St James's Day Weekend

Friday 12 July 10am-4pm

A Floral Celebration spanning 150 years of weddings and baptisms with dresses, gowns, shawls, robes and impressive flower arrangements.

Churchyard through the year is the work of the Shell Seekers, our Sunday School. The exhibition shows some of the varied flowers and animals seen in the churchyard through the seasons.

Light refreshments will be available all day in church.

Saturday 13 July 10am-6pm

A Floral Celebration continues.

Community Day As part of the Hampton Hill Summer Festival, from midday you may board a vintage bus in the High Street to the church. Remember to pick up a copy of the history booklet, *New Hampton and Hampton Hill in Victorian and Edwardian Times* in church or from the High Street shops. Do enter the history competition; there are delicious prizes to be won.

From **12noon-2.30pm** and **4pm-6pm** there will be a chance to climb the tower, offering unrivalled views, and ring the bells.

At **3pm** there will be a *Victorian Concert*, performed by musicians of Hampton Hill Junior School, taking visitors back to 1863. It features instrumental ensembles and the school choirs, both performing music on a Victorian theme from Elgar to the Music Hall.

Light refreshments will be available in church from 10am-12noon. There will be refreshments and cakes in the Church Hall from 12noon-6pm.

Sunday 14 July 11am-3pm

At**11am** Parish Communion will celebrate **St James's Day**. Joining us for the occasion will be the Very Revd Dr David Ison, Dean of St Paul's Cathedral.

Celebration Lunch will be afterwards in the vicarage garden. There will also be a refreshments stall, offering drinks for sale. There will be a **bouncy castle** for the children.

A Floral Celebration continues.

The church will re-open from **1pm-3pm**, giving visitors the chance to climb the tower and ring the bells.

Our Church

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CLERGY

Vicar

The Revd Peter Vannozzi (pictured, right) Peter was born in Hanwell in 1962, but owes his surname to his Italian great-grandfather. He was ordained in 1987. Peter chairs the Board of Governors of Hampton Hill Junior School and is a Trustee of the Hampton and Hampton Hill Voluntary Care Group. Telephone: 020 8979 2069 Email: vica@stiames-hamptonhill.org.uk



The Revd David Bell

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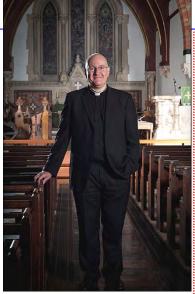
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From the Vicar

This month's *Spire* is a very special edition, marking the 150th anniversary of St James's Church. You will see that certain strands of church life have continued through the whole of that time — not least a spirit of service towards the wider community and the world.



Thank you to all who have been involved in, and contributed to, this edition.

July sees the celebration of St. James's Day, with the Dean of St. Paul's, the Very Revd Dr David Ison, coming to preach on Sunday 14 July at 11am at the Parish Communion. The whole weekend is one of rejoicing, with a Floral Celebration throughout the weekend; a Community Day on Saturday, tying in with the Hampton Hill Summer Festival and vintage bus rides, and a concert that afternoon from children from Hampton Hill Junior School. There will also be the opportunity to go up the tower, and ring the bells.

A vigil of prayer will be kept, too. Do come and celebrate.

Best wishes

Peter

Peter Vannozzi

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Come and worship with us!

You will receive a warm welcome at any of our services. Children of all ages are welcome and we provide a safe area in which they may play. We also run a Sunday School, the Shell Seekers, from 9.25am every Sunday (except the first in the month), during school terms. Newcomers welcome.

Sundays

8am Holy Communion 9.30am Parish Communion

Sunday 7 July — 6th Sunday of Trinity Isaiah 66.10-14; Galatians 6.7-16; Luke 10.1-11,16-20

Sunday 14 July — St James's Day 11am Parish Communion Jeremiah 45.1-5; Acts 11.27 - 12.2; Matthew 20.20-28

Sunday 21 July — 8th Sunday of Trinity Genesis 18.1-10a; Colossians 1.15-28; Luke 10.38-42 Sunday 28 July — 9th Sunday of Trinity Genesis 18.20-32 Colossians 2.6-15 Luke 11.1-13

Mondays-Fridays (not Tues) 9.15am Morning Prayer

Tuesdays 9.30am Holy Communion

1st Thursday in month 4 July 2pm Holy Communion

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Betty Stewart's lasting legacy

AS THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND agonises over the ordination of women bishops, it is worth remembering that the Revd Betty Stewart, who died on 20 May, aged 87, had to overcome similar opposition just to be a priest.

Betty was born and brought up in Stanley Road, Teddington, living over her parents' sweet shop. She started her Christian journey at the age of nine, arriving at St James's every Sunday with a next-door neighbour. As she later said, 'You never know what might happen when you invite someone to church with you!'

