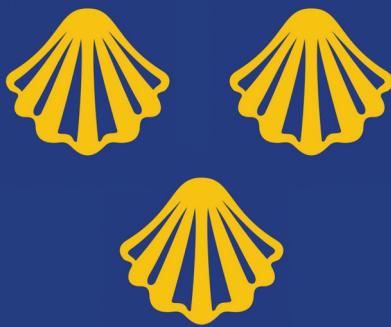


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COVER SHOT: Our congregation taking part in Jonathan's Nativity Story.

# Churchwarden's Message

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Dear friends,

As we move through February and into March, we find ourselves in an interesting moment in the Church's year. We begin in the season of Epiphany and gradually move towards Lent. It is a time of transition, both spiritually and naturally, and one that invites us to pause and take notice.

Epiphany is about light and revelation. It reminds us that God is often revealed quietly, not always in dramatic moments, but through steady presence and gentle insight. Over these weeks, the gospel readings speak of calling, growth, and people beginning to understand more fully who Jesus is and what it means to follow him. Epiphany encourages us to look again, to notice where God is at work, sometimes in ways we did not expect.

As Epiphany gives way to Lent, the focus begins to shift. Lent is often misunderstood as a sombre or joyless season, but at its heart it is about preparation. It is a time to reflect, to simplify, and to make space for God. Like a gardener pruning back in readiness for new growth, Lent invites us to prepare our hearts for what is to come.

This movement through the Church year mirrors what we see around us in the natural world. Winter does not suddenly become spring overnight. Instead, there are small signs that change is coming. A little more daylight. A hint of green where there was none before. Life stirring beneath the surface, even when the ground still feels cold and quiet.

Church life is often like that too. Much of what truly matters happens quietly. Faith grows through steady worship, familiar prayers, kind conversations, and people continuing to show up week by week. These ordinary acts of faithfulness are where God does much of his work.

As we look ahead to the coming months, the Church season reminds us that this is a time not just of waiting, but of readiness. Whether changes come quickly or slowly, Lent encourages us to be spiritually prepared, rooted, and attentive. It asks us to consider how we listen, how we pray, and how we care for one another as a community.

## Churchwarden's Message continued...

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Spring will come in its own time, just as Easter always follows Lent. Until then, we continue faithfully, trusting that God is at work even when we cannot yet see the full picture.

As we journey through these weeks, I am reminded of these words:

“Those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength.”  
Isaiah 40:31

May this season of Epiphany and Lent be a time of gentle growth, renewed strength, and hopeful preparation for us all.

With every blessing,

Jonathan

## Easter Services at St James

Thanks to the efforts of Maree Fiddler, we are able to offer the following services at St James during the Easter period:

**Good Friday:** Service at 11.00am in Church with David Ward followed by lunch in the Church Hall and the traditional Walk to Harrock Hill.

**Easter Sunday:**

Service of Holy Communion at 10.30am with David Ward

Everyone is welcome at all the Easter events.



# Mothers' Union

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As another year drew to an end it was time for our Christmas Party once more, the Jacobs Join, the Secret Santa and the Christmas Carols. Again, it was a relaxing evening, plenty of good food thanks to all members for the variety, a good natter and a good sing. Cards exchanged and good wishes for the coming festivities. Thank you for your support throughout 2025.

2026 began as usual with our Hot Pot lunch together with vegetables, beetroot and pickled onions, followed by a choice of three plate fruit pies and cream and the inevitable cup of tea (or coffee for those who preferred). A big thank you to Joan who made the Hot Pot this year and to Josie who provided the vegetables.

To Dorothy for the fruit pies and cream. A big thank you also to those who helped serve the meal and clear the pots away afterwards.

After the meal we held our AGM, there were 18 attendees and 4 apologies. Copies of last years minutes were handed out and there being no comments, the minutes were signed as agreed by all. I read out my report for the meetings during 2025, followed by Joan's financial report for the same period. We had a better year last year, thanks to Dorothy's selection of excellent speakers, some of whom only required a donation towards the Charity they supported.

Consequently, we were able to approve a payment to the Church for the lighting and heating in the Church Hall.

When it came to the section of election of officers, once again there was no-one volunteering to take over the Leadership of the branch this year. Myself, Joan and Dorothy have all enjoyed the service we have been able to give to Mothers Union, but we have held these positions for 13 years and unfortunately age catches up with you and the pressures of responsibility become greater. We have given this decision careful consideration but regrettably have decided to continue for this year only and we will resign the positions in December 2026. Meanwhile the year will continue working as planned. We are still meaning to remain members of the Mothers Union if the Branch can continue under new leadership.

