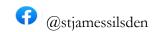
ST JAMES PARISH CHURCH, SILSDEN WEEKLY NEWSSHEET

SATURDAY 30 AUGUST 2025

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Readings for the Eleventh Sunday of Trinity

Jeremiah Chap 2 verses 4-13 (or Ecclesiasticus Chap 10 verses 12-18); or Proverbs Chap 25 verses 6-7

Psalm 81 verse 1 and verses 10-16

or

Psalm 112

Hebrews Chap 13 verses 1-8 and 15-16

Gospel of Luke Chap 14 verse 1, and verses 7-14

Sunday 31 August 2025

9.30am Parish Communion – led by Rev Simon Phipps (also livestreamed on YouTube)

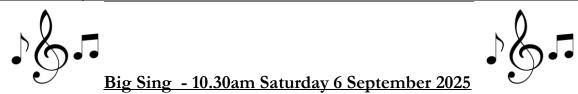
(10.20am - 10.55am Tea and Coffee in the St James Church Community Hall)

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11am Together @ 11 – Dreams, deceit and destiny led by Brian and Monday Home Group

Services coming up

Sunday 7 September	9.15am – Breakfast together in the Hall		
	10am – Gathering Service in the Hall		
	11am – Holy Communion in the church led by Rev Simon Phipps		
Sunday 14 September	9.30am – Parish Communion led by Rev Simon Phipps		
	10.30am Tea and Coffee in the hall		
	11am – Together @ 11		



On the morning of Saturday 6 September the three Silsden churches will be meeting together on the Methodist church forecourt to have a Big Sing together of hymns and worship songs, accompanied by the musicians from all the churches. This is a chance to worship and witness together – and let Silsden know the joy of our faith. Please come and join in to make a big joyful sound!

Rev Simon's contact details

Here are two good ways of getting in touch with Rev Simon:

Email: simon.phipps@leeds.anglican.org

Telephone: 07867 375965

Do you use WhatsApp?

If you are user of WhatsApp then why not join our St James WhatsApp community? That way you will be ableto see our general church community announcements of events, news etc, and then have option (if you wish) to request to join any of our 10 (so far) individual WhatsApp groups - e.g the prayer group, social mission, music group, walks and strolls, Sunday Home group, Friday@The King

For further details / to join speak to Ali or Helen or message Ali on 07719332972

Anyone wanting to add their existing groups to the St James Community, please see Ali. (Admins can maintain control of group memberships!)

Home Groups

Wednesday Home Group is Back!

We are returning after our summer break to our fortnightly meetings starting on September 3rd. We meet on zoom at 7.30, for about an hour and a half. We're a friendly group and new members are welcome - I just need your email address.

Alison

Sunday Home Group is also Back!

Sunday Home Group resumes on Sunday 14 September, in the Hall at 7pm. Sunday Home Group will be following the updated Bible Course (by the Bible Society), starting on 14September. Everyone welcome!

Monday Home Group (Brian)

This Home Group has a meeting this Monday (1st September), and then will recommence properly for the autumn on Monday 22nd September at Brian and Val's home, 7.30pm

Saturday Morning Prayers

At 9am on Saturday 6 September we will meet in church for our monthly Saturday morning prayers, including prayers for Silsden. Please come for as long as you can before, at around 9.45am, we set up the hall for the Saturday Social and the Gathering – before going to the Methodist Church for the Big Sing.

Mothers' Union

September's meeting of Mothers' Union is on Monday 15th September at 3.45pm and will be an activity led meeting whilst people share what they have done over the summer. We look forward to seeing you all there.

God bless Louise

Worship at the Homes

Please come along to help at our regular worship in the homes if you can make it. It's even more important over the summer as some of our regulars will be away. The next dates are as follows:

3 September - Summerfield at 2pm

17 September – The Gables at 2pm



Personal Growth and Leadership Course 2025-26

Over recent years a number of people from St James Silsden have been on the Diocese's Personal Growth and Leadership course. It is a great course for those who want to see in themselves personal growth and confidence (including their Christian confidence). Don't worry about the use of 'Leadership' in the course title – attending the course doesn't mean you will have to be a leader once the course is finished!

The course will run from September this year to March next year and is based around six Saturday morning sessions held at Fountains Church in Bradford city centre

The course comes highly recommended by those from St James who have completed it.

The Saturday morning sessions – 10am-12.30pm – for the 2025-2026 course are:

- Saturday 20th September
- Saturday 18th October
- Saturday 29th November
- Saturday 10th January
- Saturday 7th February
- Saturday 7th March

The last Saturday clashes with the Scargill weekend but we will just have to work that out nearer the time.

Eco Church - Season of Creation

Creationtide or Season of Creation stretches from 1st September to 4th October. This year the theme is 'Peace with Creation'. For those who want to hear more about it, please visit this page: https://seasonofcreation.org/ . There are lots of downloadable resources, including a YouTube service you can join in, with Christians around the world, on the 1st September (or watch later) and a special prayer you can add to your daily devotions.

Fairtrade Fortnight 2025

This year's Fairtrade Fortnight will be 22 September to 5 October 2025

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

Regular church events

Friday	First and Third Fridays of the month –	Next one Friday 5 September
Pub Social	7pm to around 9pm	at the Kings Arms
Saturday Social	First Saturday of the month – 2pm	Next one Saturday 6
	until 4pm	September
Thursday Group	Fourth Thursday of the month 2pm at	Next one Thursday 25
	Sheila's house	September
PCC Meetings	Second Tuesday in the month at	Next one Tuesday 9
	7.30pm	September
Prayer ministry	Usually the second Sunday and fourth	Next one Sunday 14
Between our Sunday	Sunday of each month	September
morning services		
Work Days	Third Saturday of the month – 2pm to	Next one Saturday 20
	4pm	September
Saturday Morning Prayers	The day before the Gathering (so	Next one Saturday 6
	always a Saturday!) – 9am	September

Diary for the week ahead

ELEVENTH SUNDAY OF TRINITY					
Sun	31 August	9.30am	Parish Communion		
		10.20am to	Tea and Coffee in the Hall		
		10.55am			
		11am	Together@11		
September					
Mon	1 Sep				
Tues	2 Sep				
Weds	3 Sep	2pm	Worship at Summerfield		
Thurs	4 Sep				
Fri	5 Sep	7pm-9pm	Friday at the Kings Arms - pub social		
		(ish)			
Sat	6 Sep	9am	Saturday Morning prayers- in church		
		9.45am	Set up hall for Saturday Social and Gathering		
		10.30am	Churches Together Big Sing – outside Silsden Methodist Church		
TWELFTH SUNDAY OF TRINITY					
Sun	7 Sep	9.15am	Breakfast together in the hall		
		10am	Sunday Gathering worship in the Hall		
		11am	Service of Holy Communion – a shorter, said service		

Dates for the Diary

Pudding Night – Saturday 11 October (from 6.30pm) Tear Fund Quiz Night – Saturday 15 November (from 6.30pm) Autumn Fayre – Saturday 22 November (from 9.30am) Silsden Christmas Market – Sunday 30 November Church Christmas Party – Saturday 13 December (from 6pm)