

# Weekly News

The Epiphany 6<sup>th</sup> January 2019

**MISSION OF THE MONTH:**

Throughout the year the two St James take time in the Sunday services to focus on each of the core missions we support:

**January M of M is:**

**Tichy Family— Betel/WEC**

Included as part of the Services on 1<sup>st</sup> Sun at Fulmer and 4<sup>th</sup> Sun at GX

**Welcome to the two St James.** If this is your first visit to St James or if you've recently joined us, please fill in a Welcome card or simply talk to one of our host team (with lilac badges) so we can invite you to our next Newcomers Coffee. If you are new to the Children's or Youth Ministry we have LOTS going on that you might like to know about! Ask someone on the team/take an info card or look at <https://saintjames.org.uk/kids/> or <https://saintjames.org.uk/youth/> (click on icons to move around the website for more details)

**THIS SUNDAY:**

**6<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2019**

**NEW YEAR, NEW START**

- **8am HOLY COMMUNION (FULMER)**  
*Ben Topham*
- **9am HOLY COMMUNION (GX)**  
*James Leach*
- **10.45am MORNING WORSHIP (GX)**  
*Ben Topham*
- **11.15am MORNING WORSHIP (FULMER)** *James Leach*
- **4pm SUNDAY WORSHIP (GX)**  
*Ben Topham*

**Please note:**

- **PromiseLand, Boat and Resonate will not meet again until 13th January 2019**
- **Children will go out for the talk at the 10.45am and 4pm services today**

**THIS WEEK**

- **Monday GX Prayers 9.30am**  
*(Saint James Centre, GX)*
- **Monday Service with Holy Communion 10.45am** *(Saint James Centre, GX)*
- **Tuesday Fulmer Discussion and Prayers 9.30am** *(St James, Fulmer)*
- **Tuesday Tiny Tots 10am**  
*(Saint James Centre)*
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*(Saint James Centre)*
- **Thursday Introducing Luke & Acts 8pm** *(Saint James Centre)*
- **Friday Introducing Luke & Acts 10am**  
*(Saint James Centre)*

**NEXT WEEK:**

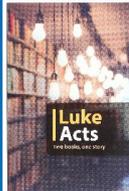
**13<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2019**

**A SAVIOUR FOR ALL**

- **8am HOLY COMMUNION (FULMER)**  
*Chris Lion*
- **9am MORNING WORSHIP (GX)**  
*Ben Topham*
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- **11.15am MORNING WORSHIP (FULMER)** *Ben Topham*
- **4pm HOLY COMMUNION (GX)**  
*Chris Lion*
- **7pm Resonate Youth Service (GX)**

**Please note:**

**PromiseLand, Boat and Resonate will be meeting today.**



**Two Books, One Story:**

From January through to May 5<sup>th</sup> our sermon series will go through the books of Luke and Acts, Luke's action-packed two-volume account of the life of Jesus and the birth and growth of the early church. Alongside the series we are producing a reading scheme to help you read through these books as part of your own Bible reading. There will also be available (for £2) Bible Society's single volume edition of Luke and Acts specially designed to be read as a single book. To launch us off, James Leach will be presenting a session 'Introducing Luke and Acts' on **Thurs Jan 10<sup>th</sup> at 8.00 pm, repeated on Fri Jan 11th at 10.00 am.** For more information and to sign up (no charge) visit <https://saintjames.org.uk/two-books-one-story/>

**Institution, Induction and Installation Service**



For Rev'd Matt Beeby as Rector of the parish of Gerrards Cross with Fulmer will be held on **Thursday 7th February 2019 at 7.30pm** at St James, Gerrards Cross. If you would like to attend this service, please book your place via this link <https://bit.ly/2TyaEPz> or via the Welcome Desk.

Please note that **Matt's first Sunday** will be 24<sup>th</sup> February in GX, and 3<sup>rd</sup> March in Fulmer.

**Monday Service 2019**



**Monday Service** – starting on **January 7<sup>th</sup> at 10.45-11.45am**, held in the Saint James Centre.

Two services each month with hymns, a talk, discussion, fellowship and refreshments.



**Alpha** is a series of interactive sessions to discuss the Christian faith in an informal, fun and friendly environment. Alpha consists of 10 sessions, looking at a different topic each week. For more information and to sign up go to <https://bit.ly/2TjDvpY> Held in the Saint James Centre, the next courses begin

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> January 8-9.45pm Evening Alpha with Supper**  
**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> January 9.30-11.15am Morning Alpha (crèche places — booking essential)**



**The Early Years**—a six week parenting course for those who 'parent' children from the age of 0-4 years, starts on **Thursday 31st January** from **9.30-11.30am** in the Saint James Centre. To book your place go to <https://bit.ly/2BMSYYi>

**The next PCC Meeting is on Tuesday 22 January 2019**

**Readings Today @ 8am HOLY COMMUNION (FULMER)**  
**First Reading:** Isaiah 60: 1-6 **page:** 746  
**Second Reading:** Psalm 72: 1-9 **page:** 585  
**Gospel Reading:** Matthew 2: 1-12 **page:** 966

## PRAYER

### Prayer Diaries:

Pick up a paper copy today after the service or sign up for daily prayer emails at [saintjames.org.uk/prayerdiary/](http://saintjames.org.uk/prayerdiary/)

### GX Monday Prayers:

Held every Monday in the Saint James Centre at 9.30am.

