WHAT'S ON

Morning Prayer, resuming this week takes place at St Peter's on Mondays and Thursdays at 9.00am, All Souls' on Tuesdays at 9.00am and St Mark's on Wednesdays at 9.00am.

Tuesday 7 Jan	9.00am	Hearing Aid Clinic	St Peter's
Tuesday 7 Jan	10.00am	Tots	St Mark's
Tuesday 7 Jan	2.15pm	Women's Fellowship Communion St Mark's	
Wednesday 8 Jan	10.00am	Sparks	Church Centre
Wednesday 8 Jan	2.00pm	Craft & Chat	Church Centre
Thursday 9 Jan	7.30pm	Lent Course 'Taster'	St Mark's
Sunday 12 Jan	12.30pm	Fellowship Lunch	Church Centre

Sunday 12 January 2020 - Baptism of Christ

10.00am St Peter's Parish United All-Age Worship

Licensing of Robin Jones as Children's and Families' Minister

6.30pm St Peter's Holy Communion (BCP)

Please note: There will be no services at All Souls' or St Mark's next Sunday

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Sunday 5 January 2020

Epiphany Sunday



* LENT COURSE - STARTING SOON - PLEASE SIGN UP THIS WEEK! *

Next year's Lent course is going to start in January, continuing until Easter, and is an excellent course on prayer written by Pete Greig, the founder of 24/7 prayer, suitable for all and open to everyone.

There is an optional introduction/taster session with a meal on Thursday 9 January at 7.30pm at St Mark's for all who are interested. Whilst the introduction session is optional, it is recommended to attend if you can as it will give a good introduction to the course.

The course will then run fortnightly on Monday evenings at 7.45pm at the Rectory, run by Sam, starting on 13 January and on Thursday evenings at 7.45pm at the Vicarage, run by Jonathan, starting on 16 January. The All Souls' Connect Group will be also be running the course fortnightly on Tuesday evenings and would welcome others to join them. Please contact Patrick Phillipps on 762868 or patbar.phillipps@gmail.com if you are interested."

Please sign up on the sheet at the back of each church today or email wicar@stpeterwoking.org by Tuesday 7 January if you would like to come to the introductory session and then please sign up on the sheet if you would like to join the Monday or Thursday group."

The course will also run weekly as part of the Wednesday Connect Group at 9.30am at St Mark's starting on 29 January and as part of Women's Fellowship on Tuesdays at 2.15pm at St Mark's, starting on 28 January, which all are welcome to join, but no need to sign up for these.

Website: www.stpeterwoking.org



St Peter's Church

All Souls Church

St Mark's Church



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* ST PETER'S *

 10.00am
 HOLY COMMUNION (CW)

 HYMNS
 691 204 64 498

 OLD TESTAMENT
 Isaiah 60: 1-6 (p746)

 GOSPEL
 Matthew 2: 1-12 (p966)

SERMON

6.30pm EVENING PRAYER (BCP)

<u>HYMNS</u> 529 65 949 39

PSALM 97 said from the Bible (p603)

<u>CANTICLE</u> Magnificat

<u>OLD TESTAMENT</u> Isaiah 60: 1-6 (p746) <u>GOSPEL</u> Matthew 2: 1-12 (p966)

SERMON What can I give him?

* ALL SOULS' *

 9.30am
 HOLY COMMUNION (BCP)

 HYMNS
 740 65 130 39

 OLD TESTAMENT
 Isaiah 60: 1-6 (p746)

 GOSPEL
 Matthew 2: 1-12 (p966)

 SERMON
 What can I give him?

* ST MARK'S *

 11.00am
 HOLY COMMUNION (CW)

 HYMNS
 740 990 381 39

 OLD TESTAMENT
 Isaiah 60: 1-6 (p746)

 GOSPEL
 Matthew 2: 1-12 (p966)

 SERMON
 What can I give him?

REVIVE SERVICE IS BACK! Sunday 19 January 4.30pm

The Revive service is back this month at St Mark's Church, Westfield, with teas/coffees and cake served at the beginning of the service.

