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Peter's day off is Friday - messages and emails left on Fridays will not be received by him until Saturday.

**NEWSLETTER – 28<sup>th</sup> February 2021**



Christ, Son of the living God, who for a season laid aside the divine glory and learned obedience through suffering: teach us in all our afflictions to raise our eyes to the place of your mercy and to find in you our peace and deliverance. We make our prayer in your name. Amen.

**Second Sunday in Lent**

Merciful Lord, grant your people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh and the devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow you, the only God; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**MESSAGE FROM THE MINISTER**

Hello again everyone! I am sure that we all feel more hopeful this week following Monday's announcement of the road map out of lockdown. It is wonderful that so many people are being vaccinated and that the other signs are positive. We are awaiting advice and updates from the Methodist and URC Churches, both of whom advised us against opening for worship earlier in the year. As soon as it is safe, we will be ready to open again and welcome you back. In the meantime, our Zoom Sunday Services, Telephone Worship and Worship sent out by post and email are available for you. Please continue to keep in touch and pray. Don't forget that today is the closing date for Steward Elder nominations.

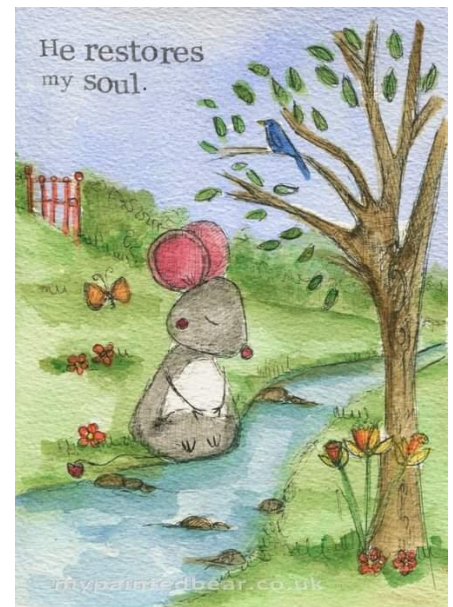
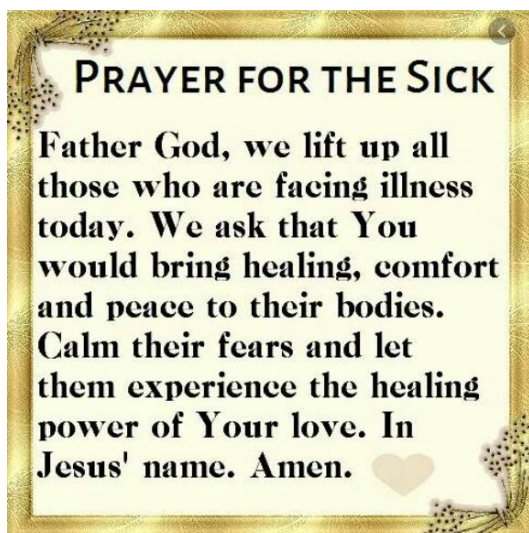
God Bless. Peter.

***Birthdays.***

For those who are celebrating a birthday this week, wishing you a wonderful time ahead. Sending you smiles for every moment of your special day... Have a wonderful time and a very happy birthday!

Everyone at St. James' wishes you a happy birthday and enjoy your day.

**PRAYERS NEEDED**



## The Lent Cross

### Sunday 28th February – Lent 2 The bread and wine.

After washing his Disciples feet, on the night before he died, Jesus shared bread and wine with his disciples.

Jesus told them that the bread was his body broken for them and that the wine was his blood, shed for them. The next day he gave his life for all as he died on the cross. Christians share in Communion, obeying Jesus's instruction to share bread and wine in remembrance of him.

