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# ST JAMES PARISH CHURCH, SILSDEN

## WEEKLY NEWSSHEET

FRIDAY 18 APRIL 2025

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### Good Friday

#### Readings for Good Friday

Isaiah Chap 52 verse 13 to Chap 53 verse 12

Psalm 22 verses 1-21

Letter to the Hebrews – Chap 10 verses 16-25, or Chap 4 verses 14-16 and Chap 5 verses 7-9

Gospel of John Chap 18 verse to Chap 19 verse 42

#### Services on Friday 18 April – Good Friday

##### Walk of Witness

Starting at 10.30 am at Our Lady of Mount Carmel and progressing to St James church and then the Methodist church

7pm Good Friday service at St James: “The Nail”

This service in St James Church will be a reflective service telling the story of the cross using accounts from witnesses, readings, silence and drama.

# Easter Day – Sunday 20 April

## He is Risen! Alleluia!

Readings for Easter Sunday – 20 April 2025

Acts of the Apostles Chap 10 verses 34-43 or Isaiah Chap 65 verses 17-25

Psalm 118 verses 1 and 2, and 14-24

First letter to the Corinthians Chap 15 verses 19-26

Gospel of John Chap 20 verses 1-18 or Gospel of Luke Chap 24 verses 1-12

**Sunday 20 April 2025**

**9.30am Parish Communion – led by Rev Bob Evans and Jen Read**

**(10.20am - 10.55am Tea and Coffee in the St James Church Community Hall)**

**11am Together @ 11 with Communion – led by Jen Read and Rev Bob Evans**

### Coming Up

Sunday 27 April Low Sunday	9.30am Parish Communion – led by Rev Denis Tate  10.30am Tea and Coffee in the hall  10.30am Between service prayer ministry  11am Together @ 11 – led by Sunday Home Group: Jesus walks on water  1pm Baptism
Sunday 4 May	Gathering Breakfast in the Hall from 9.15am  10am Sunday Gathering in the Hall – led by Wednesday Home Group  11am Service of Holy Communion (said) – in church

### **Work Day**

There is a work day on Saturday 19 April starting at 2pm. The main focus will be getting the church ready for Easter Sunday but there will also be other routine jobs to do. Please do support if you are able.

### **Rev Simon Phipps' arrival date at St James Silsden**

Rev Simon will be licensed to St James Silsden by Bishop Toby on Friday 25 July 2025 at a special service in the evening here in church. The service will start at 7pm.

This date also happens to be St James' Day, and it is lovely that this special service will also fall on our patronal festival.

More information about this service will follow nearer the time.

### **Welcome Booklet for Rev Simon**

The PCC have decided to put together a welcome booklet for Rev Simon so that he knows who all the church family at St James are and who does what. In order to prepare this, Val and Brian will be taking photos of you all. Please do support this to make Simon's welcome to St James really great.

### **Repair Cafe**

The next Silsden Repair Cafe is on Saturday 26 April, at the Methodist Church.

Also Climate Action Silsden hold a refill shop at every Repair Café. They stock Minimal (now based in Silsden!) household and personal care products, (all products are Vegan, Cruelty Free and Paraben Free and contain no synthetic dyes or perfumes).

The liquids available are washing up liquid, laundry detergent, fabric conditioner, multi-surface cleaner, toilet cleaner, floor cleaner, hand soap, bubble bath / shower gel, shampoo and hair conditioner. Please take your empty containers and the refill shop will fill them for you. They are a profit free organisation and so sell at cost price, just with a small round-up to cover costs of any spills.

### **Mission Group**

Mission Group next meets on Monday 28 April at 7.30pm, on Zoom.

### **Social Mission Group**

The Social Mission Group will be meeting on Tuesday 29 April at 7.30pm on Zoom. All welcome to attend.

<https://us05web.zoom.us/j/3822705603?pwd=y7Gd6TofuslBFShT03bQSjFpSIKPTL.1&omn=85933731622>

### **Big Church Read**

It is the Big Church Read on Tuesday 22 April starting at 7.45pm in the hall. This is the last Tuesday evening session. Thank you to the organizers.

### **Free boat trip**

Unfortunately the free boat trip has had to be cancelled.

### **Footloose – Save the Date**

Keighley Musical Theatre Group are bringing the musical 'Footloose' to the stage in October and Sandra is organising a St James trip for the afternoon performance – 1.15pm - on Saturday 18 October.

