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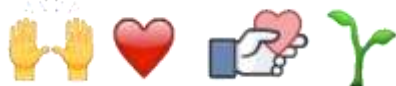


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**Notes
& News**

**Saturday 25 December 2021
CHRISTMAS DAY**

and **Sunday 2 January 2022**

* CHRISTMAS GREETINGS *

Jonathan and Sarah would like to wish everyone at St Peter's, St Mark's and All Souls' a very Merry and Blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Thank you for your support, your prayerfulness, your encouragement and the use of your time, talents and money for the good of God's kingdom in this parish, especially in what has been another challenging and ever-changing year. We are blessed to have such lovely people that we minister to and worship with.

May you all know the presence of Jesus, Emmanuel, God with us, with you this Christmas whatever your circumstances and may you know His encouragement and love in 2022 as we journey on together whatever next year brings.



* CORONAVIRUS GUIDELINES *

Following the recent announcement that the government is implementing Plan B it is now a legal requirement that face coverings must now be worn in church throughout services for anyone aged 11 and over who is not exempt. PLEASE TAKE A LATERAL FLOW TEST BEFORE YOU COME.

We will continue to maintain social distancing in church and are able to sing and have refreshments, but please remain cautious and respect other people. Church of England advice is to keep your masks on whilst singing.

Friday 24 December - CHRISTMAS EVE

St Peter's 4.00pm Christingle Service
This service will be livestreamed

All Souls' 6.00pm Carols by Candlelight

St Peter's 11.15pm Midnight Communion

HYMNS 122 O little town of Bethlehem
 114 On Christmas night all Christians sing
 101 Thou who wast rich beyond all splendour
 99 Good Christian men rejoice

EPISTLE Titus 3: 4-7 (p1199)
GOSPEL Luke 2: 8-20 (p1027)
SERMON Mangers and Shepherds



Saturday 25 December - CHRISTMAS DAY

All Souls' 9.30am All-Age Communion (CW)
HYMNS 491 O come all ye faithful
 588 See amid the winter's snow
 114 Ding dong merrily on high
 196 Good Christian men rejoice

OLD TESTAMENT Isaiah 52: 1-7 (p739)
GOSPEL John 1: 1-14 (p1027)
SERMON The Word

St Peter's 10.00am All-Age Communion (CW)
This service will be livestreamed

HYMNS 491 O come all ye faithful
 179 Go tell it on the mountain
 588 See amid the winter's snow
 211 Hark the herald-angels sing

OLD TESTAMENT Isaiah 52: 1-7 (p739)
GOSPEL John 1: 1-14 (p1027)
SERMON What's the news?

St Mark's 11.00am All-Age Communion (CW)
HYMNS 491 O come all ye faithful
 588 See amid the winter's snow
 589 See him lying on a bed of straw
 83 Come and join the celebration

OLD TESTAMENT Isaiah 52: 1-7 (p739)
GOSPEL John 1: 1-14 (p1027)
SERMON The Word



*** MORNING PRAYER BIBLE READINGS - UPDATED ***

Bible Readings for Week beginning 3 January

Mon 3 Jan	No Morning Prayers	
Tue 4 Jan	Psalm 89: 1-29	Ruth 1
Wed 5 Jan	Psalm 89:30-52	Ruth 2
Thu 6 Jan	Psalm 78: 1-39	Ruth 3
Fri 7 Jan	Psalm 78:40-72	Ruth 4

All days are on Zoom now; we are no longer meeting in St Peter's on Thursdays for the foreseeable future. To join Morning Prayer in Zoom enter Meeting ID: 498 905 544 Passcode: 668876

Please note: There will be no morning prayer from Christmas Eve to 3 January (inclusive) – restarting on Tuesday 4 January.

*** JENNY'S JOTTINGS ***

I really love the New Year. A time for either looking back at the year behind us, or perhaps jumping straight into a brand new one. A clean slate with a clean, fresh calendar ready to be filled.

2022 may not be filling you with excitement – you may already have had events cancelled – or be worried about what's ahead. But our journey through Advent reminds us of the hope we do have ahead of us.

We look back at the forefathers of our faith and remember God's faithfulness to his people. We look back at the prophets and remember all the promises that God has kept, and all that he promises about Jesus' return. We look back at John the Baptist and remember how he prepared a way and pointed others to Jesus. We look back at Mary, a faithful servant who obeyed God. We look back at Jesus' birth, as he came into the world to seek us and save us.

