

YF End of Term
BBQ & Social



Welcome to the August edition of our monthly newsletter

What better way to cool down after a hot day than with a water fight? We all had a fabulous time at the YF BBQ with great food, games and singing.

If you are new to our church please do introduce yourself to our welcome team. You can also fill out a contact card from the pews.

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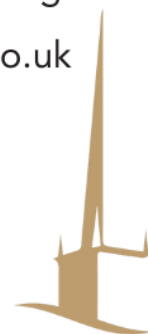
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Services in August

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Sunday 2nd August

8.00am Holy Communion

10.45am Sunday Worship*

Readings: Exodus 34:29-35 Acts 6:8-15

Friday 7th August 10.30am: Holy Communion

Sunday 9th August

10.45am Sunday Worship (HC)*

Readings: Isaiah 66:1-2 Acts 7:1-8:3

Sunday 16th August

10.45am Sunday Worship* (*Joint Benefice*)

Readings: Isaiah 52:7-10 Acts 8:4-25

Friday 21st August 10.30am: Holy Communion

Sunday 23rd August

10.45am Sunday Worship (HC)*

Readings: Isaiah 53 Acts 8:26-40

Sunday 30th August

10.45am Sunday Worship (HC)*

Readings: Isaiah 6:1-10 Acts 9:1-19a

We pray for: Bob Hughes, Margaret Gilbert, Audrey Griffiths, Anne-Marie Glenn, Vic Fielding, Jeannette Worth, the Hamilton-Browns, Jan Shrapnell, Joanna Danak, Margaret Humphreys, Andrew, David Gilbert and Peter Hinchliffe

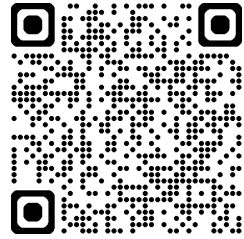
Please let Clair know of names to be added or removed.



St James' August Diary

For all the latest updates go to www.stjamestrowbridge.co.uk/whats-on

There is no Rector's Reflection this month but if you do feel in need of some spiritual inspiration you can listen to previous sermons on our Spotify account, website or Youtube channel. [Full details on our website.](#)



Advanced Notice: The church building will be closed for essential work from Monday 7th September until Friday 25th September. During this time our ministry will continue. The service on Sunday 13th will take place in an alternate venue and the following Sunday we will be back in church.

Sat 1st	9.30am	Band Practice in Church
Sun 2nd	12noon	Quarter Peal Attempt
Tues 4th	10.30am	Fellowship and Crafts (Pat Doel's house)
Thurs 13th	6.30pm	Soup Run Duty
Sat 15th	7.00pm	SDGR Devizes Branch Practice
Tues 18th	10.30am	Fellowship and Crafts (Pat Doel's house)
Thurs 20th	6.30pm	Soup Run Duty
Sat 22nd	9.30am	Visiting Ringers from Shrivenham
Sun 23rd	12noon	10/12 Bell Quarter Peal
Thurs 27th	11.00am	Goodson Lodge Service
Sat 29th	9.30am	Band Practice in Church



**Coffee Corner is open throughout the month:
Mon, Tues, Wed & Sat 10.00am to 12.00 noon**

Please note Coffee Corner will be closed on Monday 31st August

Keeping the coffee corner open is an integral part of St James' ministry and outreach to our wider community. We currently have various gaps on the weekday and Sunday rota, please prayerfully consider helping out in this important service. Speak to Cath Senior or Barbara King for more information.

Prayer Chain: We now have a dedicated email address for all your prayer requests, please email: prayers@stjamestownbridge.co.uk

MONDAY OFFICE

A Short service of Morning Prayer on Mondays from 9 to 9.30am in church.

Mothers' UNION
Christian care for families

MU will be taking a break during August

BELL NEWS: Quarter Peal attempts are planned for the tower band on the 2nd and Devizes Branch on the 23rd both after morning service.



On the 15th between 5pm and 6pm the tower will be open to visiting ringers to raise funds for the Llewellyn Edwards Bell Restoration Fund. The fund makes grants towards the restoration and augmentation of church bells in the Diocese of Salisbury.

The Devizes Branch SDGR 10/12 practice follows in the evening from 7 - 9pm.

On the 22nd we are expecting ringers from Shrivenham between 9.30 - 10.15am.

