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**Notes
& News**

Sunday 8 January 2023

Epiphany Sunday



* MICK MOORSE – NEW *

As some of you may have heard, it is with great sadness we report that the Revd Mick Moore died on Tuesday 3 January, in hospital after a short illness.

Mick has been a cornerstone of this parish for many decades, his ministry has been a real blessing to many of us and he will be greatly missed. I will say a bit more about him in Vicar's View on a later page so please read on.

No date has been set for his funeral yet, but we will let you know as soon as it is arranged. Please pray for his sons Pete, Steve and Phil and the rest of his family and for us, the church family, as we mourn him.



Sunday 8 January

All Souls' 9.30am HOLY COMMUNION (CW)

HYMNS 740 We three kings
65 Brightest and best
337 In the bleak midwinter
39 As with gladness

EPISTLE Ephesians 3: 1-12 (p1174)

GOSPEL Matthew 2: 1-12 (p966)

SERMON Give and take

St Peter's 10.00am MORNING WORSHIP (CW)

This service will be live-streamed

HYMNS 740 We three kings
The splendour of the king
Give thanks with a grateful heart
Our Father everlasting
39 As with gladness

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

FIRST READING Matthew 2: 1-12 (p966)

SECOND READING Ephesians 3: 1-12 (p1174)

SERMON Hunt the King!

St Mark's 11.00am HOLY COMMUNION (CW)

HYMNS 740 We three kings
1000 King of kings, majesty
337 In the bleak midwinter
39 As with gladness

EPISTLE Ephesians 3: 1-12 (p1174)

GOSPEL Matthew 2: 1-12 (p966)

SERMON Give and take

St Peter's 5.00pm EVENING PRAYER (BCP)

HYMNS 529 O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness
39 As with gladness
65 Brightest and best
204 Hail to the Lord's anointed

PSALM 98 said from the Book of Common Prayer (p471)

CANTICLE Deus Misereatur

FIRST READING Matthew 2: 1-12 (p966)

SECOND READING Ephesians 3: 1-12 (p1174)

SERMON Give and take

* VICAR'S VIEW *

The news I received this week that Mick Moorse had died hit me hard, as I know it has many of you. I have known Mick for nearly nine years as a much-valued colleague in ministry here in this parish. Mick had so many good qualities, but what stood out for me was his passion for people to know Jesus and the salvation that he brings, because Jesus had brought him so much joy, peace and purpose and assurance of his eternal salvation.

He was often coming up with suggestions of how we as churches could share the good news of Jesus with people in this parish and his sermons always brought out that passion. In recent years Mick suffered greatly with a cancer diagnosis, Pat's Alzheimer's and the stroke which affected his movement so much. Like Job his suffering made him ask big questions of his faith, which helped strengthen it and which he talked about in a wonderful sermon last May.

There is so much more which can be said about Mick and the influence for good he had on so many lives which will come out during his funeral and in conversations over the next few weeks. But today I want to acknowledge the shared grief that so many of us have. We have lost a wonderful person, a committed, loving, wise and generous priest to this parish and it affects us deeply. We thank God for him and his ministry, but we miss him and he leaves a hole in our hearts and in this parish.

Mick was always giving me ideas for sermon series and last year, no doubt with eternity on his mind, he was behind our August series on the Resurrection and our Advent series on the Second Coming of Jesus.

So although we grieve together, as Paul says in 1 Thessalonians 4:13-14 "We do not grieve like the rest of mankind, who have no hope. For we believe that Jesus died and rose again, and so we believe that God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in him." We share with Mick that hope of the resurrection to eternal life for all who believe in Jesus as their saviour and we look forward with confidence to seeing Mick, and Pat, again one day. In the meantime let's remember Mick with great joy, share our stories and emotions, and encourage one another in our hope in Christ.

Jonathan

*** MORNING PRAYER BIBLE READINGS – UPDATED ***

Mon 9 January	Psalm 8	Matthew 3: 13-17 <i>Baptism of Christ</i>
Tue 10 January	Psalm 9	1 Corinthians 1: 1-17
Wed 11 January	Psalm 19	1 Corinthians 1: 18-31
Thu 12 January	Psalm 20	1 Corinthians 2
Fri 13 January	Psalm 24	1 Corinthians 3

All days are on Zoom except Thursdays when we usually meet in St Peter's Church. However, On the first Thursday of the month instead of Morning Prayer in St Peter's we will be starting at St Peter's at 9.00am and walking around our local community to pray for 30-40 minutes. All welcome

To join Morning Prayer on Zoom enter Meeting ID: 498 905 544 Passcode: 668876

WHAT'S ON

St Peter's is open Monday-Friday 9.00am -12.30pm, Saturday and Sunday 10.00am-6.00pm All Souls' is open on Sundays from 9.00am-6.00pm.

