

A Prayer for the Ukraine

God of peace and justice,
we pray for the people of Ukraine today.
We pray for peace and the laying down of
weapons.
We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,
that your Spirit of comfort would draw near
to them.
We pray for those with power over war or
peace,
for wisdom, discernment and compassion
to guide their decisions.
Above all, we pray for all your precious chil-
dren, at risk and in fear, that you would hold
and protect them.
We pray in the name of Jesus,
the Prince of Peace.
Amen.



Pastoral Visiting

If you would like the opportunity for a longer
chat than time affords after a church service
please feel free to contact me. Thank you.
Rev. Ian

Giving at St James

If you wish to make a donation towards the ministry
of St. James, or indeed need to pay for a specific
service, please speak to Rev Ian or the Churchward-
ens. Alternatively, you can scan the QR code in this
notice. Thank you.



My notes

Women's Refuge

We have been in contact with an organisation
which runs a Women's Refuge and have
offered to supply morse bags containing practical
essentials for women and children fleeing domestic
violence.

We would need folk to help make morse bags and
a collection of things to go in the bags. Ideally we
would have 3 types of bags - adults, school age
and and pre-school. They would contain things like
toothbrush (with case) , toothpaste, flannel, hand-
towel, wipes, deodorant, soap/bodywash/shower gel,
shampoo & conditioner and hairbrush/combs.
Moisturisers for adults, colouring books and felts for
children , sweets (like Haribo - they will last, etc
would not go amiss either! Please see Ian if you want
more information. Someone has also suggested
baby/make-up wipes and fluffy socks!!

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20th April 2025

Easter Day



10.30am Communion Service

Welcome and notices

Opening words (*page 1*)

Song: Led like a lamb (374)

Confession (*pages 2-4*)

Gloria (*page 5*)

Collect

Readings: Acts 10:34-43

Song: He has risen

Gospel reading: John 20:1-18

Sermon

Apostles' Creed (*page 44*)

Prayers

The Peace

Song: Resurrection hymn

Communion Prayer D (*page 28*)

The Lord's Prayer (*page 12*)

Share Communion

Post Communion prayer (*page 16*)

Song: Jesus Christ is risen today (339)

Blessing and Dismissal (*page 17*)

Large print service books are available.

If you have a word, vision or story you want to share with us please
speak to a Ian or one of the wardens before the service. If you need
assistance with large-print books or the auditory loop please let us
know.



NOTICES

Dates for your diary

Sunday 20th April:

10:30am - Easter Day Communion Service

Monday 21st April:

10:30am - Prayer meeting @ Hawthorn Road cancelled

Tuesday 15th April:

1:15pm - Stay and Play

Wednesday 16th April:

1:00pm - Place of Welcome

Sunday 27th April:

8:00am - Communion Service

10:30am - Service of the Word



Plants Plus



Plants Plus takes place this year on Saturday 17th May. Please could folk start collecting the plastic trays that fruit and vegetables come in from the supermarkets and leave them at the back of church? We would also be really grateful for any donations towards the raffle and cake stall. And, of course, if anyone is able to help by running a stall we would love to hear from you. Please speak to Jenny B or Revd. Ian. Thank you.

Electoral roll

Please do not forget to complete an electoral roll form we have to renew the electoral roll every five years and this is one of those years. It means the roll starts from zero and, if you do not fill in a form, you will not be on it! Of course you can always join later but the roll has to close ahead of our annual meetings.

KEY MINISTRIES



Our next Messy takes place on **4th May** and we will be thinking about **Caring for Creation**. Please pray for those who plan and deliver this ministry as we look ahead for ideas for upcoming gatherings. Any offers to help with crafts, to cook, chatting to guests and tidying up would be **really helpful**. Please see Rev Ian or Jenny B for more information.

Stay & Play

Stay and Play runs every Tuesday in term time from 1:15pm. It's an opportunity for parents/carers and their children to meet and play. Please tell folk about it and, if you want a flyer or a card to help, or indeed would like to help support this ministry, please see Rev Ian.



A space which offers coffee, tea, biscuits, cakes and sandwiches along with conversation, board games, computer access, advice and so forth. Please come along or invite anyone who might find it of value.

Mission Partners

We pray for the work of **TEARFUND** and their mission to see people freed from poverty, living transformed lives, and fulfilling their God-given potential. We pray for partnerships with Christians, local churches and organisations around the world, as they seek to equip people to lift themselves out of poverty and fulfil their God-given potential.

News from the Food Bank

The food bank has an urgent need for::



- ♦ Tinned fruit and veg
- ♦ Chocolate/snacks
- ♦ Tuna/hotdogs/meatballs
- ♦ Tea/coffee/hot chocolate
- ♦ Long life/evaporated milk
- ♦ Ready made custard
- ♦ Dried noodles, pasta & rice
- ♦ Pasta/curry sauces
- ♦ Stuffing/gravy
- ♦ Jam, honey, spreads
- ♦ Tins of baked beans, beans and sausages, macaroni cheese & chilli con carne
- ♦ Baby products - wet wipes, nappies size 4-6
- ♦ Toothpaste, Shower gel, Deodorant
- ♦ Shampoo & Razors
- ♦ Housecleaning products
- ♦ Toilet and kitchen roll

Prayer Focus



Those who are either unwell or need special prayers:

Maureen B, Brenda M, Mavis M, Brenda P, Janet C, Mike S, Barry G, Thelma H and Stephen R.

We pray for Carol and her family as they mourn the death of Margaret M. We also pray for Janet and Graham C as they mourn Janet's aunt Olive.

We pray for our church family and this week we pray for Mary and Timothy N and Onyeka O.

We pray for all those who live or work, travel along The Rise, The Sanctuary and Viewfield Road.