

**The Friends of  
St James the Great, Chorley**  
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**FESTIVAL  
OF  
FLOWERS  
AND  
MUSIC**

**THEME:  
COUNTRIES OF THE WORLD**

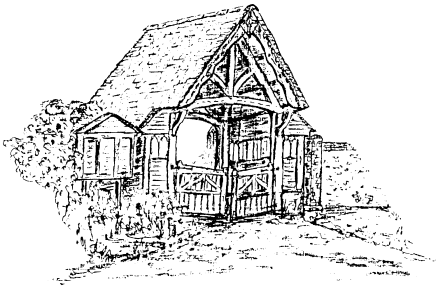
**25TH - 27TH AUGUST 2007**

***PROGRAMME 50P***

## The Friends of St James the Great, Thorley

The Friends of St James was founded in 1983 to assist the Rector and Parochial Church Council in maintaining and beautifying the Church and Churchyard.

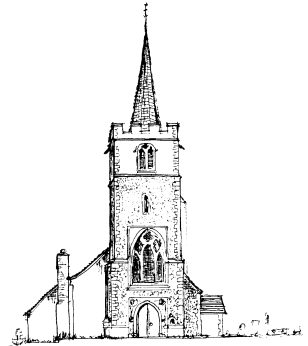
Since its formation the Friends has raised over £100,000, thereby enabling numerous projects to be undertaken. These have included the construction of a new north wall for the Churchyard, the restoration of our font and stained glass windows, the provision of a new kissing gate, the installation of lightning protection and a new weather vane, and the restoration of our picturesque Lych Gate.



In 2001 the Friends made a grant of £25,000 to the Parochial Church

Council, followed by a further grant of £30,000 earlier this year, to enable restoration work on the tower, the second phase of which was completed just before Easter.

As our next project we are seeking to raise funds to replace our organ. Whilst still operational, its chequered history means that there are serious shortcomings in both its functionality and its ability to cope with the tonal and dynamic variation so much associated with even a relatively 'basic' organ.



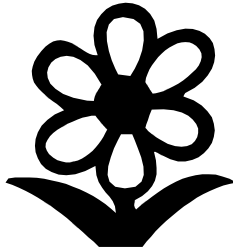
If you would like an application form to join the Friends, or wish to make a donation in support of our work, please ask one of the Stewards or write to the Treasurer, Rosemary Jones, 4 Rowney Gardens, Sawbridgeworth, Herts, CM21 0AT. Alternatively you can e-mail the Chairman, Philip Hargrave, at [friends.stjames@btinternet.com](mailto:friends.stjames@btinternet.com).

## Flower Sponsors

The Friends gratefully acknowledge sponsorships:

*In Memory of a Beloved Husband and Granddaughter. Doris Collins  
To Remember George and Mary Sampford, Thomas and  
Evelyn Morton. With Love, Colin & Margery  
In Loving Memory of My Dear Husband, Graham. Edna  
In Memory of Duilio, and Lizzie - a Special Child. Chris  
Bob and Brenda, in Loving Memory of Mum and Dad.  
In Memory of Fred and Lylie Hayes, with Love, Den.  
With Thanks for Happy Memories and Anniversaries.  
In Memory of My Parents, Betty and Doug Cage.  
In Memory of Much Loved Parents.  
In Memory of My Dear Son, Alan.  
In Loving Memory of Netta.  
For Lily.*

