
ST JAMES PARISH CHURCH, SILSDEN WEEKLY NEWSSHEET

SATURDAY 5 SEPTEMBER 2026

Our Vision: Confident Christians, Growing in Christ and Making Him Known

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Sunday 6 September— Fourteenth Sunday of Trinity

Readings for Sunday 6 September

Exodus Chap 12 verses 1-14

Psalm 149

Romans Chap 13 verses 8-14

Gospel of Matthew Chap 18 verses 15-20

Sunday 6 September 2026

9.15am – Breakfast

10.00am – Sunday Gathering

11.00am – Said Holy Communion in church – led by Rev Simon

Services coming up

13 September	9.30am – Parish Communion led by Revd Simon 10.30am – Tea and coffee in the hall 10.30am – Between service prayer 11.00am – Together @ 11 – led by Revd Simon and the Tuesday Life Group 4.00pm – Pizza Praise
20 September	9.30am – Parish Communion led by Revd Simon 10.30am – Tea and coffee in the hall 11.00am – Together @ 11 – led by Paul 4.00pm – Pizza Praise

Barbara's memorial service

Thank you to everyone who helped in any way at, and after, the service for Barbara on 3 September. The service was recorded. If you wish to view it please contact Helen Anderson. There are also some spare Orders of Service available in church.

Worship at the Nursing Homes

The next few dates for worship in the nursing homes are:-

Wednesday 15th September at 2.00pm at The Gables

Tuesday 6th October at 10.30am at Springbank

Wednesday 7th October at 2.00pm at Summerfield

Wednesday 21st October at 2.00pm at The Gables

Please do support these services if you can.

Saturday morning prayers

At 9am on Saturday 5 September we will meet in church for our monthly Saturday morning prayers, including prayers for Silsden. Please come for as long as you can. We will not be setting up the hall for The Gathering or Saturday Social until 1.30pm as there is a children's party in the hall in the morning.

Saturday Social

The next Saturday Social will be on Saturday 5 September. Please do come along for a time to chat, do an activity and have a drink.

Pizza Praise dates – Autumn 2026

Pizza Praise is at 4pm on Sunday afternoons. These are the dates for Pizza Praise between now and December.

13 September
20 September
27 September
11 October
18 October
8 November
15 November
22 November
29 November
13 December

Pies and Puddings Evening

We will be hosting a pies and puddings evening on Saturday 19 September – see poster. If you would like to enter a pie or a pudding, please complete the entry form and return to Deborah. Tickets (£2.50) available from Deborah, Louise or Ali.

Silsden Jumble Trail Sunday 13 September

We have a few of the trail maps available at church. Please only take on if you are definitely going to visit some of the places on the trail.

Eco-Church

The Season of Creation (1 September-4 October) is dedicated to God as the Creator and sustainer of all life. Join A Rocha UK's Season of Creation prayer and reflection webinar on Wednesday 2 September to start this season with others.

During this period of the church calendar, many churches celebrate Harvest, thanking God for his provision through the land and the food that it produces. If you are part of a church or community, suggest that a service or gathering has a Season of Creation focus. Prayers, worship, teaching and the offering could focus on creation. Could there be an activity with a creation focus too?

Explore more Season of Creation resources at: arocha.org.uk/what-we-do/season-of-creation

For more practical ways to enjoy, nurture and defend nature, sign up to A Rocha UK's Wild Christian email: arocha.org.uk/wild-christian

Church Hall Garden

Now we have had some rain it is time to get out into the garden! We want to plant up the strip of land in the church hall carpark behind the new wooden fence. Do you have some plants you could donate - possibly by splitting an existing plant in your garden? We're looking for colourful, perennial, low maintenance plants e.g. lavender, day lilies, ornamental grasses, verbenas, St Johns wort, rudbeckia etc.....

Prayers for the week ahead

As well as praying for the areas of Silsden set out below, please continue to pray for Nepal.

Lord God and Heavenly Father,

*Thank you for the faithful service of your people in Nepal seeking to make Christ known.
We pray that the provision of these chickens, pigs and cows will enable the work to continue and grow,*

*In the name of Christ,
Amen*

Praying for Silsden

We are continuing to pray, as a church, for the residents and businesses within the Parish, street-by-street and week-by-week.

This week's streets are:

West View
East View
Briggate
Road leading to the Old Vicarage

Please also pray for these streets in your own prayers. Thank you.

Mothers' Union

Our first meeting after the summer break will be on Thursday 17th Sept. Jenny Kimber is returning to talk, this time about her work in broadcasting. All are welcome at 7.30pm. £2 contribution for tea and biscuits. We look forward to seeing you.

Personal Growth and Leadership Course 26-27

Here is a message from the organizers of the next Personal Growth and Leadership Course. The course will once again be held at Fountains Church, Bradford, with refreshments available from 9:30am, for a 10:00am start, with sessions finishing at 12:30pm.

