

## 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 9.00am*

### CONNECT GROUPS MEET THIS WEEK

Monday 14 Jan	3.15pm	Refresh Café	St Mark's
Tuesday 15 Jan	9.00am	Hearing Aid Clinic	St Peter's
Tuesday 15 Jan	10.00am	Tots	St Mark's
Tuesday 15 Jan	2.15pm	Women's Fellowship	St Mark's
Tuesday 15 Jan	3.00pm	Bereavement Café	Church Centre
Tuesday 15 Jan	7.45pm	PCC Meeting	All Souls' Church Room
Wednesday 16 Jan	10.00am	Sparks	Church Centre

### Sunday 20 January – Epiphany 3

9.30am	All Souls'	Morning Worship (BCP)
10.00am	St Peter's	Holy Communion (CW)
11.00am	St Mark's	Morning Worship (CW)
12 noon	St Peter's	Baptism of Grace Olivia Taylor
6.30pm	<i>No evening service at St Peter's this week</i>	
6.30pm	Churches Together in Woking Service at St John's, Woking, GU21 7QN	

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# Notes & News

**Sunday 13 January 2019 Epiphany 2 – Baptism of Christ**

### \* FOLLOWING JESUS IN 2019 \*

As we begin 2019 we are going to be looking afresh at what it means for us as Christians to follow Jesus in every aspect of our lives. Each month we will be looking at a different theme with January focusing on the overall theme of Following Jesus. A card with a picture and verse for the month was given out last week. If you didn't receive one please take one today and put it in a prominent place to reflect on over the month.

Also given out was a Personal Spirituality Review questionnaire for your own personal use. Please take one and make use of it to help you reflect on your own spiritual life.

### \* MESSY CHURCH \*

Our January Messy Church will be held on Sunday 27 January, from 4.00pm at St Peter's Church Centre.

We will be exploring the story of Jesus calling his first disciples and discussing what it means to follow Jesus today. Messy Church is open to all-ages, so why not come and join us?

### \* CHURCHES TOGETHER IN WOKING PRAYER MEETING

**Wednesday 23 January 7.45pm, Woking United Reformed Church, GU22 9HA**

As part of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity all are invited to this prayer meeting at Woking United Reformed Church, White Rose Lane  
Please contact Jonathan for further information or if you would like a lift.

**Website:** [www.stpeterwoking.org](http://www.stpeterwoking.org)



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**\* ST PETER'S \***

**10.00am ALL-AGE WORSHIP**

**6.30pm HOLY COMMUNION (BCP)**

HYMNS 51 481 207 367

For the EPISTLE Acts 8: 14-18 (p1101)

GOSPEL Mark 1: 1-13 (p1002)

SERMON **Starting the journey**

**\* ALL SOULS' \***

**9.30am HOLY COMMUNION (BCP)**

HYMNS 564 67 64 525

For the EPISTLE Acts 8: 14-18 (p1101)

GOSPEL Mark 1: 1-13 (p1002)

SERMON **Starting the journey**

**\* ST MARK'S \***

**11.00am HOLY COMMUNION (BCP)**

HYMNS 870 241 381 859

For the EPISTLE Acts 8: 14-18 (p1101)

GOSPEL Mark 1: 1-13 (p1002)

SERMON *Mick Moorse*

**REFRESH CAFÉ**

Refresh Café is returning for a new term this Monday 14 January from 3.15pm at St Mark's Church. This is a drop-in café, great for families picking their kids up from school, complete with refreshments and loads of great games. This is a great opportunity for us to serve, and build relationships with, families in our parish, so please do be praying for Refresh Café and all who attend.

**TOTS AND SPARKS**

Now that the children are back at school our Toddler/Carer groups have also resumed: TOTS at St Mark's on Tuesdays and SPARKS in the Church Centre on Wednesdays, both at 10.00am.

**\* THANKS FROM BEV \***

Dear Colleagues,

My thanks to you all for the very moving send off on Sunday afternoon. I was, and still am, (as is Geoff) touched by the number of people who came or sent their good wishes. Thank you too for the lovely presents including a home communion set, national book token, devotional book on the psalms and the beautiful flowers – all of which I will treasure. Thanks also to Martin and family for the food which they so graciously cooked and served. I am sure everyone would agree that it was delicious.

As I reflect on my ministry and journey together over the past 22 months I am reminded of Isaiah 4: 3.19 in which it says: *See I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up. Do you not perceive it?*

God will always provide a new path and I believe that the past is nothing compared to what God is currently doing and will do across the parish in the future. I feel very privileged to have been a part of the parish's trajectory for spiritual and numerical growth and pray that you will continue to be renewed and enriched under the leadership of Jonathan, the ministry team, and all who contribute according to their special talents. I hope to see you all again soon. May God bless you.

In Christ. Rev Bev.

