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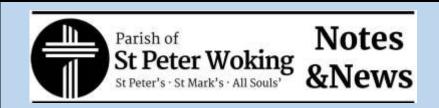
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Sunday 18 July 2021 Trinity 7

* LIFTING OF RESTRICTIONS - NEW *

Next Sunday the current restrictions on church services will be lifted, which I know will be welcomed warmly by many. However, I know others will still be concerned as the virus is still prevalent, if not causing nearly so many hospitalisations and deaths, and so we want to make sure that our services still feel safe for everyone.

We are awaiting guidance from the Church of England and can confirm things next week, but we expect that from Sunday 25 July we will all be able to sing, not wear face masks unless we want to and sit with others outside our bubble with mutual agreement. However, we will make sure there are areas at the back of each church where people can sit socially distanced if they prefer, we will ventilate our buildings and will continue to encourage people to sanitise their hands. We hope many who have not been back to services in church before will do so, but recognise that some may not be ready or able yet.

Sunday 25 July will be the last of our pre-recorded services, and then from Sunday 1 August we will livestream our morning services from within church, so you can still watch our services on YouTube as now, though we would love to encourage as many as possible to come back to church. We will mainly livestream from St Peter's at 10.00am but once a month or so will livestream from St Mark's at 11.00am. Details will always be in N&N the previous week. Livestreaming will not be the same quality of music and sound as the pre-recorded services but will still enable you to join in and feel part of our worship. If you do not want to appear on a livestream please let Jonathan know and avoid sitting in the front row or being involved in anything up front.

We won't be delivering DVDs on Saturdays once we live stream, or automatically sending service sheets and N&N by post to those currently receiving them. However, for those who can't come to church and would like a DVD or N&N by post please let the office know (01483 755852).





St Mark's



Sunday 18 July Seventh Sunday after Trinity

St Peter's 10.00am - Holy Communion (CW)

<u>HYMNS</u> 73 Christ is made the sure foundation

All the room was hushed and still

442 Lord of the Church

OLD TESTAMENT Haggai 2: 1-9 GOSPEL John 2: 13-22

SERMON I will build my Church

10.00am Online Morning Worship, on YouTube

Join from 9.45am to listen to music played by Matthew and St Peter's bells calling us to worship.

There will be a Zoom chat after the service

<u>HYMNS</u> 73 Christ is made the sure foundation

I'm gonna jump up and down All the room was hushed and still

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OLD TESTAMENT Haggai 2: 1-9
NEW TESTAMENT John 2: 13-22

SERMON I will build my Church

* THANK YOU - NEW *

Thank you to all who came to clean St Peter's church and tidy up the churchyard last weekend. The weather was grim, but it has made a big difference.

* GIVING TO THE CHURCH - NEW *

We continue to be affected by a reduction in income from people coming to church and through lettings so if any of you are willing and able to either increase regular giving or make one-off gifts that would be much appreciated.

Or if you are not part of the Parish Giving Scheme enabling easy regular giving please consider joining it.

More details of how to give in any of these ways are available at www.stpeterwoking.org/giving or please send a cheque payable to 'Parish of St Peter Woking' to St Peter's Parish Office, Church Street, Old Woking, GU22 9JF.

Sunday 25 July **Eighth Sunday after Trinity Holy Communion (CW)** All Souls' 9.30am **Energise Service** 10.00am St Peter's Holy Communion (CW) St Mark's 11.00am **Evening Prayer (BCP)** 6.30pm St Peter's Online All-Age Worship (YouTube) 10.00am

* VICAR'S VIEW *

I'm sure many of us have mixed feelings about the lifting of restrictions beginning next week in England. We clearly need to remain cautious and it is really important to respect that other people will feel different from us and not judge or comment on their choices of what they do and don't do.

However, I also think it is important that we don't live in fear. We need to take precautions, act sensibly, but discover how best to live in the ongoing 'New Normal' that we have been speaking about in our services so that we can continue to worship and serve the living God. It is his perfect love that casts out all fear, as 1 John 54:18 says, so I pray we can know that perfect love in our lives.

I came across this prayer by Howard Thurman that you may want to use this week:

Open unto me light for my darkness, courage for my fear, hope for my despair.

Open unto me peace for my turmoil, joy for my sorrow, strength for my weakness.

Open unto me wisdom for my confusion, forgiveness for my sins, love for my hates.

Open unto me thyself for myself Lord, upon unto me!

Jonathan

* ACCESSING OUR ONLINE SERVICES *

The Sunday morning YouTube Services at 10.00am *

There are three ways to access these:

- via www.stpeterwoking.org/sundaylive which provides a link to YouTube, a service sheet and other information about the service
- subscribe to the Parish of St Peter, Woking YouTube channel (click the Subscribe button below the video) to get direct access from YouTube without needing to go via the website
- **listen via telephone for those without internet access**. Just before the service call 0330 0885830, enter the meeting id as 585 531 880 when prompted then press #, then when asked for a participant id press # again and then when asked for the password enter 1090 followed by #. You will then be able to listen to the service. It is a local call cost, which is free for most people.

If you would like to meet face to face and **chat** after the YouTube service, join us on Zoom with your coffee or tea. Use the Sunday Live meeting id of 585 531 880and password of 1090 or click this link https://us02web.zoom.us/j/585531880?pwd=eEt5aDFiVjhqa2EzNXhtckQzRjl ROT09

* ENERGISE - NEXT SUNDAY - NEW *

Next week's service will include a building challenge!