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN WOKING SERVICE Sunday 19 January 6.30pm at Trinity Methodist Church

Please join us for the Churches Together in Woking annual service during the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, hosted by Trinity Methodist Church, Brewery Lane, Woking, GU21 4LH. The preacher will be Sam Waako who will be speaking on "How the African and UK churches can learn from each other". There will be no evening service at St Peter's that week.

2020 CALENDARS

If you didn't receive the calendar you normally get for Christmas, good news, there are still 2 church calendars available – photos by Phil Fiddes. First come, first served so be quick © Caroline

* THIS WEEK PLEASE PRAY ... *

for Pauline Wilde, whose father, Ken Day, died recently and whose funeral will take place this week and

for the family and friends of Christine Carruthers, Rachel Johnson's grandmother, aged 102, of Kingsleigh,

and for those who are unwell - Peter and Eileen Bliss, Brian Rich, Bob Baker, Lynda Kirk and Trevor Lloyd.

* FELLOWSHIP LUNCH *

Happy New Year to all our Fellowship Lunch Followers. We are back for you next Sunday 12 January after the Parish United Service.

We are linking the meal to Robin's licensing, please see Helen or me on Sunday for more information and bookings or phone Helen in the Parish Office. Martin.

* POETRY, PROSE AND PUDDINGS EVENING - Saturday 25 January -7.30pm At St Peter's Church Centre. Further details to follow.

* PARISH UNITED ALL-AGE SERVICE FOR THE LICENSING OF ROBIN JONES * Next Sunday 12 January at St Peter's at 10.00am

There will be a special united service next week when Robin Jones will be licensed as a Children's and Families' Minister by the Assistant Archdeacon, Canon Robert Jenkins. This follows a recommendation by Jonathan and recognises Robin's important and fruitful ministry in the parish which is affirmed by the Diocese. This service will celebrate his ministry, together with all those who support our children's ministry, as we recognise the importance of our children and families.

There will be no morning services at All Souls' or St Mark's, so it would be great to come together as a whole parish to celebrate Robin's licensing. After the service there will be a Fellowship Lunch to which all are invited. see separate notice.

* FOOTBALL STADIUM DEVELOPMENT *

Plans have been submitted to redevelop the site of Woking Football Club, including 1048 flats of up to 11 storeys. A related plan involves relocation David Lloyd Sports Club onto green belt land off Egley Road. If you feel this is inappropriate for the area please submit your objection (to either or both plans) by the **deadline of 10th January**. The easiest way to object is to email the planning authority at developmentmanagement@woking.gov.uk or write to: Benjamin Bailey Woking Borough Council Civic Offices Gloucester Square Woking GU21 6YL. Make sure you include the planning number: PLAN/2019/1176 (for the stadium site), PLAN/2019/1177 (for the Egley Rd site). You can also submit your objection online. For more information about relevant points to raise see https://southwokingactiongroup.org.uk/.

SAM'S SCENE - TEN-YEAR CHALLENGE

If you are a social media user, chances are you have heard of the recent popular trend on most, if not all social media platforms, named the '10-Year Challenge'. With the end of one decade and beginning of another, people have been posting a photo of themselves 10 years ago alongside a very recent one. The challenge (not exactly a challenge is it?) was to see how hard/easy ageing had hit them.

Of course, as an ardent social media user, I joined in in this challenge by sharing what God has done in my life in the last 10 years. Briefly, January of 2009 is when I arrived in the UK, to record snow (I had only seen snow on TV). I had just arrived to do what was meant to be a gap year with a UK based Christian charity. At the time, I was single, priesting had never even featured in my dreams, and in a way, I think I was trying to run away from my old life. 10 years later, I am married, three kids, ordained and calling this home. If someone had told me at the beginning of 2009 that all this will happen in 10 years, I would have probably thought they were mocking me!

The Bible is full of amazing promises, but the ones I have held on to throughout these 10 years are found in Psalm 121. No matter what the New Year and the new decade may throw at us, let us be reminded that God is with us (He is Emmanuel) and walks alongside us, in the good times and in the bad times. All we have to do is lift up our eyes, help will surely come.

Sam

What's your 10-year challenge? Happy New Year