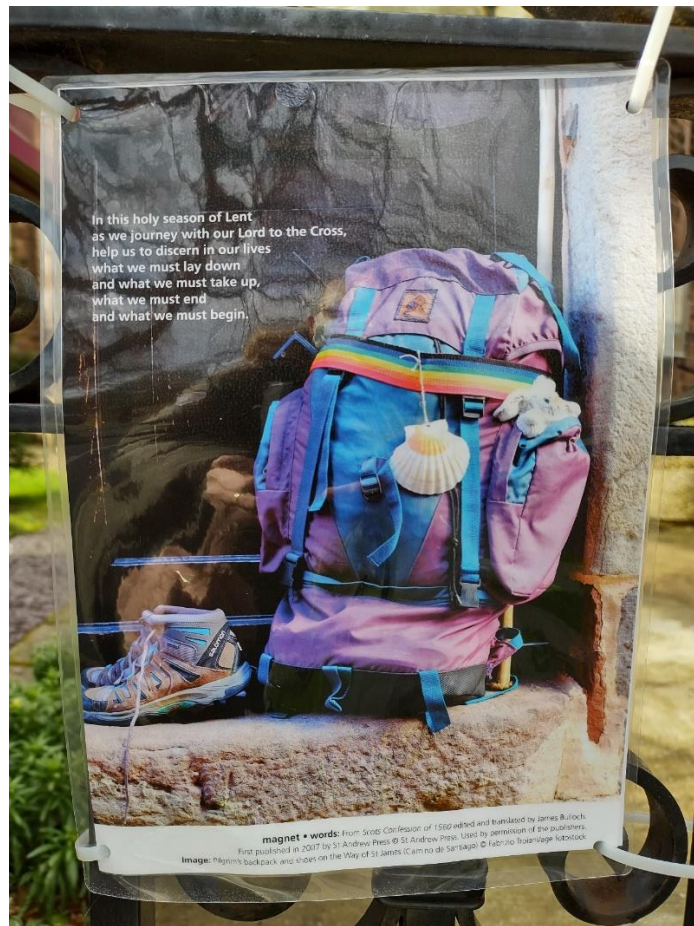
During the Covid 19 pandemic many Christians have not been able to share in Communion as usual. We look forward to being able to do so as soon as it is safe. In the meantime, we continue to remember what Jesus has done for us.

**“He offered his body, He poured out his soul; Jesus was broken, that we might be whole.”**



### *Picture from our Church Railings.*

This week's picture reminds me that it has been a long time since I have had my rucksack and walking boots on for a walk along the canal! I am hoping to get back to doing that after 29th March. In the meantime, our Lenten journey in the footsteps of Jesus continues. May we all leave behind negative thoughts and actions, whilst taking on loving and positive ones. May this week be a new beginning with God for you.





## **SUNDAY SERVICES**

**From St. James Church:-  
Invitation to Telephone Worship  
As reported in the Methodist Recorder!  
Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> February: 2.30pm  
(And now every Sunday until the end of March)**

This Sunday our preacher will be Steve Elliott.

**To join us** for a short (15-20 minutes) Act of Worship :

**Between 2.20pm and 2.30pm on Sunday:**

From your normal "landline" telephone: **Dial: 0333-006-7775**

On being asked, enter the following number, or "Pin": **08 39 09 01**

You will be able to chat with everyone else who joins until the service starts.

**This Sunday's Act of Worship, or short service, will comprise:**

### **Order of Worship:**

- Welcome and notices:
- Opening prayer (Host)
- Bible reading (Irene Elliott)
- Lord's Prayer (Host)
- Talk or "mini-sermon" (Steve Elliott)
- Prayers (Dave Dickson)
- Grace and dismissal. (Host)

**COST:** - The above number costs the same to dial as ordinary UK numbers – if you have "free minutes" from your telephone supplier then there will be no cost.

**ALSO – Morning Worship at St. James is now being held as a "Zoom" service.**

**Joining from 10.45 for an 11am start – Preacher: Revd. Peter Hughes**

**Either** click on this link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5913455610?pwd=R3RFV1RWU2NpKzJ1cTM1VFJ2STk4UT09>

**Meeting ID:** 591 345 5610

**Passcode:** 6WbLRw

We hope to see you there.

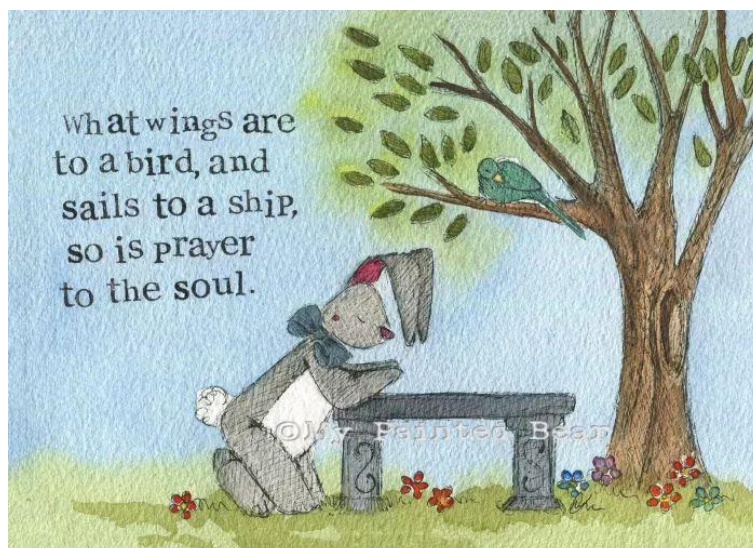
**PLEASE NOTE:** Where a preacher provides a copy of the words of their sermon, we will include this (after it has been preached) with our Church Notices and other Worship Material. – We do not want to waste a good sermon! even if it arrives a few days after it was preached.

