

Welcome to the Parish Church of St. James, Thrapston

**“When the Lord comes will he find faith on earth?”
(Luke 18)**

WHAT’S ON IN NOVEMBER

Sun 6th	9.30 am	Family Worship— <i>God Speaks - Is the message getting through?</i> (1 Kings 18)
Wed 2nd	10 am	Holy Communion
Sun 13th	9.30 am	Family Communion “Preparing for the return of Jesus” (Matthew 25: 1– 13)
	3 pm	Remembrance Service “The courage to do what is right!” (Luke 10: 25-27)
Sun 20th	9.30 am	Family Communion “Living in the expectation of Jesus’ Return” (Matthew 25: 14-30)
Sun 27th	9.30 am	Advent Sunday -Family Communion “Loving as Jesus Himself loves” (Matthew 25:31-46)

December

Sun 4th	9.30 am	Family Worship <i>Encouraging one another to get ready for Jesus’ return</i> (Romans 13: 11-14, Matthew 24: 36-44)
----------------	----------------	--

The Church is open every Saturday 10 am to 12 noon
www.stjamesthrapston.co.uk

A WARM WELCOME TO YOU ALL

Please feel free to stay in the Church for a cup of tea or coffee and a chat after the service.

If you would also like someone to pray with you there will be an opportunity in the chancel at the end of the service.

Operation Christmas Child.

Please get involved, pick up a leaflet from the table and make a shoe box gift for a child in need. There will be a coffee morning in the Church Hall on Saturday November 5th in aid of the Shoe Box appeal.

Empty boxes are available too. Drop off dates for boxes 1-18 Nov, More details from Cindy McCormack, Lindsey Burch or Jean Fouhy 01832 735021

Party Time

St James are holding a Christmas party for children and grandchildren, age up to 11 years, from the Churches in Thrapston. The date is Tuesday 20th December from 2 pm to 4.30 pm. And ... there is no charge!

Welcome to JAMES Club!

We are delighted to announce that JAMES (Jesus And Me Every Sunday) Club is up and running again from this month for children in Reception to Year 6. We meet at 9.30 am in Church and then go across to the Church Hall returning about 10.30 am for drinks and biscuits.

For further details please contact Sue Bonar (731109).
All Saints Day—Sunday 06 November 2011



Please let our Pastoral Assistant, Lesley Baden (733186) know if you would like us to pray in Church or you or for someone else who is ill or bereaved.

Looking Ahead to December

Dec 11th 10.30 am—we welcome **Bishop Donald** the **Bishop of Peterborough**. The service of Holy Communion will be followed by an open ‘Question and Answer’ session and a special lunch together. All are very welcome. Tickets for the lunch will be on sale from 13th November.

4 pm—A Christingle Service at Holy Trinity Church, Denford

Dec 24th 4pm - “**Journey to the Centre of the Christmas Pudding**”.

An All-Age Nativity Service, with a difference!

A Note from the Tower Captain

Note the brightly lit entrance and the return of the bell ringers striking competition trophy. Yes our own Sunday service ringers won again. Well done to all.

Ray Banner

Bibles for Sale

There are still copies available of the fabulous **Children’s Bible**. This would make a stunning Christmas present (RRP £12 but for us, £9) We have already sold 20 so please contact Cath Jefferson (730814) if you would like to buy one as one way of “**Putting Christ back into Christmas!**”

There will be another opportunity to purchase your Christmas cards and crafts from Tear Fund in St James Hall on Saturday 12th November from 10am to 1pm .

WEEKDAY ACTIVITIES

Men's Prayer Breakfast on Saturday 5th November, 7.30 am at Thrapston Baptist Church, Sackville Street

Silver Threads every Monday in the Church Hall 10.30 am to 1 pm—Everyone over 65 welcome
Further details from Jan and Terry Edwards (734625)

Mother's Prayers meet every Monday at 9.30 am at 4 Mason Close to pray for our children. Please contact Sue Bonar (731109) or Cath Jefferson (730814) if you would like to join us

Prayer Meeting every MONDAY from 7 until 7.30 pm in St. James' Church

Coffee & Chat every TUESDAY morning 10 -12 noon. Fresh coffee and home made cakes. Meet and chat with old and new friends—all welcome at Thrapston Baptist Church

Bell Ringers meet every FRIDAY in St. James' Church. Newcomers always welcome. Phone Ray Banner (730767) or Chris Jenkins (01933 460691) for details

Jigsaw — The monthly magazine from the four churches is delivered to all residents. Articles are always welcome please contact June Davy (733586)

Home Groups—at various venues throughout the town where we meet together informally to study the Bible and to encourage one another in our Christian faith.

Tuesday 1st November at 2 Fisher Close— 7.30 pm
Wed 2nd November at 8 De Vere Road - 10.45 am
Thurs 17th November at 8 De Vere Road— 7.30 pm

For further details please contact: Rev Charles Jefferson, on 01832 730814 or at The Rectory, 48 Oundle Road, Thrapston.