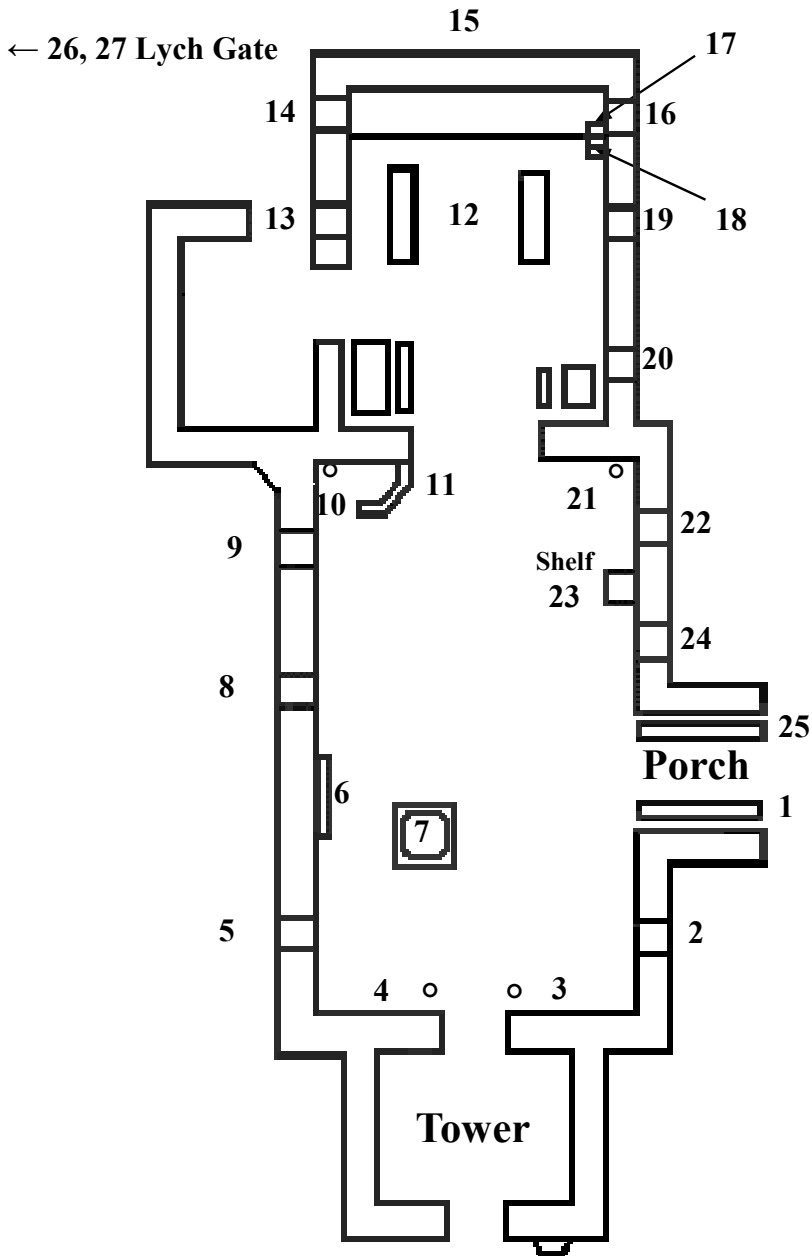
*and those by others who wish to remain anonymous.*



## Acknowledgements

Hadley Nurseries at Roydon Hamlet for supplying plants  
Musicians and Flower Arrangers for the use of their talents

# Plan of Flower Arrangements



# COUNTRIES OF THE WORLD

## The Arrangements

1. Cold Countries
2. South Africa
3. Scotland
4. Ireland
5. France
6. England & Wales
7. Uganda
8. Norway
9. Madeira
10. Switzerland
11. United Nations
12. One World - One Promise
13. Argentina
14. China
15. Russia
16. Japan
17. Austria
18. Kuwait
19. North America
20. Australia
21. For Eileen Jacobs
22. Germany
23. Italy
24. Spain
25. Hot Countries
26. India
27. Egypt

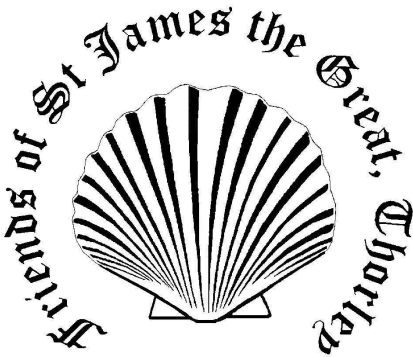
Many of these countries have been chosen by the arrangers for very personal reasons

### **The Map On The Altar.**

Please place a pin in a country,  
pray for God to make Himself known to the people of that country  
and for particular needs of which you are aware.