**God Bless**

**Graham Martin**

Communications officer (and local preacher) St. James Church

[Call me on 0151-222-5832 or 07712-525239 if you have any questions]



## LAST WEEK'S CROSSWORD ANSWERS

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Across: 1 Jethro, 4 Moses, 7 Stormy, 10 Ruler, 11 End, 12 Lystra, 14 New, 15 Red, 16 Air, 20 Own, 21 Burden, 23 Foe, 24 Elihu, 25 Yields, 28 Argue, 29 Unseen.

Down: 1 Justly, 2 Two, 3 Ram, 4 Murder, 5 Splendid, 6 Straw, 8 Rot, 9 Year, 13 Standing, 17 Refuge, 18 Obey, 19 Unison, 20 Omega, 22 Rue, 26 Inn, 27 Lie.

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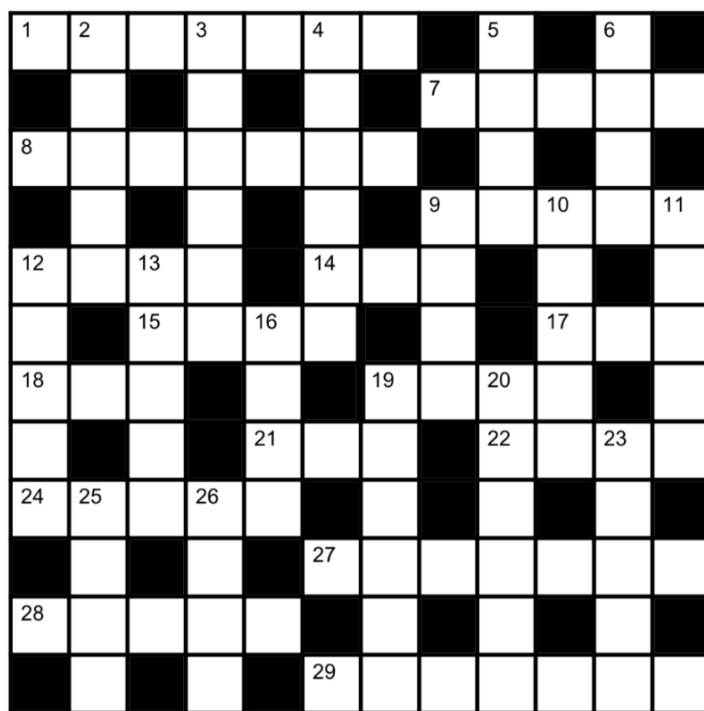
## THIS WEEK'S CROSSWORD

### Across

- 1 Story of Jesus (7)
- 7 Roman Procurator (5)
- 8 Early Christian city (7)
- 9 Propose (5)
- 12 Appeal (4)
- 14 Greater light (3)
- 15 Secret plan (4)
- 17 Pot (3)
- 18 Fire remnant (3)
- 19 Yoked pair (4)
- 21 Thief (3)
- 22 Lazy (4)
- 24 Walls (5)
- 27 Bathsheba, when David saw her (7)
- 28 Flat (5)
- 29 Loosening (7)

### Down

- 2 Bring to naught (5)
- 3 Ark passenger (6)
- 4 Pest (6)
- 5 Not hearing (4)
- 6 Last supper drink (4)
- 9 Precious stone (4)
- 10 Lost no more (5)
- 11 Run under water (5)
- 12 Talks to God (5)
- 13 Sacred vestment (5)
- 16 Belonging to us (4)
- 19 Acquire (6)
- 20 Moses' age when he spoke to Pharaoh (6)
- 23 Sheets (5)
- 25 Land in the water (4)
- 26 Wicked (4)



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## NEWSLETTER NOTICES NEXT WEEK



If you would like to share anything with your Church family in this newsletter including any birthdays, celebrations, or anyone to include in our prayers, please let me know.

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