I have agreed to speak to someone at Chorley Deanery to see where Wrightington Mothers Union goes from here and to arrange for someone to come and speak to the members.

God Bless

Marie

# From our Remembrance Book for February

*In Loving Memory of*

1st	Elizabeth Ivy Walkden
1st	Thomas Anderton Blackburn
1st	Ellen Silcock
3rd	Catherine Huyton
4th	Francis Richard Sharrock
5th	James Strange
5th	Joseph Walker
6th	Harry Rutter
6th	Jean Chapman
6th	Evelyn Peggy Waugh
7th	Ellen Clementson
7th	Ellen Hilton
8th	Bessie Norris
8th	Margaret Taylor
8th	William Allan Carr
8th	Richard Stringfellow
8th	Elizabeth Stringfellow
10th	Ernest Westhead
11th	Christine Smith
13th	David Owen
14th	Gordon Earl
14th	David Littlefair
15th	Alice Jolley
16th	Sheila Blacklock
16th	Alice Marian Tattersall
17th	Terry Tasker
18th	Beryl Shaw
18th	Peggy Norris
21st	Vera Turner
21st	Susan Lancelotte
22nd	Betty Taylor
24th	Margaret Walker
25th	Doris Alice Gregson
27th	James Rushton
27th	Hubert Bryan Taylor
27th	Beatrice Rose Bowling
28th	David Rowley



# From our Remembrance Book for March

*In Loving Memory of*

1st	Eveline Miles		
1st	Philip Anthony McKinnon	20th	Alan Carr
2nd	Walter Rothwell	21st	Thomas Green
2nd	Peggy Kinder	22nd	Rev. John Andrew
3rd	Margaret Johnson	22nd	Ronald Slater
3rd	Wilfred Gregson	22nd	Beatrice Wilcock
4th	Helen Curtis	22nd	Claire Hodgson
5th	Gene Rogers	24th	Joan Davies
5th	Harold Taylor	25th	Ethel Wadsworth
8th	Ann Holding	25th	Francis Arthur Hailwood
10th	Allan Sharples	26th	Elizabeth Clayton
10th	Lilian Spedding	27th	Fred Spedding
11th	Peggy Bibby	29th	Michael Bullivant
12th	Norman Jones	29th	Robert Ross
12th	Stanley Wright		
13th	Peter Ashworth		
13th	Christopher Harper		
14th	Harry Stringfellow		
17th	Joseph Wilcock		
17th	William Fiddler		
17th	Marion Goulding		
17th	William Lawrie		
18th	Tom Green		
19th	Roger Gilder		
20th	Robert Green		

If you would like a name added to the Remembrance Book, please contact the Vicar or Churchwarden

# Family Purse

DATE	STEWARDSHIP	GIFT AID	S.ORDERS	LOOSE PLATE
16 Nov	108.80	96.00		19.27
23 Nov	27.40	46.00		56.91
30 Nov	26.00	88.00	922.28	26.97
7 Dec	125.00	69.00		32.67
14 Dec	55.00	96.50		138.00
21 Dec	90.00	139.70		46.66
24 Dec	20.00	25.00		81.50
25 Dec		4.00		8.00
28 Dec	91.00	15.00	992.28	37.90
<b>2026</b>				
4 Jan	25.00	94.00		7.00
11 Jan	81.30	61.00		28.05

## Acknowledgements

**The PCC would like to thank all those who have kindly made donations to St James' Church**

19 Oct	In memory of our friend, Brian Leach, from Syd and Mavis – 25.00
4 Dec	From Rev Sue Timmins (payment for funeral service of George Osborne) – 116.00
7 Dec	In Loving Memory of my wife Kath Huyton, from Dave and family – 20.00
7 Dec	In memory of my wife Marion Campbell from Arthur – 500.00
21 Dec	From John Gregory – 20.00
<b>2026</b>	
12 Jan	36 Club winnings donated by Syd and Mavis Johnson – 20.00

## Graveyard Donations

7 Dec	In loving memory of my wife Kath Huyton, from Dave and family – 20.00
7 Dec	In memory of my wife Marion Campbell from Arthur Campbell – 100.00
21 Dec	Anonymous donation – 40.00
21 Dec	In memory of the Johnson family of Heskin from Syd and Mavis – 200.00
21 Dec	Attic sale – 150.00
<b>2026</b>	
12 Jan	36 Club winnings donated by Edith Nicholson – 20.00

