

@St James'

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Re-painting

After the paint analysis completed in March, further test were undertaken to see what the main pillars in Church were made of. It was hoped that they might be made of Matlock stone like the small pilasters in the pulpit. Unfortunately they are just pink porphyria! As a result, it looks as if the major impact will be made by the stripped wooden beams in the roof and the maroon ceiling in the sanctuary. The Diocesan Advisory Committee meets on 29th May and we hope there will be no delays so that the work can be done in August. The plan is to close the Church for a complete month so that the scaffolding can be erected without too much difficulty.

Jim Baker

St James' was packed to the doors on Wednesday 16th May for the funeral of Jim Baker. Married for 67 years, he and Rose had brought up six children together, both here and in Montserrat. Family members had flown in from Canada and the US for the occasion and the Montserratian community from all over the UK were well represented. A thanksgiving party for his life was held after the burial in Tottenham.



PCC May meeting

The PCC meet for the first time following the AGM on Thursday 24th May and get started on another year of work. The agenda is, as ever, packed and includes updates on the faculty applications for the re-painting, fitting of the secondary glazing in the aisle windows and the installation of the screen, data projector and hanging rails.

New data protection regulations (GDPR) also mean that we have to ensure that St James' is complying, which is no small task. You may have noticed that there is now a link to St James' privacy notice in the footer of the website pages and we would encourage you to take a look at it. The PCC will be discussing what further measures need to be implemented.

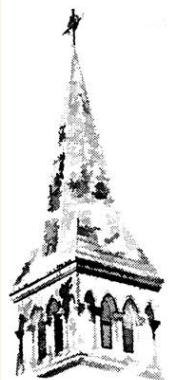
Also on the agenda is the Islington Proms (see page 2 for details of the programme) which is running this year between 10th and 17th June both in the Church and the Vicarage garden. Our Monday soup/sandwich kitchen, Pack-Up, continues to grow in strength and Toni Parker will be updating the PCC on the progress with putting a rota in place to cover this project.

We are still short of a PCC member and would welcome any applications to join. You don't need to wait until next year's AGM to register your interest!

Second Sunday Choir

On Ascension Sunday we celebrated the life of William Lambe and his generous legacy which continues to help St James' maintain the fabric of the building. As part of the service, the Second Sunday Choir, including two new members, sang a new service setting (Mass of St Martin by John Crothers) and a fine anthem by Gibbons, O Lord Increase my faith. The choir grows in confidence, but unfortunately our numbers are still small. Two of our regular members will also be leaving us in the near future. So, if you fancy joining us please speak to Fr John - we would love to have you !





Diary Dates

Thursday 24th May 7.30pm PCC meets after the AGM. In the Vicarage.

Sunday 27th May TRINITY SUNDAY Masses at 8am and 10am.

Tuesday 29th May 2.00pm The Diocesan Advisory Committee considers our Faculty applications.

June

Sunday 3rd June CORPUS CHRISTI Mass at 8am and All Age Mass at 10am.

Saturday 9th to Sunday 17th Islington Proms Week 2018 - see flyer opposite for details

Sunday 10th June TRINITY 2 Mass at 8am and Prom Festival Mass at 10am.

Sunday 17th June TRINITY 3 Masses at 8am and 10am.

2-5pm NGS Open Gardens in and around Arlington Square including the Vicarage where the Broomdashers a cappella choir perform throughout the afternoon. Refreshments.

Monday 18- Friday 22nd June Fr John and Maria away in Portugal celebrating 35 years of parish ministry together.

Saturday 23rd June 7.30pm Cantallini and the Hill Quartet perform Handel's Dixit Dominus and Schubert's Rosamunde String Quartet.

Sunday 24th June BIRTH OF JOHN THE BAPTIST Masses at 8am and 10am.

Islington Proms

9th-17th June, 2018



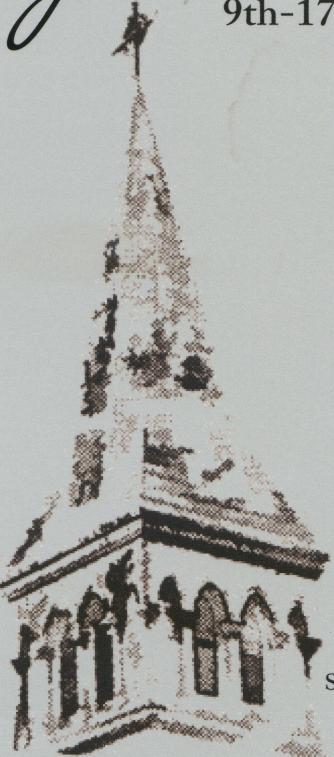
Gut Instinct
Sunday, 10th June - 7:30pm



So-Ock Kim
Tuesday, 12th June - 7:30pm

Pocket Prom
Saturday, 9th June - 4:30pm

St. James' Church
Prebend Street, N1 8PF
www.islingtonproms.com



Youth Prom
Saturday, 16th June - 6:00pm



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