



**St James the Great
Bierton
All Saints Hulcott
Sunday 20th June 2010
Third Sunday after Trinity**



If you are new to our church, greetings, and please make yourself known to a sidesperson or to the clergy. If you are a communicant of any Christian church, you are welcome to receive Holy Communion with us today. At St James there is an audio loop for those who use hearing aids. If you pay Tax, you are able to make your donation through Gift Aid. Gift Aid Envelopes are available please ask a sidesperson.

Parish Diary (All events at St James unless stated otherwise)

20 June Sunday Trinity 3	8am	Said Eucharist
	9am	Sung Eucharist
	11am	Family Service with Baptism
	6pm	Evensong
21 Monday	7.30pm	Bible Study at 19 Parson's Lane
23 Wednesday	7.30pm	PCC meeting at St James
24 Thursday	2pm	Said Eucharist at Hulcott Nursing Home
	4pm	Wedding Rehearsal
	7.30pm	Said Eucharist followed by DCC meeting
25 Friday	12 noon	Wedding
	2pm	Wedding
26 Saturday	10am	Church open for tea & coffee until noon
27 June Sunday Trinity 4	9am	Sung Eucharist
	11am	Sung Eucharist at All Saints
	11am	Sunday School
	6pm	Evensong

Prayers and Readings for Trinity 3

The Collect

God our saviour, look on this wounded world in pity and in power; hold us fast to your promises of peace won for us by your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen**

The First Lesson 1 Kings 19.1-15a

Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, 'So may the gods do to me, and more also, if I do not make your life like the life of one of them by this time tomorrow.' Then he was afraid; he got up and fled for his life, and came to Beer-sheba, which belongs to Judah; he left his servant there.

But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: 'It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors.' Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, 'Get up and eat.' He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. The angel of the LORD came a second time, touched him, and said, 'Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you.' He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God. At that place he came to a cave, and spent the night there. Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying, 'What are you doing here, Elijah?' He answered, 'I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away.'

He said, 'Go out and stand on the mountain before the LORD, for the LORD is about to pass by.' Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, 'What are you doing here, Elijah?' He answered, 'I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away.' Then the LORD said to him, 'Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram.'

The Second Lesson. Galatians 3.23-29

Before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ; There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

The Gospel. Luke 8.26-39

Jesus and his disciples arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, 'What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me' – for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) Jesus then asked him, 'What is your name?' He said, 'Legion'; for many demons had entered him. They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned. When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, 'Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you.' So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

Post Communion Collect

O God, whose beauty is beyond our imagining and whose power we cannot comprehend: show us your glory as far as we can grasp it, and shield us from knowing more than we can bear until we may look upon you without fear; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen.**

Notices

Are you interested in Pastoral Ministry, would you like to become a member of our Pastoral Care Team? We are looking for people who are interested in other people and are good listeners. What is involved? Visiting and supporting the sick bereaved, elderly or isolated people. Appropriate training will be given. If interested please speak to the Vicar.

We are hoping to take a parish group to Butlin's at Minehead for Spring Harvest between Saturday 9-Thursday 14 April 2011. Spring Harvest is a

Christian event that takes place over the School Easter holiday period. It's for people of all ages and church backgrounds and features inspirational Bible teaching, seminars, and spirit-filled worship. It's about one thing: deepening your walk with God, so you return home inspired to impact your community and your friends, for Jesus. More information is available from Hazel Butland or the Vicar and from www.springharvest.org.

Volunteers are needed to help with the following at St James. Tea and Coffee rota for both the 9am Sung Eucharist and Family Service and also the cleaning rota. We are also looking for someone to take on helping with printing of the pew sheet and parish magazine. Full training will be given where required.

Cream tea season is with us again, come along and enjoy a cup of tea, with scones, cream and jam in the peaceful and beautiful surroundings of All Saints Church Hulcott. Teas will be held on 18th July, 8th August and 5th September between 2.30-4pm

Dates for your diary: All Saints Summer Fete and Dog Show 10th July 2-4pm on the Village Green Hulcott. Offers of prizes for the raffles, bottles for the tombola etc will be welcomed for both events. Also that weekend on the 9th and 10th July 8pm at the Jubilee Hall the 'All Sorts' singers who sang so well at last years St James Harvest Supper will be holding 2 nights of entertainment including a Sausage and Mash Supper. Speak to Lynn regarding tickets which will cost £10 each.

Do you have anything to contribute to our Parish Magazine? If you have a contribution/report from a local organisation or club or a point of interest that you would like to raise, please send it by email to our editors Neil and Sandra Jolly at neil@njolly.freeserve.co.uk or pop it into the Vicarage. Deadline for copy is the 10th of the month for the following month.

Aylesbury Churches Together of which we are part have in conjunction with Sure Start started a Baby and Toddler Group on the Buckingham Park Development, help is needed in the running of the group, if you are able to volunteer some time on a Thursday morning to lend a hand please speak to the Vicar.

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