



After the death of Saul, when David had returned from defeating the Amalekites, David remained two days in Ziklag.

David intoned this lamentation over Saul and his son Jonathan. (He ordered that The Song of the Bow be taught to the people of Judah; it is written in the Book of Jashar.) He said:

Your glory, O Israel, lies slain upon your high places!

How the mighty have fallen!

Tell it not in Gath,

proclaim it not in the streets of Ashkelon;

or the daughters of the Philistines will rejoice,

the daughters of the uncircumcised will exult.

You mountains of Gilboa,

let there be no dew or rain upon you,

nor bounteous fields!

For there the shield of the mighty was defiled,

the shield of Saul, anointed with oil no more.

From the blood of the slain,

from the fat of the mighty,

the bow of Jonathan did not turn back,

nor the sword of Saul return empty.

Saul and Jonathan, beloved and lovely!

In life and in death they were not divided;

they were swifter than eagles,

they were stronger than lions.

O daughters of Israel, weep over Saul,

who clothed you with crimson, in luxury,

who put ornaments of gold on your apparel.

How the mighty have fallen

in the midst of the battle!

Jonathan lies slain upon your high places.

I am distressed for you, my brother Jonathan;

greatly beloved were you to me;

your love to me was wonderful,

passing the love of women.

How the mighty have fallen,

and the weapons of war perished!

We regularly send out information about events and developments by email. If you are not on our database but would like to be please email;

nickbundock@stjamesandemmanuel.org To keep up to date with all the news from the church please visit our website:

Stamping your attendance cards

(for Wedding, Baptism or School Admission)

The official stamps will be available at the end of the services.

We can only accept an official stamp on your attendance card as confirmation of your attendance.

Admission to Didsbury/West Didsbury CE Primary School

If you require an attendance card for any of the above please contact Parish Office.

The closing date for news sheet submissions is noon on the Thursday before the relevant Sunday. No personal advertisements are included but you are welcome to advertise on the noticeboards.



The Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Almighty God,

send down upon your Church

the riches of your Spirit,

and kindle in all who minister the

gospel

your countless gifts of grace;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Confirmation Service

Tuesday July 17th
Emmanuel 6.15pm
It would be wonderful to have a supporting congregation, all very welcome

Bible Study Class

The last class is
July 4th 7.30pm-9pm at 453
Parrswood Road. 1
Timothy Chapter 5.

Service of Thanksgiving for Lady Ann Bland Friday 13th July 11am St James' Church

Once again we welcome representatives of the congregation of St Ann's Church to lead the short Service of Thanksgiving in commemoration of our Patron Lady Ann Bland, close to her date of death, 17th July. During the service a posy of flowers is laid on her memorial. All are welcome to attend.
Sue Good

Wanted Please:

Unwanted rugs and garden games for Home Café.

Home are wanting to make the outside area more inviting and are looking for items to use in the area where the beautiful planters are. Items can either be given straight to Home or left at the Parish Office. Thank you

Women's Walk – July 14th

The next walk will be to Kinder Reservoir. We will drive to Hayfield, and then walk around the reservoir, with gentle ups and downs, completing a 5 mile circuit. As usual we will meet in the church car park at 9 am and work out car travel between us. It is important that you get in touch with me in advance, to ensure that we have enough drivers and car seats. Please contact annhillier@uwclub.net, or 0161 445 4263

Marjorie Cowan

Marjorie was a regular attendee at St James for many years
Died aged 93yrs
Funeral at Manchester Crematorium
Monday 2nd July 11.30am

Thank you

Dear All,
Can I thank you for everything you did for last weekend which was a huge financial and welcoming success at both Didsbury Festival and Didsbury Open Gardens at St James. These figures are profits after any costs removed.

Jams (all sorts incl. mustards, marmalade, lemon curd, chutneys and pickles, etc) and crumbles plus a bit from maps and books
Saturday at Didsbury Festival (£967.57)
Sunday at St James Open Gardens (£153.55)
NB could have been more if we had had any left to sell!

Refreshments - Sunday at Didsbury Open Gardens (£190.67) - thanks to the cake bakers
Plant stall - Sunday at Didsbury Open Gardens (£130.00) - thanks to Deborah
Organ Recital donations - Sunday at St James (£79.85) - thanks to Simon and Helen Leach
Grand total with a small donation £1533.

Summer Services

A reminder that the summer schedule for the 10.30am Sunday service starts on July 22nd. This means a united service at St James for the following 6 weeks.

Please pray for:

- * All those recently bereaved
- * All those undergoing cancer treatments
- * All those with long term illnesses
- * Sam Barker and his family
- * Alan Vollam



This month we pray for our mission partners who proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom and/or work to respond to human need by loving service.

- * Boaz working with destitute asylum seekers in Greater Manchester
- * St Thomas church Kirkholt in an area of high unemployment and social challenge.
- * Livability – providing loving Christian support for adults with learning difficulties.
- * Howie Pickering with God's Garage and God Squad working nationally and internationally with Outlaw Motorcycle communities
- * Daniel Mari proclaiming the "good news" to those caught up in cults, untouchables and lost people in India. Providing an orphanage and slum school to give children an education, medical care, clothing, food and biblical teaching.