

SJPMagazine

Our aim as a church is...

To know Jesus...

...and make Him known

Sundays at SJPCChurch

7 June	10:00am All Age Worship — St James Hill Top 6:30pm Holy Communion — St Paul's Golds Hill
14 June	10:00am Holy Communion — St James Hill Top 6:00pm Youth Church — St James Hill Top 6:30pm Evening Prayer — St Paul's Golds Hill
21 June	10:00am Morning Worship — St James Hill Top 6:30pm Holy Communion — St Paul's Golds Hill
28 June	10:00am Holy Communion — St James Hill Top 6:00pm Confirmation — St Paul's Golds Hill
5 June	10:00am Holy Communion — St James Hill Top 6:30pm Holy Communion — St Paul's Golds Hill

This month at St James and St Paul's



St James



St Pauls



Church Hall

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

31st

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4th

5th

6th



- 17:00 Squirrels
- 18:30 Cubs (at Sandwell Vally)

- 10:00 Bible Studdy
- 14:00 Oakley Gardens Communion
- 18:00 Beavers
- 19:30 Evening Prayer

- 9:15 Little Fish
- 18:00 Youth Group

- 9:30 Morning Prayer
- 19:15 Scouts

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- 10:00 All Age Worship
- 18:30 Holy Communion

- 9:30 Morning Prayer
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- 18:00 Beavers
- 19:30 Evening Prayer

- 9:15 Little Fish
- 18:30 Ash Wednesday

- 9:30 Morning Prayer
- 19:15 Scouts

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- 10:00 Morning Worship
- 18:30 Holy Communion

- 9:30 Morning Prayer
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- 10:00 Holy Communion
- 18:30 Confirmation service

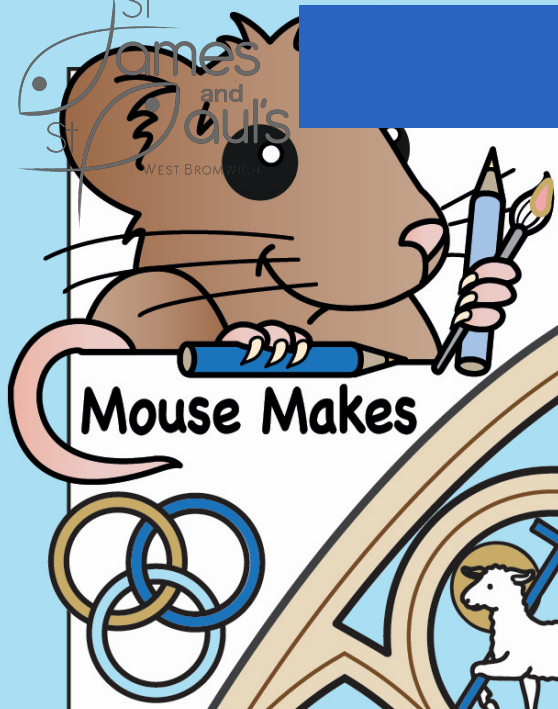
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- 11:00 Hill Top Lodge service
- 13:00 Walk of Witness
- 19:00 Create and Cake



Mouse Makes

"May the grace of the Lord
JESUS CHRIST and the
love of **GOD** and the
fellowship of the
HOLY SPIRIT be
with you all."

2 Corinthians
13:14



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JESUS • CHRIST
SON • SAVIOUR • LORD
EMMANUEL • MESSIAH
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TRUTH • LIFE • DOOR
BREAD • WORD • HEALER
VINE • ALPHA • OMEGA

GOD • FATHER
ABBA • LORD • JEHOVAH
YAHWEH • ALMIGHTY
HOLY ONE • SAVIOUR
ETERNAL • CREATOR
KING • MAJESTY • JUDGE
SHIELD • ROCK • I AM

HOLY SPIRIT
GIFT • HELPER • WITNESS
COMFORTER • GUIDE
ADVOCATE • WISDOM
POWER • TRUTH • BREATH
LIFE • ETERNAL • DOVE
WIND • FIRE • TEACHER





As we look back over this past year, there is so much to thank God for. That does not mean everything has been easy, or that there have not been challenges, but it

does mean that we can see God's kindness to us again and again.

Over the past three years, we have been thinking together about taking *One More Step*. Not a massive leap. Not trying to do everything all at once. But asking, prayerfully and honestly: what is the next faithful step the Lord is calling me to take?

We have thought about taking one more step to pray for a friend. Not just hoping people will come to know Jesus, but actually bringing people before the Lord in prayer, asking that He would open hearts, open doors, and give us courage to speak of Christ.

