

WELCOME



Dear Neighbour

Spring is customarily a hopeful time. Lent marks the lengthening of the days; that's a sure sign that Spring is coming. There are waves of flowers and blossoms - all bringing colour and new life.

However, hope is coloured by fear that some events may have to be cancelled if coronavirus (Covid-19) spreads. Check our website for any changes.

For now we are planning a full programme of events including the joyous Mothering Sunday service and the very special times in Holy Week and Easter. We also have dates for the Pop-Up Cinema and another Alistair Griffin concert. Please follow updates on the church website: www.stjames-hamptonhill.org.uk

Lent and Holy Week in church are times of reflection and consideration of the hardships in life. But they come to a triumphant conclusion on Easter Sunday when we celebrate that Jesus snatches victory from the jaws of defeat. Now that he is alive, we need never fear the dark times in our life. We can hope and know that he is with us, the resurrected and ascended Lord.

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SPIRE MAGAZINE



Our free Spire magazine is published nine times a year and can be found in local shops as well as church. We deliver locally and post further afield. It can also be read and downloaded from our website. To receive it by email contact the Church Office (details above).

MARCH-JUNE 2020

YOU'RE INVITED

CINEMA - MUSIC - EVENTS SERVICES



SERVICES REGULAR

Sundays

8am Holy Communion (said)

9:30am Parish Communion (children's groups running during the service, except during school holidays)

11am Together at Eleven (except 22 Mar, 5, 26 Apr)

A shorter service, particularly for children and parents, with lively songs and hands-on activities.

SEASONAL

In Lent Compline

8pm 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 March, 5, 6, 7, 8 April

A short contemplative service of prayers

Sun 22 March Mothering Sunday

10am This family-friendly service, with familiar songs, is the perfect way to celebrate the role women play in our lives. Every woman will receive a floral gift.



Sun 5 April Palm Sunday

9:30am A family-friendly service that begins with a parade of palms around the local streets.

Thu 9 April Maundy Thursday

8pm This service re-tells Jesus sharing the Last Supper with his disciples, including the Washing of Feet. Followed by The Watch for an hour of contemplation.

Fri 10 April Good Friday

9:30am This family-friendly service includes making the Easter Garden.

2pm An Hour at the Cross, marking the crucifixion.

Sun 12 April Easter Day

6am Celebrate the start of Easter at the Dawn Service, followed by breakfast.

9:30am Parish Communion celebrates the Easter joy, followed by an Easter Egg Hunt in the vicarage garden.

Sun 24 May Choral Evensong

4pm Join us for a special service of music led by our choir. There has been a resurgence in interest in evensong right across the UK. Why not come and experience it for yourself? Followed by tea and cake.

EVENTS

Ark Playgroup

Mondays (during school terms)

10:15am-12:15pm Our playgroup for carers and unders 5s meets for arts and crafts, worship, singing and play. It costs £2 per family, including drinks!



Drop-in to Connections

with a free NHS Hearing Aid Clinic

Tuesdays: 7 Apr, 5 May, 2 Jun

10:30am-12:30pm Open to everyone who enjoys company over coffee and cake. There is a free drop-in NHS Hearing Aid Clinic where you can get devices serviced. Play a board game or carpet bowls, try your hand at a new craft - and much more besides. Bring friends, make new ones, and it's free!



Messy Church

Saturdays: 4 Apr, 2 May, 6 Jun



3-5pm Join us for a fun experience for all the family, involving crafts, games, songs and worship, followed by a meal. And it's all free! Church - but not as you know it!

Table-top Sale Saturday 9 May

12-4pm Snap up some bargains at our sale, including books, toys, jigsaw puzzles, jewellery, plants and crafts. Plus refreshments. **Entry £2**. Profits go to Christian Aid Week. To rent a table (£20) call 020 8941 6003.

Alistair's Summer Concert

Friday 12 June 7:30pm



You may not know the name, but you will almost certainly have heard his voice. Besides some Top Ten singles, Alistair Griffin's music is regularly played on TV and radio. Following a sell-out Christmas show, York's singer-songwriter returns with his band for a concert packed with his own songs, old and new, and some cover songs given the Griffin treatment. To book go to:

<https://stjamessummer.eventbrite.co.uk>

Tickets £20 / £10 children under 16

Limited VIP tickets £35 (Join Alistair for an exclusive pre-show acoustic performance. Plus seated in first three rows.)

CINEMA

Abominable (2019) 
Saturday 21 March 3:30pm



When mischievous friends Yi (Chloe Bennet), Jin, and Peng discover a young yeti on their roof, they name him Everest and embark on a thrilling adventure to reunite the magical creature with his family.

Precision-tooled to make children squeal The Times

Judy (2019) 

Saturday 25 April 6:30pm

Renée Zellweger gives an Oscar-winning, raw performance as the fragile Judy Garland who, 30 years after The Wizard of Oz, returns to London to perform to her loyal fans.

Zellweger is phenomenally good in this captivating account of Garland The Guardian

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DOORS OPEN 30 MINS BEFORE FILM STARTS



COMING SOON

Summer Holiday Club



Become a scientist and discover all about the world at our free Bible-based Holiday Club from **Tuesday 25-Friday 28 August**. Look out for more details in our next leaflet.