**SAM'S SCENE**

*So, my first Christmas serving this parish has now been and gone, and there is plenty to reflect. But what I really want to reflect on is the sheer number of people that made it to the different services and events organised by the three Churches throughout the parish in the month of December. I was overwhelmed by the large turnout in all three of our carol services, the Christingle service and the Guide Dog service at St Peter's among other events. I never thought we could ever have that many people at St Mark's and All Souls' like we did for both carol services. This got me thinking, and two things came to mind;*

♦ *What a great opportunity to share the Gospel. Witnessing to Christ, the one whom we celebrate is not only done in the pulpit, it can be done in our welcome, in our serving coffees and teas (Or mulled wine), and in those conversations before, during and after the services. It's my prayer that as we embark on the theme of 'Following Jesus' as a Parish, we can even be more well equipped with taking these opportunities to share the Gospel with people just like some of those we had over this past Christmas.*

♦ *I also thought to myself, what do we do differently at Christmas that we could maybe do throughout the year to have this kind of numbers of people attend Church – But while I was thinking through this, it occurred to me that between Christmas Day and Boxing Day, we had 11 adults and 12 children at our house, many of whom stayed with us for a couple of nights! At which point I thought to myself, can we do this every weekend? The answer, as you would expect, was NO. And I then I thought about the Church generally, it's great to have all these big numbers of people come to our Churches every year at Christmas, they may not come to church any other time of the year for different reasons, but we should thank God that they were able to come to Church at this time of year.*

*May Christ's presence be re-born in our lives, our families, our work places and in all that we do, this year, and for ever. Amen*

Sam

**\* YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED \***

for the family and friends of Henry Denyer, aged 82, of Saunders Lane. Henry's funeral will take place at St Peter's on Monday 4 February at 12.30pm.

and for the family and friends of Leslie Grimshaw, aged 93, of Maybourne Rise. Leslie's funeral will be held on Friday 1 February at 11.00am at Woking Crematorium

**\* CHURCHES TOGETHER IN WOKING SERVICE**

**Sunday 20 January – 6.30pm St John's Church, Woking GU21 7QN**

It would be lovely to see you at this united service joining Christians from a wide range of churches across Woking. The speaker will be Dr Dave Landrum, Director of Advocacy from the Evangelical Alliance who will be talking about *Speak Up*, a resource developed by the Alliance in association with the Lawyers' Christian Fellowship and commended by the Prime Minister. *Speak Up* encourages Christians to share about Jesus without fear of legal restraints, but wisely and lovingly, guiding Christians through the robust rights we have when sharing our faith, whether at home, at work, in public or online.

**\*IT'S DRIVE TIME AGAIN ....\***

Time to brush up on your dice-rolling skills – the Beetle Drive is back. It takes place on Saturday 9 February from 5.00pm in St Peter's Church Centre.

Put the date in your diary now – more details to follow next week.

**\* TABLE-TOP SALES \***

In November we had a parish stall at the monthly Table-Top Sale at the Old Woking Community Centre. The aim was to meet local residents, give out publicity and talk to them about what is happening in our churches, and to raise some funds for parish projects.

Following the success of that initiative the Parish Events Committee has decided to book a stall on three more Saturdays, starting on Saturday 9 February. We are collecting items to sell and would be grateful for any unwanted Christmas presents and other small items, new or in good condition, that you can provide. Toiletries and children's toys and games always sell well.

Please have a look through your cupboards and drawers and see if you can find a few things you no longer need. There is a box in each church for your contributions, or phone me on 772735 for collection.

Rosemary McCrum

**\* DIOCESAN DAY ON PRAYER 2019 – Saturday 2 February 2019 \***

**Guildford Cathedral - 10:00am - 3:00pm \***

**Finding a Rhythm of Life - Prayer in Today's World**

*What can New Monasticism teach us?*

**Speakers:** Rt Revd Andrew Watson, Bishop of Guildford  
Revd Ian Mobsby, leader of Wellspring Community, vicar,  
missioner, speaker and author

**Workshops Choose two to attend on the day**

- Common Ground - a Guildford expression
- Take-Time - Ignatian mediation with a Godly play twist
- Third Order Franciscan
- Celtic Prayer the Northumbria Way
- Community of St Anselm, Lambeth Palace
- Wellspring Community
- Single Consecrated Life

**Resources plus Q&A**

**£10 donation payable on the day to cover costs**

**Food and Drink** - Tea and Coffee will be provided by Seasons. For lunch bring your own or use Seasons café

**Parking** - plentiful, including Disabled Parking

**Booking** - online at [www.cofeguildford.org.uk/whats-on/events/day-on-prayer-bookings](http://www.cofeguildford.org.uk/whats-on/events/day-on-prayer-bookings)

**\*DATES FOR PRAYER MEETINGS IN 2019 \***

Please put in these dates for Mission Prayer in 2019 which are at 7.30pm at the Coxs' home, 7 Sundridge Road, Kingfield. For more information please speak with Sam Waako, our Mission Partner Co-ordinator.

Wed 13 March, Mon 8 July, Mon 11 Nov

We also have three parish prayer meetings scheduled for 7.45pm, so please make a note of these dates:

Mon 4 Feb at St Mark's, Tue 4 Jun at the Church Centre, Thu 19 Sep at All Souls'