We have thought about taking one more step to bring a Bible. That may sound simple, but it matters. We want to be a church where the Bible is not just something read from the front, but something we open, follow, trust, and live by. We want to be shaped by God's word.

And this year, I want to encourage us to take *One more step... to meet together*.

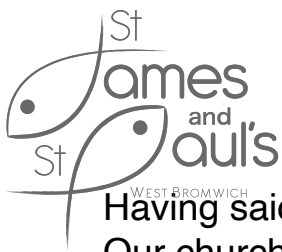
[Let's] not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another — and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Hebrews 10:25

Meeting together as God's people is not just a nice extra when we have time. It is part of how God keeps us going. We need the Lord, and we need one another. We need to hear God's word together. We need to pray together. We need to sing together. We need to encourage one another, especially when life is hard, faith feels weak, or the world feels heavy.

So my encouragement for the coming year is simple: let us not drift. Let us not get out of the habit. Let us take one more step in meeting together — on Sundays, in Bible study, in prayer, in fellowship, and in serving alongside one another.

There are going to be times when we can't be at church, because of work, illness, holidays. However, please do try make church a priority.



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Having said all of that, there have been some real encouragements this year. Our church family has grown across SJPC Church, which is exciting! It has been lovely to welcome new people into the life of St James and St Paul's. That is a gift from God. We have also seen good numbers at Easter and Christmas, with people coming through the doors and hearing again the good news of Jesus, the one born for us, crucified for us and risen for us.

This is what we are really about, to know Jesus and make Him known. So when people come in at Christmas, at Easter, on a Sunday, at a group, or through a conversation, that is an opportunity given to us by God. It has also been encouraging to see the progress being made with the hall. There is still a lot of work to do, but progress is being made, and I am thankful for that.

However, God's people are the church, buildings can be useful. But only if we are using them for the gospel.

My prayer is that the hall will be a place of welcome, fellowship, outreach, and service; a place where people are loved, where relationships are built, and where Christ is made known.



Bible Study

We warmly invite you to join us for our weekly Bible Study as we gather around God's Word to learn more of the Lord Jesus Christ and grow in faith together.

Whether you are new to the Bible or have studied it for many years, you will be very welcome. Our meetings are friendly and informal, and any questions are welcome.

Tuesday Morning at 10:00am
Monday Evening at 6:30pm
Come and enjoy sound Bible teaching, warm Christian fellowship, and the encouragement of studying the Scriptures together.

