

Dear Friends,

/There was a stunning sunset over Yeovil last night, my dog was more interested in her ball, whilst I kept staring at the sky, and the riot of oranges, pinks and reds. Every day God blesses us with things we don't deserve, sometimes spectacular, sometimes the blessings are so routine we don't even notice them. Breathe in. How is it that our air has just the right mixture of oxygen? That our lungs and bodies secretly, relentlessly, draw that oxygen from the air and send it to every part of your body? Every breath is a miracle, a blessing. And that's just breathing. Pause for a moment and say 'thank You'./

For anyone new to church, or exploring the Christian faith, we're running a *START course *from Monday 3rd January, in St James church room. Over 6 sessions, START explores God, life and Jesus with a mixture of video, discussion and time to think things over. Please speak to David if you're interested in this, and please speak to your friends if any of them are looking for a place to explore faith and spiritual issues.

We were very pleased to welcome St James Scout Group to join with our *Remembrance *service on Sunday, and to share the act of remembrance at the war memorial with Yeovil Family Church and Brympton Parish Council. It's the first time we've had a full St James for nearly 2 years. St. Peters Guides now has 3 sections (Guides, Brownies, Rainbows) and will be having a Christmas service in St. Peters in early December, which we think is a first!

If you were unable to attend the service for Barry Julier on Monday, it can still be seen on Youtube <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sglDuepl1yo>, his family have really appreciated the prayers and support of the church.

Coming up

Saturday 20th Nov *Christmas Fair *10-12 at St James

Thursday evenings: *Mens Film Club* at St Peters, contact Ian Croxford at St P's for more details

Sunday 28th Nov, *Shared Lunch for Advent Sunday* after the St James morning service. Please bring some food to share if you can, this will be a great way to mark the start of the 'church year', as we turn our thoughts towards the coming of Jesus.

This Sunday is the last Sunday before Advent, so is the last Sunday of the church year. If you're new to Church of England things, or ever wondered if the colours and robes we use in church meant anything special, hopefully the attached leaflet will explain all!

Please pray for wisdom over the next week or so, as we plan our programme of Christmas services. We want to provide as much opportunity as possible for the community to celebrate Christmas with us, and to hear the gospel, but we don't want to put people in risky situations. And we also don't know if there will be new restrictions by then.

yours in Christ

David and Ruth

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