Bell Ringing practice takes place every Wednesday, 7pm until 9pm

Richard and Christine would like to say a huge thank you to the many people in our Church who helped make our Wedding Day so special.

Special thanks to the Flower Team, the Bell Ringers, John Horsey, Jake, Clair, and Becca for all your help and kindness in making the day run so well. We feel truly blessed. X



Storehouse Foodbank not only provides clients with support in the form of food parcels, but in other numerous and diverse ways too.

Each week around 200 people are fed through the food bank. They might be couples, single people or families who have fallen on hard times, whether its loss of a job, an unexpected expense and a budget that only supports their day to day needs or another crisis.

Currently the weekly Community lunch feeds about 30-40 people, again these are a mixture of people including street homeless.

Showers and laundry facilities are provided for clients, particularly those who are homeless, where they can be invaluable not only to their physical well being, but their mental well being too.

There are certain things which are always needed, such as toiletries; particularly men's toiletries, laundry items and loo rolls. UHT milk is invaluable, particularly for clients without a fridge, meals whether tinned or microwavable, rice, as well as items that will support families during the school holidays.

Currently tinned vegetables are particularly needed such as potatoes, tomatoes, carrots, sweetcorn and mixed vegetables. Donations of alcohol, or foods containing alcohol or alcohol flavouring cannot be accepted.

Please remember the work of the foodbank in your prayers and thank you for your generous and continued support *Ann Cook*



**OUR CHARITY
FOCUS**



**June, July &
August**

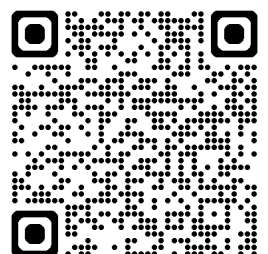
It was lovely to have Helen from Safe families, Home for Good join us on Sunday 19th July and a huge thank you to all those who have donated money and signed up. If you missed it you can watch the service again on our YouTube Channel.

If you felt inspired to help support a family there are 3 ways you can get involved. You could become a **volunteer**, offer financial support with regular **monthly giving** or sign up as a prayer partner to **pray for the work** of Safe Families.

Safe Families requires all **volunteers** to go through a seven step 'safer recruiting' programme that includes:

- Completing an application form
- Three written references
- DBS check
- Home assessment
- Attending training prior to coming into contact with families and regular ongoing training events
- Approval by a review panel receiving a formal accreditation letter and signing a volunteer agreement.

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer speak to Nikki Callier who has been through the process. You can also find more information on their [website](#)



Children & Families



Over August all our regular groups stop and we give the leaders a well deserved break. Looking back on the last academic year, we give thanks to God for all he has done through the Children and Families ministry at St James'. All the glory and praise goes to him. But I also want to take this opportunity to say thank you to all the leaders who have served in the Children and Families work this last year. It has been a privilege serving the Lord Jesus alongside you.

As we look ahead to the next academic year, please pray that as we proclaim Christ, grow disciples and love Trowbridge in all our groups, that God would continue to grow his church here at St James'. Nick



Back in the hall
Wednesday 2nd September!

CALLING ALL PRIMARY SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN



Back in church
Sunday 6th September!

WHO LET THE DADS OUT?

Saturday 12th September

Toys for the Kids, Tea, Coffee & Great Food,
St James Parish Church Hall

9.30 - 11am





St Leonard's Keevil



Sunday 2nd August

9.15am Sunday Worship

Readings: Exodus 34:29-35 Acts 6:8-15

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Sunday 30th August

6.00pm BCP Choral Evensong

Readings: TBC Acts 9:1-19a

Coming up at St Leonard's



Summer at St Leonard's update: a big thank you to all who supported the Summer at St Leonard's event on 4th July. We raised £1060.01, a tremendous result. It was great fun too!

Friday 4th September, 7pm: We are hosting an organ recital in aid of the church roof fund. Do join us for an evening of ancient and modern music.

Church Wardens: Gill Gosling: 01380 870553 Debbie Meatyard: 07954 117515

St Leonard's Church, Keevil

7 p.m. Friday 4th September 2026

**Keith Strickland, a village organist,
will play a selection of music
ancient and modern**

Donations, please, to the church roof repair fund

Drinks and savouries will be available