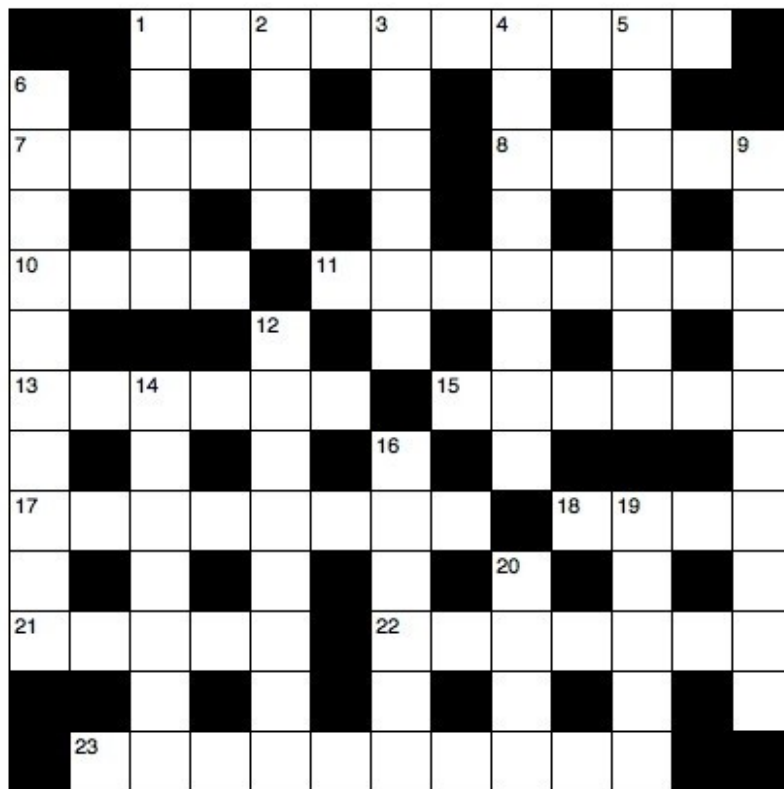


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Across

- 1 Evil (Genesis 6:5) (10)
- 7 Musician called for by Elisha when he met the kings of Israel, Judah and Edom (2 Kings 3:15) (7)
- 8 The request that led to the institution of the Lord's Prayer: 'Lord, — us to pray' (Luke 11:1) (5)
- 10 'We are hard pressed on every—'(2Corinthians4:8)(4)
- 11 Fraud (2Corinthians6:8)(8)
- 13 'His troops advance in force;they build a siege ramp against me and — around my tent' (Job 19:12) (6)
- 15 Where Rachel hid Laban's household gods when he searched his daughter's tent (Genesis 31:34) (6)
- 17 'Now about spiritual gifts,brothers,I do not want you to be—' (1 Corinthians 12:1) (8)
- 18 Nomadic dwelling(Genesis26:25)(4)
- 21 'As for man,his days are like—,he flourishes like a flower of the field' (Psalm 103:15) (5)
- 22 Or I live (anag.)(7)
- 23 Those guilty of 1 Across(Romans13:4)(10)

Down

- 1 'God so loved the — that he gave his one and only Son' (John 3:16) (5)
- 2 'Away in a manger, no — for a bed' (4)
- 3 Mob ten (anag.) (6)
- 4 'Each — group made its own gods in several towns where they settled' (2 Kings 17:29) (8)
- 5 Began (Luke 9:46) (7)
- 6 Speaking very softly (John 7:32) (10)
- 9 Workers Ruth joined when she arrived in Bethlehem with her mother-in-law Naomi (Ruth 2:3) (10) 12 Put in jail(Acts22:19)(8)
- 14 Aceturn(anag.)(7)
- 16 Discharge(Acts21:3)(6)
- 19 'All these—come from inside and make a man "unclean"' (Mark 7:23) (5)
- 20 'Let us rejoice and be glad and — him glory!'(Revelation19:7)(4)



Confirmation Service

 Sunday 28th June 2026

 6pm

 at St Paul's



with Bishop Michael Ipgrave

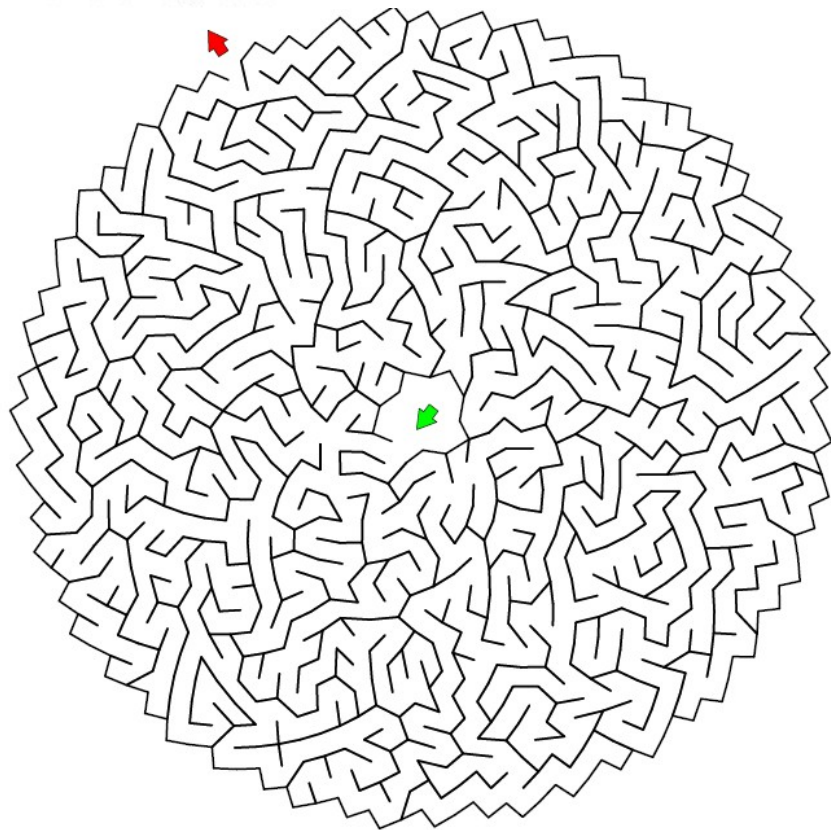
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...well you cannot fault the efficacy of
the new 'Planned Giving' scheme...

Prayers for Sick and Bereaved

Please Pray for those in need.

The Family and Friends of ...

Especially.....

Denis Smith

Chris Parry
Bridget Williams
Sybil Dilworth
Kim McCulloch
Kayliegh Winstanley
Ivy Hines
Stephan Henly

If you know anyone who would like to be added onto the prayer list, please let mark or one of the wardens know.



The next Men's Breakfast will be on the 12th September 2026 at the Queen Inn in West Bromwich.

We will meet at 9:00am for about an hour to an hour and half.

Why not come along.

