



Outreach

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Meet Our Churchwarden

My name is Janet Hartley, I am the church warden at St. James Church Briercliffe and I would like to tell you just a little about myself.

I was born in Belfast and moved to Burnley 49 years ago to complete my midwifery training and I have worked in the community as a midwife until 2010 when I took early retirement. I am married to Shane, we have two children, Sarah and Michael and five grandsons who keep me very busy. I am an active member of the church being on the PCC, a Governor at St. James Lanehead School, Authorised Lay Ministry in Pastoral Care and now taking on the role of Church Warden as well as Safeguarding Officer.



We have a range of services and activities for everyone in the community. Why not take a look at what we offer and come and see us, you will be made very welcomed.

Ben's Recipe of the Month

Hearty Harvest Vegetable Soup (serves 6-8)

Ingredients:-

1 tbsp olive oil, 1 onion, diced, 2 carrots, sliced, 2 celery stalks, chopped, 1 cup chopped butternut squash
1 400g tin of chopped tomatoes, 950ml of vegetable stock, 1 cup of chopped kale,
1 400g tin of cannellini beans (drained and rinsed), Salt and pepper, to taste

Method:-

1. In a large pan, heat the olive oil over a medium heat. Add onions, carrots, celery and butternut squash. Sauté until vegetables are softened, usually about ten minutes.
2. Add diced tomatoes, vegetable stock, kale, and cannellini beans to the pan.
3. Bring the soup to a boil, then reduce the heat and simmer for about 20-30 minutes, until all the vegetables are tender.
4. Season with salt and pepper to taste before serving.

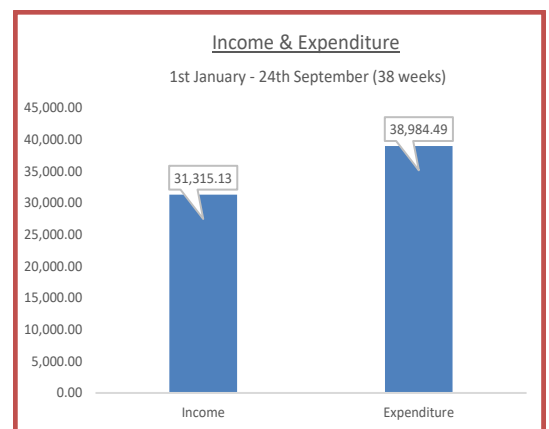
Christian Stewardship

You can regularly donate to St James Church, by direct debit, through the Parish Giving Scheme, or by scanning the QR code below, helping to support the ministry at St. James'. Further details are on a separate information sheet available in church and on the website, or have a word with Alec, our treasurer (see details at bottom of next page)



The adjacent graph shows the income & expenditure for the year to-date and that at present we have a shortfall of £7,669.36 over the year.

Please donate if you can and if you are a UK tax payer, you can gift aid it.



Notices

The Remembrance Sunday service is on the 12th November at 9.30am.

St James' Christmas Fair is on Saturday 18th November 2023
at 11.00am - 2.00pm in Briercliffe Community Centre, Jubilee Street.

St James Harvest Appeals 2023



Bishop Philip's Appeal for CRESS UK

CRESS UK (Christian Relief and Education for South Sudan) was founded in 2011 by Caroline Lamb, following her visit to Kajo Keji in 2009. This visit left Caroline very moved by the plight of the people, lack of education and health provision and poor infrastructure.

CRESS is supporting Bishop Joseph Aba and the people of the Liwolo diocese to live self-sufficient lives. Through education and training, South Sudanese people are being empowered with the knowledge and skills to establish self-sustaining communities.

You can donate in church on the plate on the Wardens table or online by scanning the QR code on the noticeboard.

Home-Start in East Lancashire

For the past 3 years, St James has supported Home-Start as part of its Harvest appeal. If you are able to support this year's appeal, any toiletries, nappies, new small toys or children's clothes would go straight to our families.

Home-Start in East Lancashire is part of a national federation of schemes but each charity is managed and funded independently at a local level. This ensures the local scheme is rooted in and sensitive to the needs of the local community.

Home-Start values family life and its importance for children and the community as a whole, recognising the pressures that can be part of having a young family. We aim to support families with at least one child under the age of 13 or parents-to-be who are facing difficulties, enabling them to cope with the pressures and reducing the potential for family crisis or breakdown. We do this by recruiting, training and supporting volunteers to visit families in their own homes or at family groups and building a relationship that meets the needs of the family.

If you know a family who may benefit from support, or someone who may be interested in volunteering (not only in family support, but as a trustee, advisor, admin or fundraising) and to find out more - the website and social media links are below:

<https://homestarteastlancs.org/> <https://www.facebook.com/HomeStartinEastLancs/>
<https://www.instagram.com/homestartineastlancashire/?hl=en>

The Harvest Thanksgiving service is on Sunday 15th October at 10.00am in church, when the Bishop of Blackburn the Rt Rev. Philip North will preside and preach.

St James Mothers' Union

The Burnley Deanery Mothers' Union 'Songs of Praise', was hosted by St James Mothers' Union on Saturday 16th September. 58 members from the Burnley Deanery attended the service which was very much enjoyed by all who attended.

Thank you to everyone who provided refreshments and who gave help, prior to, during and after the service,



Weekly Services at St. James'

Sunday - 10.00am. Sung Eucharist
Refreshments served in the vestry after the service

Wednesday - 9.30am. Said Eucharist
Refreshments served in the vestry after the service

Thursday - 6.00pm. Family Service

There is a prayer meeting in the vestry on
Monday's at 6.30pm.



* Don't forget to put your clocks back
1 hour at 2.00am on Sunday 29th October

Mothers' Union

Meetings in 2023
October 10th & 24th November 14th & 28th
in the church vestry at 7.00pm *All are welcome*

Briercliffe Wednesday Club

Meets on Wednesday the 11th & 25th October at 2.00pm.
in Briercliffe Community Centre

Burnley FC in the Community Food Bank

Donations of non-perishable goods
can be left at the back of church

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