



Stantonbury Ecumenical Partnership

St James, New Bradwell

an open, growing presence for Christ

Sunday 4th October 2026

18th Sunday after Trinity



09.30 Anglican Holy Communion

Welcome to everyone in Church, especially Rev'd Peterson Feital who leads us in our worship this morning.

Please join us after the service for coffee and a chat.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

St. Francis' Day

'O God, you ever delight to reveal yourself to the childlike and lowly of heart;
grant that, following the example of the blessed Francis, we may count the wisdom of this world as foolishness
and know only Jesus Christ and him crucified, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.'

Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Habakkuk 1: 1–4

1 The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw.

The Prophet's Complaint

² O Lord, how long shall I cry for help,
and you will not listen?

Or cry to you 'Violence!'
and you will not save?

³ Why do you make me see wrongdoing
and look at trouble?

Destruction and violence are before me;
strife and contention arise.

⁴ So the law becomes slack
and justice never prevails.

The wicked surround the righteous—
therefore judgement comes forth perverted.

Habakkuk 2:1–4

God's Reply to the Prophet's Complaint

2 I will stand at my watch-post,
and station myself on the rampart;
I will keep watch to see what he will say to me,
and what he will answer concerning my complaint.

² Then the Lord answered me and said:

Write the vision;
make it plain on tablets,

so that a runner may read it.

³ For there is still a vision for the appointed time;
it speaks of the end, and does not lie.

If it seems to tarry, wait for it;
it will surely come, it will not delay.

⁴ Look at the proud!
Their spirit is not right in them,
but the righteous live by their faith.

This is the word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

GOSPEL READING

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

All: Glory to you O Lord

Luke 17: 5–10

⁵ The apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our faith!' ⁶ The Lord replied, 'If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, "Be uprooted and planted in the sea", and it would obey you.

⁷ 'Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from ploughing or tending sheep in the field, "Come here at once and take your place at the table"?

⁸ Would you not rather say to him, "Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink"? ⁹ Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? ¹⁰ So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, "We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!"

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

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Worship, notices and events for today and beyond

4th October 2026

8:10 am Sunday Worship on BBC Radio 4

9:30am Anglican Holy Communion

Led by Rev'd Peterson Feital

1.15pm Songs of Praise on BBC1

Other services in the Partnership can be found at www.stantonbury.net



Sunday 4th October 6pm Pizza Party for young people

Rev'd Peterson would like to invite the young people round for pizza !!

All young people from SEP welcome to come along

Venue: The Rectory, Great Linford, MK14 5BD

Car share can be arranged. Speak to Rev'd Peterson or Jo

Fairtrade Fortnight

Fairtrade Fortnight runs from 21st September to 4th October. It is a reminder that Fairtrade means 'paying people properly, respecting their rights at work, and helping farmers care for our climate'. Please look at the display and sign the petition asking the government to hold businesses to account for human rights abuses and climate damage behind their products.

And don't forget to look out for Fairtrade products when you're shopping!

Advance notices:

October 11th

9.30am Open Door Service by Lay Open Door Team

Open Door Service

Harvest Festival and Celebration of St Frances of Assisi

See September collection below.

More information about St Francis at www.franciscans.org.uk and www.spiritoffrancis/canticle_of_the_creatures

September Collection

During September we will be collecting food for the MK Foodbank, leading up to our Harvest Festival Open Door Service on October 11th.

A list of items most needed will be attached to your pew leaflet emails.

This is a report from the MK Foodbank outlining its value to the people of Milton Keynes: [Impact Report 2025](#)

Eco Church

Eco church information and events are now on the notice board. If you have any questions or would like to be involved in Eco Church activities at St James, speak to Mary B.

Saturday Soup

This will begin again on the first Saturday in each month starting on 3rd October. If you can offer any help on one of these Saturdays whether it's making soup or washing up please let me know.

-Mary Kennedy

10th October

7.30pm

Bradwell Silver Band Autumn Concert

Bradwell Silver Band will be at St. James for their Autumn concert on Saturday 10th October starting at 7.30. Tickets on the door are £8 or £22 for a family ticket (2 adults + 2 children or 1 adult + 3 children). The band celebrate their 125th anniversary this year and have commissioned a special piece of music called the Bradellite to commemorate the event. They will be playing this piece during the concert so why not join us for an evening of great music. All proceeds from the evening are split equally between St James church and the band.

17th October, Saturday

Guitar Unlimited performance

There will be Guitar Unlimited performance during Saturday Coffee.

7th November, Saturday

3:00pm

All Souls' Bereavement Service

The annual All Souls' Bereavement Service will be held on Saturday 7th November at 3pm in St James' church. This is a quiet, reflective service with the lighting of candles in memory of those loved ones who have died - especially during the last year or so. All are most welcome also to stay and talk whilst enjoying tea/coffee and cake after the service. For further information please speak to Helen Rouse (contact details on pew sheet).'

21st November, Saturday

10.00am - 3.00pm

Christmas Fayre

We need lots of help with this event so please can you let me know if you are able to do any of the following things:- Run a stall, join the organising committee, help on the

day, make cakes. Can you also begin gathering good as new unwanted gifts, old Xmas decorations etc. Please speak to me if you can help.

Mary Kennedy - 07770538640

‘Being with’ course

Evening meetings on Zoom at 7.30pm, led by Rev’d Peterson Feital and Rev’d Phil Dunning.

If you are interested in joining the course please contact:

phone: 01908 382458, email: sburyepadm@gmail.com

HOMELESS SOUP RUN REVIVAL

We had to stop this because of Covid but MK Council have given us the go ahead to begin again. Should there be enough volunteers from the six SEP churches, it is planned to begin the soup run on 1st October on Monday and Tuesday evenings from 5 to 8pm. At least 4 volunteers would be needed each evening, possibly working on a 3 week rota. The tasks involve maintaining a WhatsApp group, collecting the food from various stores, preparing the food at Christ Church, using cars to transport 2 tables and the food to various points around the city centre.

If you are able to find at least 3 hours once every 3 weeks, please get in touch with Sharron Marland or Helen Eaton. Alternatively speak to Mary K. Irene or Graham for more information.

Helping with the soup run can be very rewarding.

Just a reminder that there are Quick Links on the Home page of St James’ website (see link below) to Churches Together MK, The Diocese of Oxford, The Methodist Circuit, The Central Baptist Association and The United Reformed Church, as well as an Event calendar for St James that also lists services etc for the next couple of months.

Website: <http://stjamesnewbradwell.org.uk>

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