It was the start of her lifelong connection with St James's, first as a Sunday School teacher for a remarkable 45 years, and then as a priest. You can read more about her achievements in The Spire's anniversary issue and there is more on our website.

In her working life as a NHS administrator, Betty had to tackle two hospital closures, but she felt a strong calling to serve the Church. She first helped the chaplain at Springfield Hospital, a psychiatric unit in South London, and then, after taking a lay readers' course, was licensed to Springfield.

Betty's wish to go further was held back only by the Church's attitude to women priests. Soon, however, the pressure for change was overwhelming and in 1991, despite being 66, Betty seized the chance to join an ordination course in Southwark.

On 3 October 1993 a large congregation, many from St James's, filled Southwark Cathedral to see her ordained deacon, and a year later priest. Betty was licensed to the parish church of St Mary Magdalene, Wandsworth Common, before transferring to St. James's Church.

Betty is remembered as kind, compassionate, with a keen sense of humour, and dedicated in her roles at home, at work, and within the church. Her funeral service was held at St James's on 4 June, attended by her late brother's wife, who lives in Edinburgh, and her many friends.

Fundraisers bring in the money





CONGRATULATIONS to Liz Butler and her daughter, Kirsty, above, who recently took part in the *Moon Walk* in aid of breast cancer research. They walked nearly 14 miles

overnight through the streets of Battersea and Chelsea wearing their decorated bras. Liz, a former churchwarden, is grateful to members of the congregation who sponsored her. She and Kirsty raised over $\pounds1000$.

Our thanks also go to Liz Wilmot, top right, and Linda Webb for organising the Christian Aid week collection, and to all who donated, collected and counted so that we could help some of the world's most vulnerable people. We raised a total of £3937, including £465 in Gift Aid.

Jean Wilson's birthday surprise

WE WERE DELIGHTED to see Jean Wilson back at St. James's on 26 May. Having celebrated her 90th birthday earlier in the month she, and

her daughter Rosalind and son-in-law Fraser, joined members of the congregation after Parish Communion to chat and share a cake and a glass of fizz.





with Griselda Barrett

Teddington Theatre Club

Sunday 30 June to Saturday 6 July, **Tons of Money**, 7.45pm, Hampton Hill Playhouse, 90 High Street,

Hampton Hill TW12 1NZ This was the first of the legendary Aldwych Farces. Alan Ayckbourn's revised version had a successful run at the National Theatre. Spend a balmy summer evening in the company of Aubrey Allington and enjoy his devious efforts. Tickets £14 (members £12)

Peter Vannozzi's Silver Jubilee

Wednesday 3 July, 7.30pm, St James's Church, Hampton Hill

Peter will celebrate his silver jubilee of ordination to the priesthood with a sung eucharist. This service will be followed by food and drink. All are welcome!

Car-free Sunday

Sunday 7 July, St James's Church, Hampton Hill Car-free Sunday is an



opportunity for us to take personal, positive and constructive measures to reduce greenhouse gases in our community. Cars are hugely responsible for the deteriorating quality of our air and the related health problems associated with them. These issues are no longer limited just to large cities like London. Recent studies have shown that the amount of smog in the Richmond area is as bad as in the city itself.

Car Free Day is not about just eliminating the use of your car for one day. It's about coming to understand the short and long-term effects of the continual use of the car. It's about looking into alternative options to the car – such as bus, train, cycling, car-pooling or walking.

With growing evidence about global warming, now is the perfect time to take the heat off the planet, and urge city planners and politicians to give priority to cycling, walking and public transport, instead of to the car.

Concordia Voices

Sunday 7 July, 7.30pm, Summer Concert, St John the Divine, Richmond, TW9 2PE Tickets £12 (concessions



£10) on door, or £10 (£8) in advance from Concordia Voices members, or by emailing secretary@concordiavoices.org

Registers for May Michael Thomas Baptisms Perrett and Kristy 🔵 Isaac Henry Louise Carter Shilson, Hampton Hampton Finn William **Funerals** Vincent, Hampton Hill Malcolm James D Fanning, 67, Weddings Feltham C Richard Peter Wilson 8 David Robert Edwards, 72, and Ashley Kay Clifford, Vauxhall, Hampton London SW8 Biladys ... Watson, 89, Gladys Irene Jamie Lee Bays and Michelle Hampton Hill Louise Jarvis. Hanworth



Saturday 13 July, various locations along High Street The event features music, rides, stalls and hot food.

St James's Day

Sunday 14 July, from 11am, St James's Church, Hampton Hill We will be joined at the 11am Parish Communion by the Very Revd Dr David Ison, Dean of St Paul's Cathedral.