36 Club Draw November 2025

PRIZE	TICKET NO	NAME
£50	4	Tom Norris
£40	30	Keith & Joanne Green
£30	1	Joan & Barry King
£20	103	Ken Green
£20	87	Eric Clementson

# 36 Club Draw December 2025

PRIZE	TICKET NO	NAME
£100	66	Christine Robinson
£50	112, 8, 48, 25, 52	Mary Swire, Doreen Hoddinott, Rachael Baron, Janet Marsh, John Fowler
£40	101, 68, 100, 6, 110	Carol Hodgkinson, Chris Charlton, Paul Holding, The Clementson Girls, Philip Walters
£30	24, 137, 19, 50, 18	Helen Orme, Elaine Nelson, Brenda Carr, Rob Evans, Pauline Chick
£20	54, 103, 117, 27, 143	Syd Johnson, Ken Green, John Carr, Edith Nicholson, Barbara Jones

Please see Sue Wild if you wish to join the scheme

# From the Registers

# HOLY BAPTISM

## **“We welcome you into the Lord’s Family”**

14 Dec Romi Evelyn Mary Headen

## CHRISTIAN BURIAL

**“May the Souls of the Faithful Departed Rest in Peace”**

4 Dec George Kenneth Osborne

21 Nov Alan Davies aged 96 (burial of Ashes to be at St James, date to be notified)

*Here is the next thrilling episode of the History of our area by Jonathan Ormesher*

## **FAITH AND VALOR: A CIVIL WAR SAGA OF WRIGHTINGTON, HESKIN & TUNLEY**

### *Episode 6: Dawn of Peace*

Wrightington & Wigan - August 1651. Two years had passed since the execution of King Charles I. England was a republic under Parliament's iron rule, but unrest still simmered. In the summer of 1651, Royalist hopes rekindled when Charles II - the late King's exiled son - marched south with a Scottish army to reclaim his throne. Lord Derby returned to Lancashire from the Isle of Man, calling on old loyalists for one final effort.

At Wrightington Hall, John Molyneux pleaded with his son. "We have lost so much, James. Must you go again to war?" his voice trembled with fear and sorrow. James gripped the hilt of his sword - the same blade he had dropped at Preston. "Father, our true King needs loyal men. I gave my word long ago," he replied softly. In truth, his heart was conflicted. The flames of vengeance that once drove him had cooled. But duty and honor - and the memory of his murdered kin - compelled him to fight once more.

James joined the Earl of Derby's small force as it moved toward Wigan to rally support.

By late August, they faced a column of Parliamentarian troops under Colonel Robert Lilburne. The two forces met on the wooded lane north of Wigan at dusk. Outnumbered and ill-equipped, the Royalists were desperate but determined. James found himself riding beside Sir Thomas Tyldesley, a gallant Cavalier officer who had survived many battles. Tyldesley gave James a grim smile as they drew their swords. "For the King - and for England," the older knight declared. James nodded, steeling himself with a final silent prayer.

The Battle of Wigan Lane erupted in a fury of pistols and sabers amid gathering twilight.

Royalist horsemen crashed into the Parliamentarian flank, briefly scattering their musketeers. James stayed close to Tyldesley as they wheeled to charge again. In the melee, figures blurred in shadow and gun-smoke. James parried a thrust from a green-coated Parliamentarian and countered, wounding the man who fell with a cry. But more Roundhead cavalry poured in, encircling the Royalists.

Suddenly, Sir Thomas Tyldesley lurched in his saddle with a musket ball through the chest. He toppled to the ground not far from James. "Sir Thomas!" James shouted. He spurred his horse forward, slashing wildly to reach the fallen knight. Tyldesley lay motionless on the bloodied cobbles of the lane. Shock and anger swelled in James - another noble life lost in this endless strife.

Before he could react further, a Parliamentarian trooper rushed at James with a raised sword. James parried, and the two men crashed to the ground grappling. They rolled on the muddy lane, panting and desperate. James finally gained the upper hand, wrenching the sword from the soldier's grasp and pressing his blade to the man's throat. In the fading light, he saw the soldier's face clearly - no older than himself, eyes wide with terror. The young Roundhead trembled beneath the blade. "God save me... I yield!" he gasped, expecting death.

James's muscles tensed. Here was the enemy at his mercy - how easy it would be to drive the steel home, to avenge Mary, Father Brennan, and all the fallen. His hand shook as he thought of all the blood spilled on his account. The soldier squeezed his eyes shut, whispering a prayer James recognized: "...forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us..."