The prices are yet to be advised but an early group booking will secure a 10% discount – so Sandra is collecting names of those who would like to attend. There is a sign-up form pinned on the noticeboard in the Hall.

### **Bank Account Details**

St James' bank account details for direct payments (for Share/general church funds) are:-

Barclays Bank  
Silsden Parish Church PCC  
Sort Code 20-45-14 Acc No 90871176

### **Praying for Silsden**

This week we are praying, as a church, for the residents and businesses on

Bolton Road (above Bolton Garden)  
Ash Ghyll  
Fishbeck Lane  
Cringles Park

### Silsden supporting families in Liberia

We will be holding a coffee morning in St James' Church Hall on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> April - 9.30am - 12.00 to raise funds for our friends in Liberia for the continuation of the training course that their organisation God's Kingdom of Hope International (GKHI) is currently running to empower vulnerable women.

They had over 70 women apply to attend the course which started in November with funding which you, St James' congregation have already helped to provide but they do need more with so many people eager to learn. Because of the large numbers wanting to attend they were split into two groups. The first group have just graduated, and the second group will start after Easter. However, the first group are eager to do more moving on to more advanced sewing and textiles.

WE ARE RAISING FUNDS TO BUY SEWING MACHINES SO THEY CAN LEARN TO SEW IN ORDER TO DEVELOP INDUSTRY AND INCOME FOR THEMSELVES AND THEIR COMMUNITY.

Please come along and learn more about what they are doing.

We and they would really appreciate your support.

Thank you

Joanna, Derek, Laura, Peter and Evangeline

### For book lovers

Wendy Neville is organising a book event on Sunday May 4th in Silsden Town Hall - doors open at 1.30pm for a 2pm start with local author Liz Mistry speaking about her work. We will then break up into groups and discuss her book *The Blood Promise*, which will be followed by a question and answer session. At 4.30pm there will be light refreshments and book sales and signings.

**You will need to read *The Blood Promise* beforehand.**

Wendy has a number of free tickets spare. If you would like to attend this event please email Wendy on [nevillewendy7@gmail.com](mailto:nevillewendy7@gmail.com)

### Regular church events

Thursday Zoom prayers	Every Thursday 15 minutes of prayer time together online at 7.15pm (Zoom) - please come along! Meeting ID: 952 0002 8284 Passcode: 201804	Next one – Thursday 24 April
Thursday Group	The fourth Thursday of each month at 2pm	Next one Thursday 24 April at Sheila's house

Friday at the King Pub Social	First and Third Fridays of the month – 7pm to around 9pm - venue TBC	Next one 2 May (not one on 18 April)
Saturday Social	First Saturday of the month – 2pm until 4pm	Next one Saturday 3 May
PCC Meetings	Second Tuesday in the month at 7.45pm	Next one Tuesday 13 May
Prayer ministry Between our Sunday morning services	Usually the second Sunday and fourth Sunday of each month	Next one after the 9.30am service on 27 April
Work Days	Third Saturday of the month – 2pm to 4pm	Next one Saturday 19 April
Saturday Morning Prayers	The day before the Gathering (so always a Saturday!) – 9am	Next one Saturday 3 May

### **Prayer Ministry**

In addition to being available twice a month between 9:30 and 11:00am services, the Prayer Team will also now be available following each Together@11 service if anyone would like prayer. Team members will be wearing a green lanyard - just make yourself known to one of them.

If anyone is interested in joining the Team, please talk to Brian.

### **Diary for the week ahead**

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<b>GOOD FRIDAY</b>			
Fri	18 April	10.30am	Walk of Witness (starting at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Roman Catholic Church)
		7pm	The Nail – reflection of Good Friday at St James Church
<b>Holy Saturday</b>			
Sat	19 April	2pm	Work Day
<b>EASTER SUNDAY</b>			
Sun	20 April	9.30am	Parish Communion for Easter Day
		10.20am – 10.55am	Tea and Coffee – in the Hall
		11am	Together @ 11 (with Communion)
Mon	21 April		
Tues	22 April	7.45pm	Big Church Read
Weds	23 April		
Thurs	24 April	2pm	Thursday Group
		7.15pm	Zoom prayers
Fri	25 April		
Sat	26 April		
<b>EASTER 2 - FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EASTER</b>			

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Sun	27 April	9.30am	Parish Communion
		10.20am –	Tea and Coffee – in the Hall
		10.55am	
		11am	Together @ 11
Mon	28 April	7.30pm	Mission Group meeting

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