### Monthly FULMER Discussion/Prayers:

Held first TUESDAY of each month in St James, Fulmer at 9.30am.

### Quiet Garden:

The 'Quiet Garden' is a place to withdraw to nature and 'Come to me ... to a quiet place and get rest'. We are fortunate to have the original Quiet Garden close by at Park Road, Stoke Poges, SL2 4PG. Call Noreen Cooper 644 273 for 2018 dates.

### Two Books, One Story Reading Plan

#### Week 1—Jan 7th-13th 2019

Day 1: Luke 1: 1-25 p2-3

Day 2: Luke 1: 26-56 p3-5

Day 3: Luke 1: 57-80 p5-7

Day 4: Luke 2: 1-20 p8-9

Day 5: Luke 2: 21-52 p9-11

Each week's reading can be done in one session or over five days. Use whatever version of the Bible you find helpful.

The page numbers in the reading plan refer to the single volume edition of Luke-Acts in the Good News Translation published by the Bible Society. It is designed for natural continuous reading. A limited number are available to purchase at £2 from the Welcome Desk in the Saint James Centre or in the Church Foyer.



## NEW YEAR, NEW JOB OPPORTUNITY:

### Passionate about how excellent church administration can enable other ministries to flourish?

We are advertising for a full-time or part-time job share Church Administrator to join the team. This role gives you the opportunity to make a positive impact on the running of the Parish and provide a practical contribution to the sharing of God's word, serving others both within the church community and across the Parish. If you would like a copy of the job description, salary details and an application pack please email [nici.johnson@saintjames.org.uk](mailto:nici.johnson@saintjames.org.uk) or phone the church office on 01753 88 33 11.

## Current and Future Events:



At St James Fulmer from 9.30am to 10.30am today Sun 6th January

For young families and the young at heart. Breakfast & coffee. Find out more about Jesus through play, craft, games, songs Bible stories & prayer.

**Messy Church:** Friday 18th January 4-5.45pm.

For the whole family, a time for games, craft stories, food and worship together.

**Friendship Lunch:** The next Friendship lunches will be held on **Thursday, 10 January and Monday, 14 January 2019** at the slightly earlier time of **12:15 to 2:00 pm**. If you would like to attend, please contact Brian Horne on 884722 or [brianjean.horne@btinternet.com](mailto:brianjean.horne@btinternet.com).

**Monday Service:** Monday 7th January with Holy Communion & Monday 21st January at 10.45am.

**Children & Youth Work** resumes Next Sunday For more details [www.saintjames.org.uk](http://www.saintjames.org.uk)

Alongside 10.45am and 4pm services PL & Boat.

**PromiseLand** for ages 3½ to School Year 6 will be looking at key Old Testament Bible characters.

**Volunteers are needed** in all groups, if you are interested in serving on the team, please contact Guy Mansell—[guy.mansell@saintjames.org.uk](mailto:guy.mansell@saintjames.org.uk)

**The Boat Youth Service** school years 7-9—'The Way, The Truth, The Life—Jesus is the only way'.

**Resonate Youth Service at 7pm** for school years 10 to sixth form—'The faith I grew up in'.

**Breakfast Matters:** starts this month and is a new initiative that will be based on the format of the Men's Breakfasts - a light breakfast, talk and group discussion. It is open to all to attend, both women and men. It will be an opportunity to hear some of the talks that have been engaging and popular at the Men's Breakfasts. The first one will be held at Pete and Hedy Hodson's home on **Saturday 26th January from 8-10am**. 'The Complete Athlete'. The talk is about Mental Toughness and using our energy wisely – perfect for the New Year! To register or find out more please contact Jane Sheldon at [breakfastmatters@saintjames.org.uk](mailto:breakfastmatters@saintjames.org.uk)

**FamilyLife's Vision & Equipping Day 2019:** The theme is 'Sex a better story'. On **Saturday 2nd February 9.30am-5pm** at Renewal Christian Centre, Solihull B91 2JR. For more info & booking go to: [www.familylifeuk.org/ve2019](http://www.familylifeuk.org/ve2019)

**Reflections morning—Hope for the Future and Joy in the Waiting:** Saturday 23rd February in the Saint James Centre at 9.15am with guest speaker Susie Brock.

**Men's Leadership Breakfasts** Saturday 2nd and Friday 15th and 22nd February. Open to St James men and their guests, and newcomers are welcome. For details or to book contact Meyrick at: [meyrick.beebee@saintjames.org.uk](mailto:meyrick.beebee@saintjames.org.uk) or ring 07956 435025.



### Bring in your used stamps from Christmas Cards—Box available until Sun 21st Jan

We are collecting used stamps for charity. So rather than put your card envelopes straight in the recycling, tear off the stamp first, leaving a 1cm border then pop them in the box in the St James Centre. This year's stamps will go to the Royal National Institute of Blind People.

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