Dates are as follows (they are all Saturdays)

- 26th September
- 24th October
- 21st November
- 9th January
- 6th February
- 6th March

We would be delighted if you and your team could join us again. The course continues to be a fantastic opportunity to learn, connect with others, and develop leadership skills in a supportive environment.

Please do speak with Simon, Neil or Jayne if you are thinking of going on this course.

The course comes highly recommended by those from St James who have done this course.

Life Groups

As the summer break continues people might be thinking about joining a Life Group here at St James Church when they resume meeting in September. More details about the Life Groups can be found on the information board at the back of church.

- Sunday Life Group – meet fortnightly at 7pm and will be starting again on 13th September and will continue with their study of Ezekiel – led by Neil
- Monday Life Group 1 – meet weekly in the morning and will be starting again in mid September to study 1 Peter – led by Michael and Susan
- Monday Life Group 2 – meet fortnightly at 2pm and will be starting again on 14th September to study Ezekiel from the Gateway Seven series – led by Joanna
- Monday Life Group 3 – meet weekly at 7.30pm and will be starting again on 21st September. They have not decided what to study yet – led by Val and Brian
- Tuesday Life Group – meet weekly at 7pm and will be starting again on 1 September. They have not decided what to study yet – led by Simon
- Wednesday Life Group – meet at 7.30pm on Zoom on the second and fourth Wednesday, have not had a summer break, and are studying the first letter of Peter using the Gateway Seven series – led by Alison and Paul

Bank Details

We have a new Bank Account. The Barclays account is now closed and everything has been switched to the new account with the Co-operative Bank. All you should see are different details on your bank statement. If you have any questions, please talk to Deborah.

The new account details are:-

Silsden Parish Church

Ac. No 67510630

Sort code – 08-92-99

Special evening worship featuring a talk from Colin Lowther of Reach Beyond Sunday 20 September at 7pm (start time provisional)

Please put the evening of Sunday 20 September in your diary when we will worship together and listen to a talk from Colin Lowther of Reach Beyond.

This is from the website of Reach Beyond UK

Here at Reach Beyond we're committed to using our expertise in voice projects (radio, media, ShareEnglish), hands projects (community development, healthcare) and our experience of over 90 years on the mission field, to see unreached communities transformed by the gospel.

Regular church events

Thursday Group	The fourth Thursday of each month at 2pm	Next one Thursday 24 September at Sheila's house
Friday at the King Pub Social	First and Third Fridays of the month – 7pm to around 9pm at the Kings Arms	Next one Friday 4 September
Saturday Social	First Saturday of the month – 2pm until 4pm	Next one Saturday 5 September
PCC Meetings	Fourth Tuesday of the month – at	Next one Tuesday 22 September
Mothers' Union	Third Thursday of the month at 7.30pm	Next one Thursday 17 September
Church Work Day	Third Saturday of the month – 2pm to 4pm	Next one Saturday 19 September
Prayer ministry	Usually the second Sunday and fourth Sunday of each month	Next one after the 9.30am service on 13 September

Between our Sunday morning services		
Saturday Morning Prayers	The day before the Gathering (so a Saturday!) – 9am	Next one Saturday 5 September

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Diary for the week ahead

Sat	5 Sept	9.00am	Saturday morning prayers
		1.30pm	Set up for Saturday Social and Gathering
		2.00pm	Saturday Social
			FOURTEENTH SUNDAY OF TRINITY
Sun	6 Sept	9.15am	Breakfast
		10.00am	Gathering
		11.00am	Said Holy Communion
Mon	7 Sept		
Tues	8 Sept	7.00pm	Life Group
Wed	9 Sept	7.30pm	Life Group
Thurs	10 Sept		
Fri	11 Sept		
Sat	12 Sept	10.30am	Visiting bellringers
			FIFTEENTH SUNDAY OF TRINITY
Sun	13 Sept	9.30am	Parish Communion
		10.30am	Tea and coffee in the hall
		11.00am	Together @ 11
		11.00am	Silsden Jumble Trail
		4.00pm	Pizza Praise
		7.00pm	Life Group



SATURDAY SOCIAL



**St James Community Hall
Silsden**

**1st Saturday Every Month
2.00 - 4.00 pm**



Pop in any time — stay for as long as you like!

Join us for refreshments, activities, and a friendly chat!



ALL WELCOME!



ST JAMES
Silsden



VISIT SILSDEN JUMBLE TRAIL

climateactionsilsden.org.uk



SCAN FOR
MAP



Sun 13th Sep
11am - 3pm

Printed maps available from
Olive & Green and ***Twiggs***



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JOIN US FOR A

PIE & PUDDING

EVENING

SAVOURY PIE



SWEET PUDDING



Good food
Great company
Everyone
welcome!

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SEPTEMBER



6.30 PM



ST JAMES COMMUNITY HALL



Bring a savoury pie or sweet pudding to share
• and enter the competition if you wish! •

• BRING OWN DRINKS •



TICKETS: £2.50



St James Pies and Pudding Competition Entry Form

Name:-.....

Pie or Pudding name:-.....

Ingredients (for allergy notifications):-

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Return form to Deborah