: look with compassion on the anguish of the world, and by your healing power make whole both people and nations; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

FURTHER SUGGESTIONS FOR PRAYER

For every aspect of the life & work of our Church of St. James, of Holy Trinity Church & Parish, of the Beacon Elim Church, Regents College, & the Elim International Centre, & for all the Christians of West Malvern:

for the Rev. Becky Elliott, our Vicar, & for Jamie, Hannah & Tom, & their wider family;

for David & Stephen, our Churchwardens, for Sarah, our deputy Warden, & all who share in the life, worship, ministry & mission of our Church, & for God's help in becoming the Church he wants us to be, in which all who come feel welcome, & where we can share the many & varied gifts he has given us;

for the Pilgrim Path Project, & the Local History Room Project;

for God's blessing & guidance as we make plans for the St. James's Arts & Music Festival in September;

for our sister Church of Holy Trinity, & for the Parish in which they serve;

for the finances of our Churches, thinking especially of the Ministry Share;

for all those who help to care for our Church buildings & their contents, & for our Churchyards;

for our CMS Mission Partner Bishop Martin Gordon in his work with the people of Goma in DR Congo;

for the people suffering from Ebola in the DRC & Uganda, & for those caring for the sick, & working to contain the outbreak;

With Churches Together in Malvern:

for the work of CTiM, & for the leaders & people of all our local Churches;

for the Malvern Hills Foodbank, & local Community Fridges, & for every aspect of the work of the Lyttelton Well;

for the preparations for Lifepath at Great Malvern Priory (22nd – 26th June), for all the leaders & helpers, & for the Primary School children who will be participating;

for the work of 'Malvern Welcomes', in supporting refugee families in our area;

With the Diocese of Worcester:

for the Church of England & the Anglican Communion, for Archbishop Sarah, Archbishop Stephen, & all the bishops of the Church of England, for Bishop Hugh & Bishop Martin & our own Diocese, for Dean Stephen, & our Cathedral, for our Archdeacons Nikki & Mark, & all our clergy

& people, especially those in Worcester Deanery;

For God's children throughout the world, & for peace & healing, justice & reconciliation, & co-operation among the nations;

for King Charles III, for Queen Camilla, the Prince & Princess of Wales, & their children, for Prince Harry & his family, & for all the Royal Family;

for God's wisdom & guidance for our Prime Minister, Cabinet members, & all members of the House of Commons & the House of Lords, & for all the other leaders & people of our nation;

for the financial anxieties of our country, & of the wider world, & for all who are living in poverty, & in special need of financial help & support;

for the members of our armed forces, & their families, at home & abroad, & for all who work for peace, & help to support people in great need;

for God's wisdom & guidance for the UN, & NATO, & for all the leaders of the European nations, & those of the wider world, in working together, & in finding the way forward for countries in need of peace;

for President Donald Trump, & for all the leaders & people of the USA;

for President Zelensky, & President Putin, & all the leaders & people of Ukraine, & Russia, & for their Churches;

for the situation in the Middle East, especially in Iran, & Lebanon, & for the leaders & people of Iran, Gaza & the West Bank, & Israel, Lebanon, Yemen, & other

Middle Eastern countries affected by the conflict;

for God's help regarding the situation in the Strait of Hormuz;

for Sudan, DR Congo, Nigeria, & Afghanistan;

for refugees in West Malvern, & in the wider Malvern area, & for their hosts, & for all refugees, asylum seekers & immigrants, & those who work in the immigration system;

for men, women & children throughout the world caught in the midst of conflict, or suffering through disaster, violence, famine, sickness, poverty, persecution, exploitation, or racial injustice;

for all who are persecuted for their faith;

that people of different races & nations, faiths & cultures, may learn to live in peace & harmony, understanding & mutual respect;

for prisoners, captives, & hostages, & their families, & for those who work in prisons, thinking especially of HMP Hewell & HMP Long Lartin, in our Diocese;

for all victims of violent crime, & their families & friends, & for those who commit such crimes;

for people who are homeless, & those who work to help them;

for wisdom in caring for all God's creation, & in dealing with the causes & effects of climate change;

For our families & friends & neighbours, for people of all ages in our Village

Community, & for all its Groups & Organisations:

for our Village School community: the children & their families, the Headteachers & Staff, the Governors, the PTA, & all who care for the well-being of the school;

for young people who are sitting public exams this month;

for our Village Shop, & the Sugarloaf Café, for the H2O café at the Wyche, & for the Brewers Arms;

For people who are ill or troubled, particularly in our village, & others known to us, & for their families & all who care for them:

in thanksgiving for the NHS, & for God's help at this very difficult time, & for our local medical & dental surgeries, opticians, hospitals, hospices, nursing & care homes, & for the Emergency Services;

for those who are suffering mental health problems, & for all who are lonely or afraid, or feel that they don't 'belong';

for people who mourn the loss of loved ones.

May the God of peace fill us with all joy and hope in believing. Amen.

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