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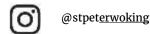


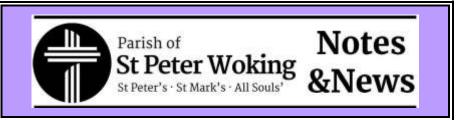
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Sunday 30 January 2022 Candlemas

* CORONAVIRUS GUIDELINES - REVISED *

Following the ending of Plan B last Thursday 27 January and reviewing the Church of England guidance we want to maintain the right balance so that we can worship without too many restrictions but keep safe and keep people feeling safe in church.

The most important thing is to maintain social distancing so our seating will remain separated. Our guidance will return to the situation we had before Plan B where we ask everyone to wear masks coming in and out of church and moving around but they can be removed during the service if people wish to.

PLEASE CONTINUE TO TAKE A LATERAL FLOW TEST BEFORE YOU COME.

* PARISH PRAYER MEETING *

Prayer is vital for us as a parish if we are to see God at work, grow and develop and we all have apart to play. Please join us for our next Parish Prayer meeting on Monday 31 January from 8.00pm-9.00pm on Zoom when we will be praying for our parish and our Mission Partners.

The Zoom code is

https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/498905544?pwd=NlVhNTFsbVQ1aTVTVmtJMmc3dHhqQTo9, Meeting ID: 498 905 544, Passcode: 668876

St Michaels' Sheerwater Newsletter

The latest newsletter for our local Mission Partner St Michael's Church is available at the back of each church or on our website www.stpeterwoking.org/mission

Sunday 30 January - Candlemas

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

This service will be livestreamed

<u>HYMNS</u> 102 Come thou long expected Jesus

31 Amazing grace

Everlasting God (Strength will rise)

Christ be our light

FIRST READING Luke 2: 22-40 (p1028) SECOND READING Hebrews 2: 14-18 (p1202)

SERMON Waiting for God, O!

St Peter's 5.00pm Evening Prayer (BCP)

HYMNS 327 Immortal, invisible

102 Come thou long expected Jesus

463 May the mind of Christ my Saviour

735 We rest on thee

<u>PSALM 132</u> said from the Book of Common Prayer (p519)

CANTICLE Nunc Dimittis

FIRST READING Luke 2: 22-40 (p1028) SECOND READING Hebrews 2: 14-18 (p1202)

SERMON Waiting for God, O!

* THIS WEEK PLEASE PRAY FOR ...*

the friends and family of Barbara Lanaway, aged 89, former member of St Peter's and PCC Secretary. Barbara's funeral will take place on Thursday 3 February at 3.00pm at St Peter's.

and the family and friends of St Mark's member Doreen McKinnon, aged 92, of Honeypots Road. Doreen's funeral will take place on Monday 21 February at 1.00pm at St Peter's and all who knew Doreen are welcome.

and the family and friends of John Hart, aged 92, of Riverdale Drive.

and also Mary Angus, Eileen & Peter Bliss, Patrick Chapman, Frank Davenport, Peter Eales, Jan Kimnell, Trevor Lloyd, Ketsiya Melamane, Christopher Pomeroy, Lynda Salmond, Debbie Still, Pam Upcott, Brian Whitehorn and Geoff Williams.

* MORNING PRAYER BIBLE READINGS - UPDATED *

Bible Readings for Week beginning 31 January

Mon 31 Jan	Psalm 3	Genesis 18: 1-15
Tue 1 Feb	Psalm 6	Genesis 18: 16-33
Wed 2 Feb	Psalm 12	Genesis 19: 1-3, 12-29
Thu 3 Feb	Psalm 18: 1-24	Genesis 21: 1-21
Fri 4 Feb	Psalm 18: 25-50	Genesis 22: 1-19

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

* WARDEN'S WINDOW *

At Connect Group this week I was sharing the story of the robot cleaner we have at work – think of a small "Metal Mickey". It pootles up and down the corridors, at its controller's behest, ensuring they are clean and tidy. It pootles in the middle of the corridor, when you're trying to get round it with a cage full of stock, oblivious to your presence and it's not bound by the rules which say it must wear a face mask when in the hospital. It doesn't need holidays and it is unlikely to go off sick – unless for a maintenance service. When its battery power has finally faded, it "closes its eyes and goes to sleep" while it charges up ready for the next clean. All very cute, all very reliable, all very non-human.

Compare this to a small, fragile baby boy, who cannot come to the temple for his presentation without being carried by his mother or father. A human child who will be vulnerable to sickness and need his rest. Yet one who will clean up the mess that litters our human lives which cannot be seen with the naked eye.

Jesus is "A light for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to his people Israel". He is hope for us all. There is not one piece of rubbish in our lives Jesus cannot clean us up from and indeed recycle it for his greater good. Just pootle over in His direction – unlike "Metal Mickey", Jesus isn't oblivious to your presence.

Jacquie

Sunday 6 February2022 Fourth Sunday before Lent

9.30am All Souls' Morning Worship (CW)10.00am St Peter's Holy Communion (CW)

This service will be livestreamed

11.00am St Mark's Morning Worship (CW)

* 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

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. Please ask Helen in the Parish Office if you would like one – or on a regular basis.