The familiar words of the Lord's Prayer pierced James's wrath. In his mind flashed an image of little Mary, her face innocent and peaceful, and his father's broken plea: "Do not become like them." James drew a long breath. Slowly, he lifted his sword away from the prone soldier's neck.

"Go," he said hoarsely, pulling the man to his feet. The Parliamentarian opened his eyes in disbelief. "Get out of here. Go home." James released him and shoved the surrendered sword back into the young man's hands. With a choking sob of relief, the soldier stumbled backward, then turned and ran into the darkness among the trees. Around James, the battle was ending in disaster for the Royalists. Lord Derby's forces were shattered and in retreat. The Earl himself lay wounded not far off, being helped by a few loyal men as they fled the field. The King's last hopes in Lancashire were collapsing. But James felt a strange calm amid the chaos. He had spared an enemy, choosing mercy where once he would have sought vengeance. In that moment on the blood-stained lane, the war within his soul had found its truce.

With the Royalist army broken, James slipped away through the woods. Bruised and exhausted, he made his way back toward Wrightington under cover of night. A few days later, news spread that Charles II's outnumbered forces had been decisively defeated at the Battle of Worcester. The Civil War - at least this chapter of it - was truly over. There would be no miraculous victory for the young King in exile.

One crisp September morning, James and his father walked together up a gentle slope on their estate. Under a yew tree at the crest stood two simple wooden crosses marking Mary's and Father Brennan's graves. The wounds of war ran deep, but John and James knelt side by side and prayed for the souls of their departed - and for the souls of friend and foe alike.

As John prayed aloud, "...and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us," James whispered those words with him, his heart finally understanding their weight. He asked God silently to forgive Colonel Rigby and all who had caused their family pain. Tears of release wet his cheeks - not of sorrow this time, but of healing. In forgiving, he felt the chains that had bound him fall away.

John placed a hand on his son's shoulder. Both men rose and gazed eastward, where the morning sun was breaking over the Lancashire fields. The worst of the fighting was over, and though the nation remained under Cromwell's Commonwealth for now, peace of a sort had returned to Wrightington, Heskin, and Tunley. Families began rebuilding homes and lives, determined to move forward.

In the weeks that followed, James helped his father quietly restore their little chapel that had been burned. Though Catholic worship was still officially outlawed, the Molyneux family found ways to gather in faith with a few trusted neighbors. Each Sunday at dawn, James lit a candle at the chapel's altar for Mary and all the fallen. He had discovered that true victory was not in vanquishing enemies on the battlefield, but in reclaiming his own soul from hatred.

That autumn, on a tranquil Sunday, James stood outside Heskin Hall after prayers, watching golden sunlight filter through the oak trees. The air was cool and still. His mother and father chatted quietly with neighbors, and a few children laughed as they chased each other through the fallen leaves. It was an ordinary scene of life carrying on - something precious that war had nearly stolen from them.

Though scars remained on the land and in their hearts, James felt hope take root anew. Faith, tempered by trials, had guided him through the darkness. As church bells in a distant village pealed for midday, James lifted his gaze to the clear blue sky. He breathed deeply, the air full of promise. In that peaceful moment, he understood that God's purpose had been with him all along - in mercy given and mercy received. Despite all the loss and sorrow, he had gained something precious: a heart free to forgive and a land free from war. It was not

the victory he once sought, but it was victory nonetheless - a victory of the spirit that would light the path ahead for Wrightington, Heskin, Tunley, and all of England's tomorrow.

The end.

# Diary for February 2026

1		<b>FOURTH SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY</b>	
		9.00am	Holy Communion with David Gaskell
		10.30am	Holy Communion with David Ward
		5.00pm	30@5
4	Wed	10.30am	Play & Praise Toddler Group
8		<b>THE SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE LENT</b>	
		9.00am	Holy Communion TBA
		10.30am	Holy Communion - David Gaskell
		5.00pm	30@5
9	Mon	2.00-4.00pm	Craft & Chat
10	Tues	7.30pm	Mothers Union - Home Start with Kerry Molineux
11	Wed	10.30am	Play & Praise Toddler Group
13	Fri	3.30pm	Heskin School closes for half term
15		<b>THE SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE LENT</b>	
		9.00am	Holy Communion – David Gaskell
		10.30am	Holy Communion – David Ward
		12.00 noon	36 Club Draw
		5.00pm	No 30@5
17	Tues	7.00pm	PCC Meeting in the Church Hall
18	Wed	10.30am	No Play & Praise Toddler Group
18	Wed	6.30pm	Ash Wednesday Service – David Ward
22		<b>FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT</b>	
		9.00am	Holy Communion TBA
		10.30am	Holy Communion - David Gaskell
		5.00pm	No 30@5
23	Mon	9.00am	Heskin School opens following half term
23	Mon	2-4.00pm	Craft & Chat
23	Mon	7.00pm	The Vineyard @ 398 Mossy Lea Road
25	Wed	10.30am	Play & Praise Toddler Group