I pray that we go into 2022, full of hope and ready to follow Jesus wherever he leads us.

Jenny

*** ACCESSING OUR LIVESTREAMED SERVICES ***

The Sunday morning services are livestreamed from St Peter's most weeks on YouTube at 10.00am or once a month from St Mark's at 11.00am.

There are two 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

WHAT'S ON

Morning Prayers (on Zoom) will resume on Tuesday 4 January

Please note: Tots and Refresh Café will recommence on 11 January.

Friday 7 Jan 2.30pm Connections Café Church Centre

*** CONNECTIONS CAFÉ ***



Connections Cafe will be meeting on Friday 7 January, 2.30pm to 5.00pm in the Church Centre. There will be a variety of activities followed by a tea.

if you require a lift, please contact Brenda Cox on 07921 160684

*** BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP ***

Our first meeting in 2022 will on Tuesday 18 January. For further information please contact either Brenda Cox 07921 160684 or Pauline Wilde 01483 722098

*** DVDs OF SERVICES ***

For those unable to get to church or get access to the internet we are able to provide DVDs of the livestreamed services after the event if you would like them, especially those who missed Sam's leaving service. Please ask Helen in the Parish Office if you would like DVDs of a particular service or on a regular basis.

Sunday 26 December – Boxing Day

St Peter's 10.00am Morning Prayer (said)

FIRST READING Psalm 31: 1-8 (p559)

SECOND READING Acts 6 (p1098)

Reflection on Readings Rachel

Sunday 2 January - Epiphany

All Souls' 9.30am Morning Worship (CW)

HYMNS 39 As with gladness
65 Brightest and best
41 At the name of Jesus
740 We three kings

PSALM 72: 10-15 said from the church Bible (p586)

OLD TESTAMENT Isaiah 60: 1-6 (p746)

NEW TESTAMENT Matthew 2: 1-12 (p966)

SERMON Who will you be in 2022?

St Peter's 10.00am Holy Communion (CW)

This service will be livestreamed

HYMNS 39 As with gladness
41 At the name of Jesus
673 There is a redeemer
740 We three kings

OLD TESTAMENT Isaiah 60: 1-6 (p746)

GOSPEL Matthew 2: 1-12 (p966)

SERMON Jonathan

St Mark's 11.00am Morning Worship (CW)

HYMNS 39 As with gladness
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740 We three kings

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SERMON New ?

*** THIS WEEK PLEASE PRAY FOR ...***

Mary Angus, Eileen & Peter Bliss, Patrick Chapman, Frank Davenport, Pete Eales, Jan Kinnell, Barbara Lanaway, Trevor Lloyd, Doreen McKinnon, Ketsiya Melamane, Lynda Salmond, Debbie Still, Brian Whitehorn and Geoff Williams.

*** CHRISTMAS GIFTS - NEW ***

All children and young people attending any of our services on Christmas morning are invited to bring along one of their Christmas Gifts to show to the rest of the congregation.



*** LYZ WAAKO SPEAKING AT 'CAROLS FOR COMPASSION' NEW ***

Lyz gives a wonderful Christmas message at this online carol service which explains her testimony with Compassion. It can be found on our YouTube channel (<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCXo2hgvAMgDUw-aEFuM3n8g>) and is well worth watching.

*** SAM'S INDUCTION - REVISED ***

Sam's induction is on **Thursday 6 January**, at 6.00pm at St Mary's Andover. We have enough people wanting a lift to hire a minibus. We will aim to leave about 4.00pm from St Mark's but individuals will be contacted in the New Year with final details. There are a couple of spaces left on the minibus if anyone still wants to come, please let Jonathan know. It is possible that it may move to being livestream only or limited numbers in which case we will let you know.



If you are planning on coming separately it would be nice to know numbers so please also let Jonathan know by Wednesday 5 January.

Sunday 9 January 2022

Baptism of Christ

9.30am	All Souls'	Holy Communion (CW)
10.00am	St Peter's	Morning Worship (CW), with the Band <i>This service will be livestreamed</i>
11.00am	St Mark's	Holy Communion (CW)
5.00pm	St Peter's	Evening Prayer (BCP)

Jesus, the Light of the World, as we celebrate your birth, may we begin to see the world in the light of understanding you give us.

As you chose the lowly, the outcasts, and the poor to receive the greatest news the world had ever known, so may we worship you in meekness of heart.

May we also remember our brothers and sisters less fortunate than ourselves in this season of giving.

Amen.