## Why was St James so Great?

The church of St James the Great is named after a man who began his life as a fisherman with his father and brother, and ended his life still a young man but radically transformed. James was one of the first disciples called by Jesus to leave his family business and trust Jesus with his very life. The reason we call him “The Great” today is to distinguish him from St James the less (or younger) who was also another apostle and follower of Jesus.



But if St James today could know that we called him a saint as well as great, he would probably be surprised and maybe even offended. He would most likely point us towards the one whom he followed before anything or anyone else. Jesus called James to follow him and trust him. He did not ask him to become religious or even go to church, but simply trust Jesus Christ with his life.

This is the message of the Christian church to the world today. We believe that Jesus Christ is present in the world by his spirit today, and anyone can do as St James once did, namely choose to trust Jesus with their life.

There are many of us who come to this church today, who have discovered that the Christian faith is not just about the past, but life and meaning for today!

If you would like to know more about the Christian faith, please call our parish office on 01279 506753 or e-mail; [parishoffice@stjamesthorley.org](mailto:parishoffice@stjamesthorley.org).



## Food (Music) For Thought

Since, in comparatively recent times, the world has ‘shrunk’ considerably in terms of being readily accessible to vast masses of the global population, the interaction between once-diverse creeds and cultures that were each instantly recognizable by their own unique characteristics has led to those distinct qualities becoming far less clearly defined. The inevitable trend is toward more blurring of hitherto clear-cut variations.

*So with music.* The artist’s palette contains any number of distinctly different shades and tints. Were they all blended together, the result would be an amorphous dilution appealing to no one. Music speaks a universal language that has many distinctly characteristic facets. Are we, in what maybe a relatively short space of time, to lose the unique, individual, regional identity of, perhaps, the Irish ‘fiddle’ band, the steel band so evocative of the Caribbean, the haunting sound of the Indian sitar, to an anonymous, eclectic mix with increasingly diminishing attraction?

*Festival of Flowers & Music.* This year we will be enjoying music representative of many different countries of the world, some secular songs, some sacred hymns and anthems — many familiar tunes, but take the opportunity to listen to the music and let it speak to you about the country, its culture, its people. What thoughts does the music evoke?

Members of the Scout movement will be singing campfire songs from around the world in celebration of the centenary of Scouting. There are 28 million members of the movement, boys, girls and adults, in 216 countries.

During the Festival we will also hear solos and duets including clarinet, flute, guitar, keyboard, organ and voice. There will be a short performance of Irish folk songs on Sunday. The times for these short performances will be advertised each day.

## Festival Programme

### Daily

12 noon - 6 pm	Flower Arrangements	Church
	Plant Sale	St Barnabas Centre
	Refreshments	St Barnabas Centre
	Churchyard Database	Sat & Sun Church Room
	and Parish Registers	Mon Tower
Various times	Musical Moments	Church
As required	Guided Tours of Church and St Barnabas Centre	

### Saturday, 25th August

2:00 pm	Around the World in 45 minutes!	Church
3:45 pm	Cultural Diversity and Worship	Church
5:00 pm	Campfire Songs	Churchyard

### Sunday, 26th August

12:30 - 5:00 pm	Craft Fair	St Barnabas Centre
2:30 pm	Irish Folksongs by The Glockamorons	Church
3:00 - 4:00 pm	Bell Chiming	Church
4:30 pm	Hymns & Anthems of the World	Church
6:00 - 7:00 pm	Festival Songs of Praise	Church

### Monday, 27th August

12 noon - 4 pm	Mini Fete	Emmaus Centre
12 noon - 4 pm	Children's Activities	Various
12:30 - 5:00 pm	Craft Fair	St Barnabas Centre
1:00 - 2:00 pm	Bell Chiming	Church
2:00 pm	Around the World in 45 minutes!	Church
3:30 pm	To God be the Glory!	Church
4:30 pm	Raffle to be drawn	St Barnabas Centre
5:30 - 5:45 pm	Closing Act of Worship	Church

## General Information

Wheel-chair for loan St Barnabas Centre

*There are opportunities for donations in both the Church and the St Barnabas Centre.*

Thank you for your support.