# March 2026

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## SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

9.00am      Holy Communion – David Gaskell  
10.30am     Holy Communion - Alex Baker  
5.00pm      30@5

4

Wed

10.30am     Play & Praise Toddler Group

6

Fri

2.30pm      World Day of Prayer Service at  
All Saints Church Appley Bridge

8

## THE THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

9.00am      Holy Communion – Pat Belshaw  
10.30am     Holy Communion TBC  
5.00pm      30@5

9

Mon

2-4.00pm     Craft & Chat

10

Tues

7.30pm      Mothers Union – Sewing Bee  
with Angie Fletcher

11

Wed

10.30am     Play & Praise Toddler Group

15

## THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

### MOTHERING SUNDAY

9.00am      Holy Communion – Alex Baker  
10.30am     Holy Communion - David Gaskell  
12.00        36 Club Draw  
5.00pm      30@5

17

Tues

7.00pm      PCC Meeting in Church Hall

18

Wed

10.30am     Play & Praise Toddler Group

22

## THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

9.00am      Holy Communion TBC  
10.30am     Holy Communion - David Gaskell  
5.00pm      30@5

23

Mon

2-4.00pm     Craft & Chat

23

Mon

7.00pm      The Vineyard @ 398 Mossy Lea Road

25

Wed

10.30am     Play & Praise Toddler Group

27

Fri

2.00pm      Heskin School closes for Easter

28

Sat

                 CLOCKS GO FORWARD ONE HOUR

29

## PALM SUNDAY

9.00am      Holy Communion TBC  
10.30am     Holy Communion - David Gaskell  
5.00pm      No 30@5

# *Thank you from St James*

There are lots of people and groups to say thank you to as we close our Chritmas period here at St James. To David and Norma Lawson for the gift of the Christmas tree and to the wonderful group of men who manfully carried it into church and mounted in its stand in what was appalling weather.

To the willing group who risk life and limb to decorate the tree (it was a long way up to the top on very high ladders), to the same group who decorate the church hall for the various Christmas events and to those who met to create the lovely decorations to each of the church windows, font and altar.

To the amazing team who meet each year to make Christingles during a very busy week of the year and to Toogood Farm shop for supplying over and above the number of oranges.

And finally to that regular group of our church community who dismantle the decorations in both the church hall and the church when Christmas is over.

We have had lots of wonderful comments from our visiting clergy and I'm sure you will agree that all this hard work is really appreciated and adds to the loveliness of our church and buildings.

Sue Crawford





*Let all that you do be done in Love.*  
**1 Corinthians 16:14**

A school family built on Love, strengthened by Faith and enriched by Joy.

Hello from everyone at Heskin Pemberton's.

The children and staff had an extremely busy, exciting and rewarding time in the run-up to Christmas. We sang at the St. James The Great's Christmas Fair, performed our Nativity play three times, led our school's Advent Service at Church, had a wonderful visit from Santa, delivered special hand-made Christmas cards for people in our local community and care homes, sang carols at the village store and Heskin Hall, collected gifts for children less fortunate than ourselves, participated in the Nine Lessons & Carols Service, had two 'naughty' elves cause chaos in school and went to the theatre to watch the Pantomime, Beauty & The Beast- Oh no we didn't! Oh, yes we did!

Blimey! What an amazing time we had!

As always, our sports teams have been busy bunnies! Our Class 4 athletics team and our Class 3 athletics team both competed in the Chorley & District Indoor Athletics Competition, organised by Chorley Schools Sports Partnership. Each athlete had to compete in a number of track and field events, with their times and distances earning points for our school teams. Competing against other small schools, both teams finished in first place in their respective heats. We now have a tense wait to find out the results of the remaining heats to see if we have made it through to the regional finals later this year. Whatever happens, I am so proud of all of our amazing athletes and the wonderful way they represented school.