Alma Sunday Celebration Eucharist

Sunday 14 July, 6pm, St Paul's Cathedral, St Paul's Churchyard, London EC4M 8AD Bishop Andre Soares, Bishop of



Angola, will be present to mark 15 years of our diocesan link with the Anglican church in Angola and Mozambique. No ticket required. For more info email: almacoordinator@london.anglican.org

TW12 Jazz Festival

Sunday 21 July, 11.30am-10.30pm, Hampton Hill Playhouse, 90 High Street, Hampton Hill TW12 1NZ Featuring local performers, Richmond Music Trust students and internationally-known jazz artists, including Jason Rebello, Partikel and Prison Break. Tickets £10-£20, from tw12jazzfestival.co.uk.

Open Air Cinema

Saturday 27 and Sunday 28 July, 7.30pm, Hampton Court Palace gardens

The stunning East Front lawns will be the setting for a unique cinematic experience. Saturday's film is *Grease*; on Sunday, *Some Like it Hot.* Tickets are £16.50 for adults; children (5-15) £12.50, from: thelunacinema.com

Prudential Ride London

Saturday 3 and Sunday 4 August, in Bushy Park, Hampton Court, Kingston, and surrounding roads Professional cycling returns to the roads and parks of London. For information on road closures and disruption to public transport go to: prudentialridelondon.co.uk

Community Lunch

Saturday 17 August, 12 noon, Greenwood Centre, School Road, Hampton Hill TW12 1QL

As part of our 150th celebrations, this lunch is in aid of the Voluntary Care Group. Come with friends, make new friends. Tickets are £15 for two courses and a glass of wine, available from the Parish Office.





Young Spire with Prill Hinckley

Saint James Colour in the picture

Choose the correct word in red

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Saints who were chosen as special protectors or guardians over certain things like occupations, illnesses, churches, countries, causes, in
fact anything that is important to us are called Secular saints / Patron saints / Flying saints.

• Records show that people and schools / factories / churches were named after apostles and martyrs as early as 4th Century.

• Our patron saint is Saint Andrew / Saint Peter / Saint James.

• He was son of Zebedee and Salome, brother of Saint John the Apostle, and may have been Jesus' cousin. He is actually called Saint James the Important / Greater / First because he became an Apostle before Saint James the Lesser.

- He was a disciple of Saint John the Baptist and his job was a fisherman / carpenter / tax collector.

- James is described as one of the first disciples to join Jesus. He left everything when Christ called him to be a fisher of men on the shores

of the IVERR AJNORD

James was in the GNEADR of GSEMEANTHE ______ as one of the few apostles who accompanied Jesus there.
He fell asleep while Jesus YEDPAR ______ before being arrested on the orders of Pontius Pilate.

The Acts of the Apostles records that he was martyred by beheading at the hands of Herod Agrippa around 43 AD. He was the first of

the Apostes to be martyred. He was buried in EESAJUMLR ______ but it is claimed that in 830 A.D. his relics were transferred to Santiago de SCOAOLMTPE in Spain.

His shrine at Compostela was, and still is, one of the greatest centres of pilgrimage. There are cockle / mussel / snail shells on the beaches
of Galacia in Northern Spain where his relics were brought on the way to Compostela and these were adopted as symbols of St. James.

Cockle Shell Hunt Where can you find these cockle shell symbols in and around the church?









Anniversary Latest News

We are St James's! Sunday 19 May

About 60 people gathered for a service celebrating our belonging to St. James's. The congregation all moved to the font and, as a reminder of baptism, were sprinkled with water. Then those people who had married at St. James's came forward, and were prayed for.

People of different ages recalled the significance of these occasions. The music reflected that often used at weddings.

The service ended with a rousing playing of Widor's Toccata.

The festival brought together singers from churches in the deanery, including St James's, to sing in celebration of our 150th anniversary year.

All joined together to sing evensong, with a theme of *Dedication*, directed by St James's Choirmaster Samuel Draper. The event saw the return of organist Mark Blackwell. The afternoon was a happy, relaxed rehearsal.

Fortified by tea and cake, the celebration culminated in joyous, yet reflective, evensong. Introit (Opening)

The sung portion of the mass began with *If ye love me* by the



Mark Blackwell and Samuel Draper Ilminated in answers this with

preces, as the officiant. Evening Prayer

Musically, the most important texts for Anglican church music

have been those of the Psalter and the four canticles. The singers gave a superb performance of the *Magnificat* and *Nunc dimittis*. Anthem

An anthem is a choral composition with a sacred text. The singers gave a worthy performance of *How lovely are thy dwellings* by the German Romanic composer Johannes Brahms (1833 – 97). This is a choral setting of Psalm 84, sung in German.

The result was a remarkable achievement by singers, organist and choirmaster and enjoyed by all.





Deanery Singers' Festival Saturday 8 June

English Renaissance composer Thomas Tallis (ca. 1505 – 1585). **Preces and Responses (according to the Book of Common Prayer 1662)** In the Anglican service of Evening Prayer, preces refers to a phrase, often from scripture, which is recited or sung by the

Samuel Draper officiant. The choir or congregation answers this with a response. Father Alex Lane sang the