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Sunday 1 June 2025

Seventh Sunday of Easter

* WELCOME TO CANDY WONG AT ST PETER'S TODAY * Candy is from Across ministries and will be preaching this morning.

* PENTECOST SUNDAY NEXT WEEK - 8 JUNE * As is our custom, to celebrate Pentecost next Sunday please wear something red to our morning services to remind us of the fire of the Holy Spirit.

* CHURCH FAMILIES' PENTECOST PARTY - 8 JUNE * After our All-Age service all our St Peter's Church families are invited to a Pentecost Party in the Church Centre with lots of fun activities, games and lunch

* STABILIS DUO AT ST PETER'S - Saturday 7 June at 5.00pm * We look forward to welcoming piano duet Stabilis Duo who will captivate you with their electrifying performance and exquisite interpretations.

For more information and to book this free concert go to www.stpeterwoking.org/stabilis or you can just turn up. Flyers are available in church, so please invite friends and neighbours. We still need cakes and biscuits for refreshments afterwards so please contact Jonathan if you can help.



Sunday 1 June 2025 Seventh Sunday of Easter

All Souls'9.30amMORNING WORSHIP (CW)HYMNS207, 201, 89, 31PSALM 97said from the church Bible (p603)FIRST READINGLuke 6: 12-16 (p1033)SECOND READINGActs 1: 12-end (p1092)

St Peter's 10.00am HOLY COMMUNION and Sunday School (This service will be livestreamed)

<u>HYMNS</u>	7, 200, 31, 506	
<u>For the EPISTLE</u>	Acts 1: 12-end (p1092)	
<u>GOSPEL</u>	Luke 6: 12–16 (p1033)	
<u>SERMON</u>	Candy Wong - Across	

<u>St Mark's</u> 11.00am MORNING WORSHIP (CW)

 HYMNS
 870, 31, 857, 99

 PSALM 97
 said from the church Bible (p603)

 FIRST READING
 Luke 6: 12-16 (p1033)

 SECOND READING
 Acts 1: 12-end (p1092)

<u>Please note:</u> There is no evening service at St Peter's this week.

* THIS WEEK PLEASE PRAY FOR ...*

the family and friends of John Francis, aged 103, of Selwood Road. and for Mary Angus, Wendy Aplin, Peter Bliss, Alison and Ian Cole, Lynda Kirk, Chris Randall, Eric Rice, Lynda Salmond, Carol & Brian Whitehorn, Valerie Walker and Mary & Geoff Williams.

* THIS WEEK'S MORNING PRAYER – Daily at 9.00am *

alm 93 Novena Day 5
alm 68 Novena Day 6
alm 2 Novena Day 7
alm 24 Novena Day 8
alm 28 Novena Day 9

To join Morning Prayer on Zoom enter Meeting ID: 498 905 544 Passcode: 668876 On Thursdays we usually meet in person at St Peter's

WHAT'S ON

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

CONNECT GROUPS MEET THIS WEEK

Sunday 1 June	Youth Group	St Mark's	6.00pm
Monday 2 June	Romans Bible Course	Church Centre	7.15pm
Tuesday 3 June	TOTS Toddlers	St Mark's	10.00am
Wednesday 4 June	Hale End Court Service		3.30pm
Thursday 5 June	Deanery Synod	Woodhill Church	7.30pm
Friday 6 June	Connections Café	Church Centre	2.30pm
Saturday 7 June	Stabilis Duo Piano Conc	ert at St Peter's	5.00pm

Sunday 8 June 2025 PENTECOST

9.30am	All Souls'	Holy Communion (CW)
10.00am	St Peter's	All-Age Worship with baptisms This service will be livestreamed
11.00am	St Mark's	Holy Communion (CW)
6.30pm	St Peter's	Evening Prayer (BCP)

* SUTTON GREEN VILLAGE FETE – SATURDAY 21 JUNE *

All Souls' are running a cake stall again and need lots of contributions of cakes and volunteers for the stall. Please contact Angela Quitmann on 01483 721834 or let Jonathan know if you can help.

* CONNECTIONS CAFÉ *

Connections Café will be meeting on Friday 6 June from 2.30pm to 5.00pm in St Peter's Church Centre.

There will be an opportunity to chat over tea and coffee; sandwiches and cake will be served from 4.00pm. Our activity this month is 'Grave Talk' led by Jonathan.

Please contact either Brenda Cox 07921 160684 or the Parish Office for more details or if you require a lift.

* SUNDAY 15 JUNE – NEW *

On this Sunday we will be having our **Mission Gift Day** for our Mission Partner St Michael's, Sheerwater in our morning services where we will be finding out more about their ministry and providing an opportunity to give towards it.

Our next **Revive** service which has a focus on the Holy Spirit and has contemporary music led by the band is at 6.00pm at St Mark's. All are welcome.

* FINANCIAL GIVING TO THE CHURCH – NEW *

As part of our Christian discipleship we should be giving regularly to God's work including our local church which receives no money from the government of Church of England. Regular giving enables us to provide our Sunday services, maintain our churches and serve our community. If you are not a regular giver can we encourage you to do so in one of three ways:

1. Join the Parish Giving Scheme – this is an excellent scheme which enables you to give a fixed amount every month and if you are a taxpayer automatically gives us Gift Aid, saving a lot of work for our Gift Aid secretary and helping our cash flow. You can easily change the amount you give online or with a phone call. For more details or to join the scheme go to <u>https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/home</u> or pick up a leaflet at the back of each church.