Price last time was £10.99

For more Details, speak to Mark or Andy



Don't forget that our Create and Bake group meets on the first Friday of every month, 7pm at St James.

Costs £2 which includes crafts, cake, tea, coffee and great conversations!

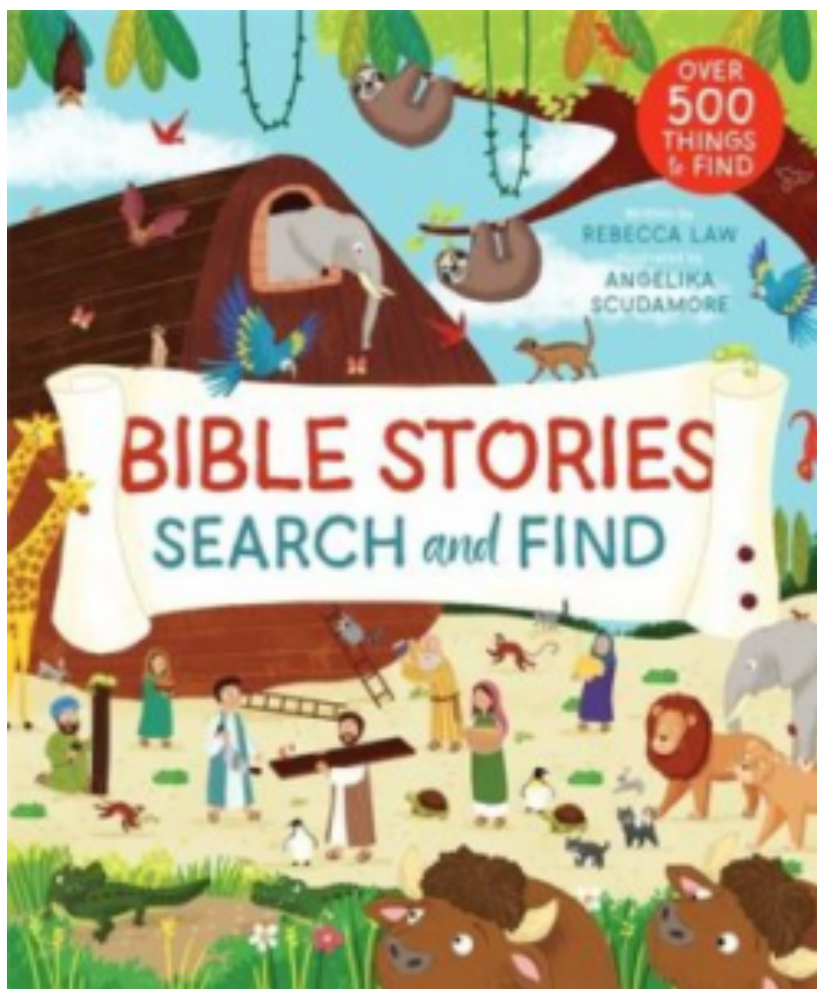
For more details, speak to Rebecca Wilson

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FRIDAY
10TH JULY

SPEAK TO NIC OR KERRY
FOR MORE DETAILS



Bible Stories Search and Find

By Rebecca Law, SPCK, £9.99

The book is a helpful introduction to the Bible for children ages 6-9. Youngsters will have fun searching for the more than 500 hidden objects across 20 fantastically illustrated scenes, while learning key stories from God's Word. This interactive Bible storybook could be an exciting way for your children to engage with the Bible while developing

concentration and biblical knowledge.

A Deep Dive into OCD: Setting the Captives Free

By Rebekah Keen, Grove Books, £5.95

Obsessive Compulsive Disorder (OCD) is sadly an increasingly common affliction of debilitating anxiety. This informative booklet offers a personal and professional reflection on OCD, with many insights to help sufferers (and those who seek to help them) find greater peace.



Cross Word Answers

ACROSS:

1, Wickedness. 7, Harpist. 8, Teach. 10, Side. 11, Impostor. 13, Encamp. 15, Saddle. 17, Ignorant. 18, Tent. 21, Grass. 22, Olivier. 23, Wrongdoers.

DOWN:

1, World. 2, Crib. 3, Entomb. 4, National. 5, Started. 6, Whispering. 9, Harvesters. 12, Imprison. 14, Centaur. 16, Unload. 19, Evils. 20, Give.

Word search Answers

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Sudoku Answers

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Safeguarding

If you have any safeguarding concerns please contact our Parish Safeguarding officer via our website.

www.sjpchurch.co.uk/safeguarding

Accessibility

There is an accessible toilet at the back of Church.

We have large print hymn books if you need them.

For the hearing loop please switch your hearing aid to 'T'.

