

WHAT'S ON

*Morning Prayer takes place at St Peter's on Mondays and Thursdays at 9.00am,
All Souls' on Tuesdays at 9.00am and St Marks on Wednesdays at 8.00am*

Monday 3 Dec	3.15pm	Refresh Café	St Mark's
Tuesday 4 Dec	9.00am	Hearing Aid Clinic	St Peter's
Tuesday 4 Dec	10.00am	Tots	St Mark's
Tuesday 4 Dec	11.30am	Moorcroft Prayer	Moorcroft
Tuesday 4 Dec	2.15pm	Women's Fellowship	St Mark's
Wednesday 5 Dec	10.00am	Sparks	Church Centre
Friday 7 Dec	7.30pm	Guide Dog Carol Service	St Peter's
Friday 7 – Sunday 9 December		Christmas Tree Festival	St Peter's
Sunday 9 Dec	3.30pm	Carols at Kingsleigh	Kingsleigh Care Home

Sunday 9 December – Second Sunday in Advent

9.30am	All Souls'	Holy Communion (CW)
10.00am	St Peter's	Nativity Service
11.00am	St Mark's	Holy Communion (CW)
6.30pm	St Peter's	Holy Communion (BCP)

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Notes & News

Sunday 2 December 2018 Advent Sunday

* CHRISTMAS CARDS FOR THE PARISH *

We aim to deliver Christmas Cards with details of our Christmas services to all homes in the parish, but need your help. The cards are available to be delivered now and are bundled up by roads so please choose one or two roads to deliver to, if you can, to spread the load.

It would be helpful if they could be delivered before the Christmas Tree Festival, which starts on Friday 7 December.



* GUIDE DOGS ASSOCIATION CAROL SERVICE *

Friday 7 December 7.30pm at St Peter's



If you have never been to this annual Carol service on behalf of the Guide Dogs Association, make sure you come this year as it is a very special occasion. There is a wonderful atmosphere and a number of well-behaved Guide Dogs come along and even join in and this year the church will be surrounded by many beautifully decorated Christmas Trees.

* CAROLS AT KINGSLEIGH - Sunday 9 December 3.30pm *

The residents of Kingsleigh Care Home love our annual carol singing, but we need a good number of singers of whatever ability and from whatever church, so please come along at 3.20pm, join the festivities and be a blessing to the residents and staff. Come along after the Christmas Fellowship Lunch.

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*** ST PETER'S ***

10.00am HOLY COMMUNION (CW)
HYMNS 493 162 940 102
EPISTLE Philippians 1: 3-11 (p1178)
GOSPEL Luke 3: 1-6 (p1029)
SERMON **Preparing the Way**

6.30pm EVENING PRAYER (BCP)
HYMNS AHB 83 89 88 81
PSALM 9: 1-8 said from the Bible (p546)
CANTICLE Nunc Dimittis
FIRST READING Luke 3: 1-6 (p1029)
SECOND READING Phil. 1: 3-11 (p1178)
SERMON **Preparing the Way**

*** ALL SOULS' ***

9.30am MORNING WORSHIP (BCP)
HYMNS 975 424 647 102
PSALM 25:1-9 said from the Bible (p556)
OLD TESTAMENT Jeremiah 33: 14-16 (p796)
NEW TESTAMENT 1 Thess. 3: 9-13 (p1187)
SERMON **Excitement, anticipation
and preparation**

*** ST MARK'S ***

11.00am MORNING WORSHIP (CW)
HYMNS 102 975 454 327 991
PSALM 25: 1-9 said from the Bible (p556)
OLD TESTAMENT Jeremiah 33: 14-16 (p796)
NEW TESTAMENT 1 Thess. 3: 9-13 (p1187)
SERMON *Mick Moorse*

**NOTE ABOUT THE
PARISH ACCOUNTS**

If you did not receive a note about a change to the way the parish accounts will be recorded last week then please take one from the back of church.

NATIVITY AT ST PETER'S

Next Sunday St Peter's Rocks will be performing a nativity play to help us see Christmas with fresh eyes. Please invite any families you know who might like to come along.

Visiting children are invited to come dressed as one of the following characters to take part in our nativity tableau: angel, shepherd, sheep, wise man, camel. We will have spare costumes available if you don't have anything suitable.

Decorations and Cards

We will be selling Christmas tree decorations and the last few cards and tags this morning, in a final push to reach our fundraising target for the year.

*** CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL – Fri 7-Sun 9 December – Helpers needed ***

Our Christmas tree festival is approaching very quickly now - next week in fact - and we need some volunteers to man the church on the Saturday and Sunday; giving out voting slips and the mince pies and mulled wine with a smile. I have made out a rota to cover the set-up times on Thursday and Friday and the times when the church is open. If anyone can cover any of the time slots or even part of one could they see me, I will have the rota at the back of church. This open to any church member. If you miss me please call 714638. This is a lovely time of year and it will help with your festive feeling.

Lynda Kirk

*** CHRISTMAS FELLOWSHIP LUNCH – Sunday 9 December ***

All places for next Sunday's lunch have now been taken.

*** DECORATING FOR CHRISTMAS ***

St Peter's will be decorating for Christmas on **Saturday 15 December, from 9.00am**. We will be using silk flowers, but with real greenery. If you have any suitable greenery, but cannot access the Lower Vestry, please could you leave it outside the door on Friday morning 14 Dec. and I will attend to it. Many thanks. Chris.

*** SOCIAL MEDIA ***

Following a meeting of a small social media task group, we have decided to make some changes to improve our social media presence! Over the next few weeks our 'St Mark's Church' Facebook page will be changing to a St Peter's Parish Facebook page to advertise events and activities across all three churches. We will still have our Parish of St Peter's Closed Group for more personal posts that won't be seen by the wider public. Our St Mark's twitter feed will also be transitioning to become parish-wide and we plan to launch a new Instagram account!

We hope these changes will simplify our social media as everything will be in one place and help us to reach out to more people when advertising what we do. Please do have a look at our social media, give us a like or a follow and get involved with what we're doing! If you have any questions, please do come and ask Jenny, Dean, Jonathan, Andy, Mark or Robin.

*** YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED ***

for Jonathan and his family on the death of his father, Richard Thomas.
and also for the family and friends of former St Mark's member Edna Blake, aged 90, of Mayford Grange. Her funeral will be on Friday 7 December at 10.00am at Woking Crematorium

and also for the family and friends of Jim Gore, aged 76, of the Cloisters, Old Woking. His memorial service is on Tuesday 11 December at 2.00pm in St Peter's.

*** FLOWERS AT ST PETER'S ***

Very many thanks to all who have sponsored and/or arranged flowers during 2018. The colourful displays, with such a variety of blooms and foliage, have been a delight to see and added a welcome to our worship.

If you would like to sponsor flowers on a particular weekend in 2019, the list is now available on the table at the back of church. Please add your details as required. Please consider joining our small team of arrangers, no qualifications needed, particularly for the Festivals – Christmas, Easter and Harvest – an opportunity for creativity, fellowship and fun!

RACHEL'S RAMBLINGS

This is what the Lord says—See, I am doing a new thing!
Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? (Isaiah 43:19)

As this is my last ramble of 2018 it seems a good time to look back at the past year. It's obviously been an exciting year for me personally but what I find more exciting is what I've seen happening in our churches and community – new people coming through our doors, new initiatives to reach out to our communities, people growing in their faith, and just the sheer presence of God among us, stirring us up and making things happen. Seeds planted long ago are germinating, new shoots are growing, the harvest will come! God is on the move and I'm excited to see what new thing he is doing and what fruit it will bear in 2019.

Rachel