2. **Give by standing order** – set up a standing order with your bank to give regularly to the parish, weekly, monthly, quarterly or annually. If you are a tax payer please fill out a Gift Aid form so our Gift Aid secretary can claim it back. Standing order and Gift Aid forms are available in each church.

3. Give in the weekly collection in church – you can put cash or a cheque made payable to 'The Parish of St Peter Woking' in the collection plate on Sundays and if you are a tax payer use the white envelopes at the back of each church to Gift Aid it. Or use the card reader at St Peter's (and soon at St Mark's) which enables debit/credit card transactions.

If you ever wish to make a one-off donation or want to find out more about financial giving to the parish please go to

www.stpeterwoking,org/giving, speak with Jonathan or our treasurer, Louise Webb, treasurer@stpeterwoking.org.

* COMMUNITY FRIDGE – NEW * Community Fridge volunteers' meeting - Weds 11 June 11.15am-12.45pm at St Mark's

Plans are ramping up for our planned opening date of Wednesday 18 June and in preparation for this we will be holding a briefing and training meeting for volunteers on 11 June. This will explain the ethos of the fridge, how it will run and basic training in food hygiene and manual handling. If you're interested in being part of the fridge team please do come along if you can (RSVP to Rachel) or let Rachel know if you're interested but can't make that day. We are looking for volunteers to join a rota for the following roles:

Fridge set up - Weds mornings approx 10.30am-11.30am (will need to be a bit flexible on timings depending on when the food delivery arrives). This will involve preparing the fridge for the afternoon session (checking it's clean and pest free, checking all equipment is working properly, receiving food deliveries and putting food away).

Fridge opening – Weds afternoons 1.00pm–3.45pm. This will involve looking after visitors to the fridge (managing the queue, supervising them as they choose food, answering questions, dealing with any issues such as spillages), cleaning after the session and disposing of any food that is no longer fit to eat.

Outside of this, we would welcome help with publicity and other behind the scenes activities. Longer term we will explore collecting food from local shops so will be looking for volunteer drivers.

If you have any questions please speak to Rachel, and please do pray for this exciting project.

* COMMUNITY GARDEN AT ST MARK'S – NEW *

The Community Garden is now really taking shape, and thanks to lots of generous donations, the third planter is now full of soil and happily nurturing some vegetables!

There is a group that meets every Wednesday at 11.00am to garden together and all are welcome to come along. On Wednesday 4th June, we are having a repeat visit from an RHS expert, to continue to teach us best practices!

* RACHEL'S RAMBLINGS *

Where is God? That's easy to answer when you're walking along the River Wey watching the dragonflies, or singing along to Handel's Messiah or spending time with good friends, but it's harder when you're sitting by a hospital bed or grieving for a loved one, or when the TV screen shows carnage in Liverpool and starvation in Gaza.

How do we find hope and meaning in such moments? How do we find God? How do we even pray? The psalms are such a good resource in times like this, as they contain all the words we need to express grief, anger and bewilderment, to encounter comfort and hope, and so to discover that it is in the darkest moments that the crucified Christ is most deeply present with us. If you're not familiar with the psalms why not add them to your daily reading? They will enrich your life.

Where can I go from your Spirit?

Where can I flee from your presence? If I go up to the heavens, you are there;

if I make my bed in the depths, you are there.

If I rise on the wings of the dawn,

if I settle on the far side of the sea,

even there your hand will guide me,

your right hand will hold me fast.

Psalm 139: 7-10

Rachel

* CONFIRMATION – NEW *

If you are interested in confirming or re-confirming your faith the next Confirmation service is on Sunday 21 September. Please speak with Jonathan or Lucy to find out more.

* ECO-TIP FOR JUNE FROM JONATHAN- NEW *

Forgive me for giving a theological eco-tip, but I think many people don't bother or are intermittent in caring for creation, because they don't think what they do makes a difference when so many people and businesses and nations don't seem to care. Like many things in faith we don't just do it to make a difference (important though that is), but we do it to please our Heavenly Father who has asked us to take care of his world. As Jesus said in Matthew 25:40 "Whatever you did for the least of these you did for me."

	SERVICES IN JUNE				
	All Souls' 9.30am	St Peter's 10.00am	St Mark's 11.00am	St Peter's 6.30pm	
Sunday 1 June	Morning Worship (CW)	Holy Communion (CW) and Sunday School	Morning Worship (CW)		
Sunday 8 June	Holy Communion (CW)	All-Age Worship	Holy Communion (CW)	Evening Prayer (BCP)	
Sunday 15 June	Morning Worship (BCP)	Holy Communion (CW) and Sunday School	All-Age Worship	St Mark's <u>6.00pm</u> Revive Service	
Sunday 22 June	Morning Worship Outdoors (CW)	Morning Worship Energise Service	Morning Worship (CW)	Holy Communion BCP	
Thursday 26 June		Holy Communion <u>10.30am</u>			
Sunday 29 June	PARISH UNITED SERVICE at St Mark's <u>11.00am</u> ENVIRONMENT SUNDAY			Evening Prayer BCP	

* CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS – HARRY BAKER EVENT 3-4 JULY *

We are due to welcome 400 visitors to St Peter's over two evenings for the Harry Baker event in July so we need volunteers to: set up, steward, serve refreshments, and bake cakes beforehand. If you can help, please speak to Lucy: <u>curate@stpeterwoking.org</u>