

LENT LUNCHES

Come and enjoy a light lunch on
Wednesdays in Lent.

12, 19, 25 March and 2, 9 April.

12 – 1.30pm in St James, Pangbourne

Donations to Christian Aid



ST JAMES CAFÉ OPEN IN MARCH

With some heating now installed we will be opening
St James Café on **Wednesday 5th and 19th March**
from **11am to 12pm.**

Please note: due to Lent Lunches in April there will
not be a café but it will be
open again as usual in May.



Oasis Bereavement Support Group



Next getting together on: **Thursday 27th**
March in The Elephant Hotel for company,
conversation and coffee. 2 to 3.30pm.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES

In May, we plan to offer classes for teenagers and
adults who are interested in being confirmed, as well
as for those who may not be ready for confirmation
but would like to explore the Christian faith further.
If you'd like to find out more please email the rector
at rector.ptschurches@gmail.com.

Who do I contact in PTS?

To arrange baptisms, weddings, and funerals or for
any pastoral or church related issues, please contact:

Rector

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PCC Treasurer

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Please use the following details for BACs payments:

Sort Code: 08-92-99
Account Number: 67234165
Account Name: PCC Pangbourne Tidmarsh Sulham



THE PARISH OF PANGBOURNE
WITH TIDMARSH AND SULHAM

ST JAMES THE LESS : ST LAURENCE : ST NICHOLAS

PEWS NEWS

MARCH 2025

2nd March

10am
11.15am

Holy Communion
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St James
St Laurence

Readings

Old Testament
Epistle
Gospel

Exodus 34.29-end
2 Corinthians 3.12-4.2
Luke 9.28-36[37-43a]

Collect

Holy God,
you know the disorder of our sinful lives:
set straight our crooked hearts,
and bend our wills to love your goodness
and your glory in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

5th March

10am

Holy Communion

St James

Readings

Old Testament
Epistle
Gospel

Joel 2.1-2, 12-17
2 Corinthians 5.20b-6.10
Matthew 6.1-6, 16-21

Holy God,

our lives are laid open before you:
rescue us from the chaos of sin
and through the death of your Son
bring us healing and make us whole
in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

9th March

7.45am
10am

BCP Holy Communion
All Together Worship

1st Sunday of Lent

St James
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Readings

Old Testament
Epistle
Gospel

Deuteronomy 26.1-11
Romans 10.8b-13
Luke 4.1-13

Collect

Heavenly Father,
your Son battled with the powers of darkness,
and grew closer to you in the desert:
help us to use these days to grow in wisdom and prayer
that we may witness to your saving love
in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Weekday services in St James

Wednesday 10am Holy Communion
Friday 10am Noah's Ark

16th February

2nd Sunday of Lent

9am	Joyful Noise	St James
10am	Holy Communion	St James
11.15am	Morning Worship	St Nicholas

Readings

Old Testament	Genesis 15.1-12, 17-18
Epistle	Philippians 3.17-4.1
Gospel	Luke 13.31-end

Collect

Almighty God,
by the prayer and discipline of Lent
may we enter into the mystery of Christ's sufferings,
and by following in his Way
come to share in his glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

23rd March

3rd Sunday of Lent

7.45am	BCP Holy Communion	St James
10am	Holy Communion	St James

Readings

New Testament	Isaiah 55.1-9
Epistle	1 Corinthians 10.1-13
Gospel	Luke 13.1-9

Collect

Almighty God,
you have created the heavens and the earth
and made us in your own image:
teach us to discern your hand in all your works
and your likeness in all your children;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns
supreme over all things,
now and for ever. **Amen**

30th March

Mothering Sunday

10am	Holy Communion	St James
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Readings

New Testament	1 Samuel 1.20-end
Epistle	Colossians 3.12-17
Gospel	John 19.25b-27

Collect

God of compassion,
whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary,
shared the life of a home in Nazareth,
and on the cross drew the whole human family to
himself:
strengthen us in our daily living
that in joy and in sorrow
we may know the power of your presence
to bind together and to heal;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Parish News

Welcome service for Bishop of Reading:

The Bishop-Designate Mary Gregory's Service of Welcome
is on **Sunday 2nd March at 3pm in Reading Minster.**

FULL REVISION OF CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL

A new Church Electoral Roll (ER) is compiled every six years, and it is due for revision this year. This means that everyone currently on the roll will be removed, and anyone who wants to be added—including those not previously on the roll—will need to reapply.

A notice about the revision of the ER will be displayed outside all three parish churches. If you'd like to be included on the new roll, please complete a form, which you can access by scanning this QR code or by picking one up from St James, St Nicholas, or St Laurence churches.

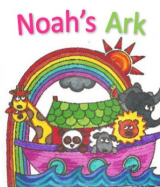


Forms must be returned by 11th April, by email to office.ptschurches@gmail.com or by post to Electoral Roll Officer, 2 Willowmead, Kennedy Drive, Pangbourne RG8 7LB.



Ash Wednesday
— Lent Begins

Ash Wednesday Service
10 am on 5th March
St James the Less



We're pleased to announce that **NOAH'S ARK** will be back in St James church from **Friday 7th March. 10 to 11am**
Our sincere thanks to our friends at St Bernadette's for kindly allowing us use of The Dorman Rooms over the past few weeks.



LENT COURSE—CHRIST AND THE CHOCOLATERIE

Based on the film 'Chocolat', 'Christ and the Chocolaterie' opens up the themes of the life changing opportunities that Lent presents to the Christian through a better understanding and application of the Bible. **Sign up sheet at the back of church.**

The book is available from www.eden.co.uk for £6.31. It is not necessary to buy the book but it would be helpful if you would like to.

Friday 7th March: watch 'Chocolat' - 1.45pm for a prompt start at 2pm at The Rectory

Friday 14th March: 2 to 3.30pm—62 Horseshoe Road, Pangbourne

Friday 21st, 28th March and 4th, 11th April: 2 to 3.30pm at The Rectory.