

**Welcome today, Sunday 25 June 2017, to our services at St James Biddenham (9am) and All Saints Kempston (10.30am).**

**Is this your first visit?** Whichever church you've arrived in, please sit wherever you would like. All are welcome to come up to the front of the church to be involved in the Communion when it forms part of our services - either to receive the bread & wine, whatever your Christian background, or for a blessing.

Our children are welcome at all our services; additionally, **our dedicated family services are on the first Sunday of each month.** There are toys and books available for the youngsters. Please ask about arrangements for them, which are specific to each church.

**Our Sunday 6pm services each month** are as follows: the 1st Sunday is a Communion service (at St James); the 2nd Sunday is a sung evensong (All Saints); the 3rd Sunday is an evening prayer service (St James); any subsequent Sundays are.....time at home!

**Our prayers this week -**

- for the unwell, infirm and recovering be they experiencing physical or mental/emotional adversity. In particular for Jane Nash & Janet Smith and anyone else known to us.  
- For Chris Naylor.

**The All Saints Lunch Club**, Wed 19 July 12.30pm at Brewers Fayre. Everyone welcome. Please let Anita Lowe (857212) know if you will be there so that she can make the booking.

**The next house group meetings:**

Tues 27 June @ 3pm\* & Thurs 29 June @ 7.30pm;  
Tues 11 July @ 3pm\* & Thurs 13 July @ 7.30pm.  
At the Martins' home (348718), but those marked\* are at Marie Willis's home (348356). RSVP to Ewin (to help catering).

**Spring Harvest 2018** bookings opened on

Wednesday 21 June and the early bird discounts apply until 31 July. If you are interested in joining a group from St James at the Skegness venue from 2-6 April 2018, please contact Jacqui Piper at [Jacqui.piper@btinternet.com](mailto:Jacqui.piper@btinternet.com) or on 0778 6886 710.

**Songs of Praise Service** is on Sun 17 September at 4pm at St James.

Reminder that **the latest list of items needed by Bedford food bank** is available at <https://bedford.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/> or contact Ann Morrish.

**Count-down to another baptism!** Milo and Wilbur Watson on Sun 2 July at 1pm at St James.

**Ministry team contacts:**

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**Thought for the week:**

“Jesus calls us to a holiness that is positive, generous and openhearted. It's a difficult, daring challenge – do we accept it?”

*Justin Welby*