WHAT'S ON

We meet on Zoom for Morning Prayer on Monday to Friday, 9.00am to 9.30am.

Monday 31 Jan	8.00pm	Parish Prayer Meeting	On Zoom
Tuesday 1 Feb	10.00am	Tots Toddlers	St Mark's
Tuesday 1 Feb	7.45pm	St Peter's Church Council	Zoom
Thursday 3 Feb	3.00pm	Funeral of Barbara Lanaway	St Peter's
Friday 4 Feb	2.30pm	Connections Café	Church Centre
Sunday 6 Feb	6.00pm	Youth Group	St Mark's

The Youth Group meets 1st and 3rd Sunday evenings during term-time, 6.00-7.30pm at St Mark's Church. Everyone in School Years 7-13 is very welcome. Contact Sarah Thomas via <u>vicar@stpeterwoking.org</u>

* YOUTH GROUP - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - NEW *

We need a minimum of two over-18s to run each Youth Group and would like to grow a small team of regulars and 'bank' volunteers.

If you can cook pizza, set-up tables, make drinks or join in/lead activities, we can use your skills!

Contact Sarah Thomas via vicar@stpeterwoking.org

* ST PETER'S REFRESHMENTS ROTA - THIRD SUNDAY *

I'm looking for a couple of people to cover the third Sunday slot on the Refreshments rota at St Peter's.

If you are interested, I'm happy to show you the ropes – the coffee machine is really easy to work. Please speak to me on Sunday or contact me in the office during the week. Helen Maguire



* DIOCESAN SYNOD *

There are currently vacancies for lay people on Diocesan Synod, Guildford Diocese's governing body. They meet 3 times a year on Saturdays and help shape the Diocese's support for parishes. If you are interested in being on synod and want to know more please speak with Jonathan by Saturday 30 January.

* CONNECTIONS CAFÉ - NEW*



Connections Cafe meets this Friday 4 February, in the Church Centre from 2.30pm to 5.00pm.

A space to chat and do various activities whilst having a cup of tea or coffee. Sandwiches and cake will be served from 4.00pm

Please contact Brenda Cox 07921 160684 for further details or if you require a lift.

* FELLOWSHIP LUNCH – SUNDAY 13 FEBRUARY – NEW *



We will be holding a Fellowship Lunch on Sunday 13 February.

The menu is as follows:

Main course: Fisherman's Pie

with seasonal vegetables.

Dessert: Apple Crumble and Custard.

We will be taking bookings – either by phone to the Parish Office on 755852 or in person at church.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Helen and Martin.

* WORDS & MUSIC WITH TERRY WAITE AND MATTHEW RICKARD -NEW* Friday 25 March - 7.00pm - St. Martin's, East Horsley KT24 6RL

Many of you will remember the words and music event with Terry Waite that St Peter's hosted a couple of years ago. Terry, along with our organist Matthew will be taking part in a repeat event at St Martin's Church in East Horsley on Friday 25 March, starting at 7.00pm.



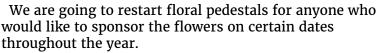
Terry will read extracts from his writings on his life experiences, which will be interspersed with music played by Matthew.

Tickets cost £15 and be purchased online. The easiest way is to visit

https://easthorsleychurch.org.uk/ and then scroll down to the link to buy tickets for this performance.

Do speak to Matthew if you would like any further information.

* ST PETER'S SPONSORED FLOWERS - NEW *



There will be a clipboard at the back of church for those who wish to put their names down for specific dates.

The arranger will contact the sponsor regarding amount to be spent as well as colours and flowers required.

Any queries please contact Lynne Moore 01932 351029.



* DEANERY SYNOD - OPEN TO ALL - NEW *

Tuesday 8 February at 8.00pm on Zoom

We will be having a guest speaker, Jane Whittington, the Diocesan Schools Officer for Christian Distinctiveness, speaking on "Engaging with schools as we come out of the pandemic". Jane has a wealth of experience and there will be time for Q&A and discussion and all are welcome. The meeting will be held over Zoom using the link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85033401658?pwd=cWhkWnJmVmNLVStMWjlsZnk5Z0Uodz09 Meeting ID: 850 3340 1658, Passcode: 003645"

* OPEN THE BOOK *

We are thinking of restarting our *Open the Book* team with the New Life Church, which involves going into Kingfield and Westfield primary schools every fortnight and acting out a Bible story in their assembly. It is great fun and brings the Bible alive to children, many of whom get no exposure to the Bible.



We need a few more people to be involved if we are to restart it. It doesn't require any real acting ability or learning lines, just a willingness to have a go! It is likely to be on a Monday but would need finalising with schools.

If you are interested, even if you can only get involved occasionally, please contact Jonathan.

* LEGACIES - NEW *

One of the best ways you can help support this parish in the long term is to leave a legacy in your will; these are exempt from inheritance tax. Legacies have enabled us to undertake many building projects and employ our Children's and Families' Minister so they make a massive difference. They are particularly useful if they have no restrictions on them so the parish can use them where they are most needed at the time.

If you would like to consider leaving a legacy in your will go to https://www.churchlegacy.org.uk/ for more information or contact our treasurer Allen Taylor on 01932 340816 or allen@ajcontactus.co.uk