Well done, everyone!



Finally, I am delighted to announce that we have a brand new addition to our Heskin family. At the start of the new year, we heard the fantastic news that Miss Beatty had become the proud mummy of baby Francesca (Frankie). Frankie weighed 7ibs and 12ozs when she was born and Mummy Beatty and her beautiful baby are both doing extremely well. I'm sure you'll join with me in sending the whole family our congratulations and our very best wishes for the future.

I hope you've enjoyed reading about the fun and enjoyment we all share at Heskin Pemberton's. Please feel free to visit our website if you would like to know more about our school. [www.heskinpembertons.co.uk](http://www.heskinpembertons.co.uk)

Love, prayers & best Wishes,

Alan Brindle

Head Teacher

# Spaghetti with Mushrooms, Tomatoes and Walnuts

*This recipe comes from a Cookbook called WI meals for One from the late Jean Norris who we remember as being a marvellous cook, just double up the quantities for more than one.*

## Ingredients

25 grams walnuts – coarsely chopped  
1 tsp lemon juice  
1 teaspoon of oil  
55 grams dried spaghetti or 80 grams fresh spaghetti  
½ chopped onion  
Small clove of garlic – finely chopped (optional)  
1tbsp fresh chopped parsley  
1 tomato quartered and sliced seasoning to taste  
55 grams button mushrooms halved

## Method

1. Dry fry the walnuts over a medium heat for 2-3 minutes.  
Remove from the pan
2. Heat the oil and fry the onion and garlic for 2-3 minutes until softened but not browned
3. Add the tomatoes, mushrooms and lemon juice to the onions.  
Cover and simmer gently for about 10 minutes
4. Cook the spaghetti according to the manufacturers instructions
5. Add the walnuts and parsley to the sauce and season to taste
6. Drain the spaghetti. Serve onto a plate and toss the sauce into it.

Enjoy

# Amended Christmas Carols Quiz Answers –

Apologies for errors in previous magazine for answers 6-12

Hope you enjoyed the challenge!

1. Deck the halls
2. Silent Night
3. I saw three ships
4. The Holly and the Ivy
5. We three Kings
6. Ding dong merrily on high
7. O Come O Come Emmanuel
8. It came upon a midnight clear
9. Away in a manger
10. O come all ye faithful
11. Joy to the World
12. Angels from the realms of glory
13. Hark the Herald angels sing
14. See amid the winters snow
15. Good King Wenceslas
16. Once in Royal David's City
17. Away in a Manger
18. The First Nowell
19. Christians Awake, salute the happy morn
20. O Little Town of Bethlehem

# ST JAMES CHURCH FAIR

**We have the final total for our Christmas Fair, held in November of last year. We raised a magnificent total of £2774.38, thank you everyone who supported this event in any way.**

**Special thanks must go to Alice Haworth who raised £640 from the sale of Grave Pots. This represents a huge amount of work by Alice and we are most grateful for her support.**



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3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday before Lent	A Sharples	M Fiddler	P Wellby	C Pass
8 <sup>th</sup> February	TBC	TBC	D Hoddinott	J Dearden
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday before Lent	J Fowler	S Crawford	S Crawford	M Barlow
15 <sup>th</sup> February	G Speakman	C Pass	A Sharples	D Hoddinott
Sunday before Lent	P Britton	A Sharples	M Taylor	C Heydon
22 <sup>nd</sup> February	TBC	TBC	J Crompton	J Robinson
First Sunday of Lent	J Crompton	E Nelson	P Wellby	S Wild
1 <sup>st</sup> March	M Morris	M Morris	P Rowley	M Walsh
Second Sunday of Lent	P Rowley	E Gerrard	E Gerrard	S Crawford
8 <sup>th</sup> March	M Rowley	M Mason	D Hoddinott	P Waring
Third Sunday of Lent	M Barlow	J Fowler	M Taylor	J Crompton
15 <sup>th</sup> March	G Speakman	C Pass	S Crawford	M Green
Fourth Sunday of Lent	A Sharples	M Fiddler	A Sharples	C Pass
Mothering Sunday				
22 <sup>nd</sup> March	TBC	TBC	P Wellby	J Dearden
5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent	J Fowler	S Crawford	E Gerrard	M Barlow
29 <sup>th</sup> March	TBC	TBC	M Taylor	D Hoddinott
Palm Sunday	P Britton	A Sharples	J Crompton	C Heydon
5 <sup>th</sup> April	TBC	TBC	A Sharples	J Robinson
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