CONNECT GROUPS MEET THIS WEEK FOR "LENT" COURSE

Tuesday 10 January	Tots	10.00am	St Mark's
Tuesday 10 January	Refresh Café	2.30pm	St Mark's
Sunday 15 January	Youth Group	6.00pm	St Mark's
Thursday 19 January	Environmental Team	7.30pm	Vicarage

The Youth Group (School years 7-13), meets twice a month, 6.00-7.30pm at St Mark's, for food, fun and discipleship.

Contact Sarah Thomas via vicar@stpeterwoking.org or Jenny Jones on jennydickin98@gmail.com for more information.

*** PARISH UNITED SERVICE ON SUNDAY 30 JANUARY – NEW ***

We are gathering together at All Souls' Church on Sunday 30 January at 9.30am for a special Parish United Service.

As well as celebrating the Presentation of Jesus at the Temple it will be the baptism service for Georgia Jones and Dean Pusey will be coming to speak.

There will be no other morning services in the parish that week.

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

the family and friends of our long-serving minister and friend to the whole parish, Mick Moore, aged 86, of Bonsey Close.

the family and friends of Patrick Langrishe.

the family and friends of Simon Crooks-Meredith, of West Byfleet

Mary Angus, Eileen & Peter Bliss, Pam Eales, Peter Eales, Gladys Etherington, Jan Kinnell, Lynda Kirk, Barbara Lloyd, Trevor Lloyd, Rosemary McCrum, Olive Park, Eric Rice, Carol & Brian Whitehorn, Mary & Geoff Williams and Christian Wolters.

Sunday 15 January 2023
Second Sunday of Epiphany

All Souls'	9.30am	Morning Worship (BCP)
St Peter's	10.00am	Morning Worship (CW)
St Mark's	11.00am	Morning Worship (CW)

*** PARISH SUPPORT FUND ***

We recognise that there are huge financial pressures on many people at the moment with the cost-of-living crisis so would like to remind you we have a Parish Support Fund which can make one-off payments to help people through a difficult time. We are also able to refer people to the South Woking Foodbank.

If you know of someone who would benefit from this or if you need help yourself please contact Mark, Pauline or Jonathan for more details.

*** ACCESSING OUR LIVESTREAMED SERVICES ***

The Sunday morning services are livestreamed from St Peter's most weeks on YouTube at 10.00am except the 4th Sunday when they usually come from St Mark's at 11.00am via www.stpeterwoking.org/sundaylive which provides a link to YouTube, a service sheet and other information about the service

*** 'LENT' COURSE ON MENTAL HEALTH – REVISED ***

All are welcome as we run our 'Lent' course over 6 fortnights in Connect Groups, starting this week.

The Sanctuary Course was born out of the conviction that informed and empathetic conversations about mental health challenges can transform communities of faith. It helps people look at the important and very relevant issues of mental health theologically and openly and is for everyone whatever your mental health is like.

If you are not in a Connect Group and would like to join one of the groups running it, starting week beginning 9 January please contact Jonathan or a Connect Group leader.

*** VERGERS REQUIRED FOR WEDDINGS, FUNERALS AND BAPTISMS NEW ***

We are looking for a few more people to join our list of vergers to help with weddings, baptisms and funerals. It is a paid role and involves setting up the church, welcoming people and giving out service sheets etc. Training will be given. It would only be for a few dates in a year as and when needed.

If you could help please contact Caroline in the parish office.

*** HELP NEEDED ON SUNDAYS AT ST PETER'S – NEW ***

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who over the years have served as either welcomers or on the refreshment team at St Peter's.

However, we now have a couple of vacancies that need to be filled. Would you be able to join our Welcome or Refreshment teams at St Peter's on Sunday mornings? Training will be given.

For further information please talk to Pauline Wilde 722098.



Rest in Peace Mick