* LIFTS TO CHURCH *

We would love to encourage everyone to return to services in church over the next few weeks but recognise that for some people they require lifts. Lifts are now allowed under government guidelines so we would like to get a system in place for enabling everyone to come to church who wants to.

If you would like a lift or are able to offer a lift could you please contact the parish office on 01483 755852, admin@stpeterwoking.org stating when you are likely to start receiving or offering and how frequently you would like a lift or can offer a lift. We will then do some matching to make arrangements and may use <code>Help at Hand</code> who offer lifts as well. Please don't feel you are putting anyone out, as a church family we are here to support each other.

* FUTURE SERVICE PATTERN *

Full details of the future service pattern, which will begin in September, were given in Notes & News on 27 June and 4 July.

* THIS WEEK PLEASE PRAY FOR ... *

Eileen and Peter Bliss, Patrick Chapman, Brenda Collard, Frank Davenport, Barbara Jones, Lynda Kirk, Barbara Lanaway, Barbara Lloyd, Trevor Lloyd, Doreen McKinnon, Olive Park, Denise Randall and Joy Storkey.

* MORNING PRAYER BIBLE READINGS - UPDATED *

We meet on **Monday to Friday**, 9.00am to 9.30am via Zoom as below.

Next Week's Bible Readings

Mon 19	Ezekiel 14: 12-32	2 Corinthians 11: 1-15
Tue 20	Ezekiel 18: 1-20	2 Corinthians 11: 16-33
Wed 21	Ezekiel 18: 21-32	2 Corinthians 12
Thu 22	John 20: 1-2, 11-18	2 Corinthians 5: 14-17
		Mary Magdalene
Fri 23	Ezekiel 20: 21-38	James 1: 1-11

On Thursdays Morning Prayer now takes place in St Peter's as well as on Zoom for those who would like to join in person.

If you wish to join in via Zoom, please email me on curate@stpeterwoking.org for details. Rev Sam - Curate

* CORONOVIRUS SUPPORT FUND *

This fund was set up last year to support anyone affected financially by Coronavirus, to which many of you gave very generously. We have made two payments from it, as well as supporting a local charity providing telephone support during the pandemic, but have not had other requests for help and have nearly £3,000 left in the fund.

Jonathan and the churchwardens, who administer the fund, have decided to make this a general support fund from now on for anyone in financial need in the church or community whether related to Coronavirus or not.

We recognise that this was not the original intention so if any of you who gave to it would rather it was not used for this general purpose please let one of us know and we can discuss options.

If you know of anyone in financial need in church or community then please refer them to one of us.

* ST PETER'S CHANCEL REORDERING - REVISED *

The deadline for replying with any comments on the plans at the back of church or lodging an objection with the Diocesan Registrar is on Monday 19 July.

Thanks to those who have given us your comments; we will take them on board and will keep everyone consulted on next steps, timescales and fundraising if the faculty is approved.

* ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY'S VISIT TO THE DIOCESE *

The Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby, is visiting Guildford Diocese between Friday 24 September and Sunday 26 September for a number of events.

On Friday 24 there is an evening of worship, prayer and a keynote address from Justin at Lakeside Country Club near Camberley to which all are invited.



On Sunday 26, in the afternoon, he will be visiting Woking for a 'Big Questions' event at Woking Football Club for people who are exploring faith where there will be questions from the public and Justin will speak on how to find security and hope in uncertain times. This is a wonderful opportunity to invite friends and family to hear the good news of Jesus from a gifted communicator so please be praying about who you might invite.

More information and how to book can be found at https://www.cofeguildford.org.uk/whats-on/events/archbishop-of-canterbury-mission-sept21.

* CHURCHES OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER *

St Peter's and All Souls' churches are still open for private prayer.

St Peter's is open: Mon to Fri 9.00am-12.30pm Sunday 9.00am-6.00pm All Souls' is open Sunday 9.00am-6.00pm

Please make use of our churches if you would like to and have no Covid-19 symptoms and abide by the rules for everyone's protection.

* THANKSGIVING SERVICE FOR PAT MOORSE - NEW *



There will be a Thanksgiving Service followed by Internment of Ashes on Saturday 7 August at 3.00pm at St Peter's Church for Pat Moorse, Mick's wife, who died last year and was only able to have a small funeral. Mick and the family would love it if people who knew Pat could come to the service and join them afterwards for refreshments in the Church Centre.

* WOKING BESOM - REVISED *

We are back to two days a week serving our community: Wednesdays and Fridays from our Shed in West End.

During the past 18 months we have been fulfilling needs as required with family volunteers on the van and following guidelines for Covid safety. We are now still complying with all restrictions but providing a regular service to all recipients referred to us.

Please continue to pray for:

- Donations of good quality household items to bless others.
- Time givers to come to the Shed to sort in the shed, shift and deliver on the van.
- Groups from Churches to volunteer for one of the many outside projects being referred to us

We give thanks for god's great provision over the past 18 months.

Our website address is https://wokingbesom.org/what-we-do

Contact via wokingbesom@gmail.com -or telephone 01276 855215

"Bridging the gap between those that are in need and those that want to give".

* ORIGIN BOOKSHOP *

The Origin Bookshop at Christ Church Woking is open – 10.00am-4.00pm, Monday to Saturday. We need your second-hand general children's books please. Please hand your pre-loved books in to the bookshop.