

Welcome

We welcome into the new life of grace, **Tate Thomas Riley** who will be Baptised this Sunday 16th June at 12.30pm in St James the Less. Please pray for Tate and his family.

Journey in faith

The next session for the Journey in Faith is Wednesday, 19th June, at 7:00pm in the Hall at St Peter's when we will be looking at Grace and the Beatitudes.

Parish Synod Representative

As I wrote in the newsletter a couple of weeks ago, our Representative on the Diocesan Synod, Louis, is no longer able to take up this role. So far, no-one else has volunteered. It would be very good to have two parishioners who would be willing to represent the Parish on the Diocesan Synod and be a part of the listening and decision process. If you are interested, please let me know so I can give your details to the Synod Team at the Diocese. One parishioner has kindly come forward, if anyone would be willing to volunteer with her, please let me know.

Sacrament of Confirmation

The next session for our young people is on Tuesday, 18th June, at 6:30pm in the Old School Room. Please keep our young people in your prayers.

Newsletter Items

If you have an item you would like to go into the newsletter, could I ask you to e-mail the parish administrator, Siobhan Wood at:

siobhan.wood@dioceseofsalford.org.uk or place a note through the front door of the Presbytery at St James the Less with her name on. Please ensure any items are sent to her before Friday each week when the newsletter is normally printed.

Heritage Mass and Tea Party

On Wednesday, 26th June, at 1.00pm in the Primary School at St James the Less, we will be celebrating our annual Heritage Mass and Tea Party. All parishioners are warmly invited to attend, but we ask that you put your name on the sign-up sheet at the back of church so that the PPTA who are preparing the refreshments can plan for catering. The Heritage Mass is a lovely initiative which celebrates the links between Parish and School so please do sign up and support it! The Mass is in School again this year due to the ongoing work in the Parish Centre.

CAFOD Coffee Morning

This Sunday, 16th June, there will be the monthly CAFOD Coffee Morning after the 11am Mass. Please call in to support the work of CAFOD.

Sacrament of Baptism

Louise Oliver has kindly agreed to co-ordinate the Baptism Preparation Sessions for parents, assisted by a group of parishioners. The next Baptism Preparation Session will take place on Tuesday, 16th July, at 6.30pm in the church at St James the Less. If you wish to book a Baptism in the Parish, it is essential to attend one of these sessions. If you would like to book a Baptism, please ask Father Stamp for a booklet which has all the info.

Parish Rambling Club

Next Sunday, 21st June, we have our 3rd walk of the year. We meet at 1.00pm in the Lower free car park at Clowbridge Reservoir.

Clowbridge Reservoir to Crompton Cross

Start Point: Lower free car park at Clowbridge Reservoir

Walk up to the reservoir, bear right through the gate taking the path around the rear of the sailing club and onto the far side of the reservoir. Follow the path to the far end of the reservoir and through the gate bearing right and following the path upwards, medium to steep climb, towards Crompton Cross. At this point, and to the left of Crompton Cross, pass through the five bar gate taking the path to the left, and onwards following the path down to the next five bar gate. Take a left turn following the downward path through the trees and picnic area, back to the reservoir, completing the full circuit and back to the car park.

Estimated distance: 3.5 miles

Estimated time: 1.5 to 1.75 hours

There is the option of adding on a trek to the Singing Ringing Tree from Crompton Cross if the group would like the experience! Estimated distance: 2.8 miles. Estimated time: 1.5 hours.

Total estimated distance: 6.3 miles

Total estimated time: 3.25 hours.

First Holy Communion

As we enter the month of June, a month dedicated to the Blessed Sacrament and the Sacred Heart, this is the month when traditionally our children receive Holy Communion for the first time. During this month, there will be two First Holy Communion Masses in the Parish. On Saturday, 22nd June at 11.00am in St Peter's the children from St Joseph's and St Peter's will receive their First Holy Communion. On Saturday, 29th June at 11.00am in St James the Less the children from St James the Less will receive their First Holy Communion. Please pray for our children as they prepare for this beautiful moment.