

## WHAT'S ON

*St Peter's is open from 9.00am – 12 noon Mon – Fri  
and Sundays 11.30am – 6.00pm  
All Souls' is open from 9.00am – 6.00pm on Tue & Sun*

Mon 18 Dec	9.00am	Morning Prayer	St Peter's
Mon 18 Dec	11.00am	Carols at Mayford Grange	
Tue 19 Dec	9.00am	Morning Prayer	All Souls'
Tue 19 Dec	9.00am	Hearing Aid Clinic	St Peter's (NB no clinic next week)
Tue 19 Dec	9.30am	Kingfield School Carols	St Peter's
Tue 19 Dec	3.00pm	Bereavement Drop-In Café	C Centre
Wed 20 Dec	8.00am	Morning Prayer	St Mark's
Thu 21 Dec	9.00am	Morning Prayer	St Peter's
Thu 21 Dec	10.00am	Carols and Communion	Homeworth House
Thu 21 Dec	11.30am	Carols at Moorcroft	
Thu 21 Dec	4.15pm	Kingsmoor Park Carols	
Thu 21 Dec	5.00pm	Christmas Cardinals	Jubilee Square
Fri 22 Dec	7.00pm	Carols by Candlelight	St Mark's

## Sunday 24 December

*Fourth Sunday in Advent – Christmas Eve*

### St Mark's

**10.00am** Parish United All-Age Service

*Please note: No morning services at St Peter's or All Souls'*

### St Peter's

**4.00pm** Christingle Service

**11.00pm** Midnight Communion

### All Souls'

**6.00pm** Carols by Candlelight

## \* PARISH STAFF \*

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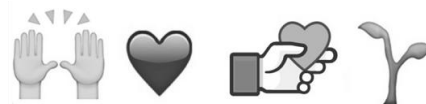


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**ST PETER'S • ST MARK'S • ALL SOULS'**

# NOTES & NEWS

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## Sunday 17 December

*Third Sunday in Advent*



### Lighting the Advent Wreath

*(To be said by everyone when the candles are lit)*

**Lord Jesus, light of the world,  
John the Baptist told the people to prepare,  
for you were very near.**

**As Christmas grows closer day by day,  
help us to be ready to welcome you now.  
Amen.**

## \* CAROL SINGING \*

There are a number of opportunities to bless the community through carol singing this Christmas. We need singers, so whatever your voice is like please come along to one or these if you can:



**Joy to the World!**

### Today 4.00pm – All Souls' Village Carol Singing 4.00pm.

**Meet at the Olive Tree pub. Christmas drinks and  
Christingles in the village hall from 5pm**

Thu 21 December - 11.30am – Carols at Moorcroft Day Centre

Thu 21 December - 4.15pm – Carols at Kingsmoor Park Estate  
*(see below)*

## \* CAROL SINGING AT KINGSMOOR PARK

### CHRISTMAS EVENT \*

The Housing Association is organising an open air event in the centre of Kingsmoor Park for residents on Thursday 21 December from 4.00 – 6.00 pm. St Mark's has agreed to arrange a group to sing carols at 4.15 pm. We will sing to recorded music and take carol sheets to encourage everyone to join in.

If you are free between 4.00pm and 5.00pm that day, please come and join our "choir" and help us make a joyful noise and chat to the residents. Members of all three churches will be most welcome. Please let Rosemary know if you can come: phone 772735 or [rosemary.mccrum@ntlworld.com](mailto:rosemary.mccrum@ntlworld.com)

**\* ST PETER'S \***

**10.00am HOLY COMMUNION (CW)**  
**HYMNS** *Light of the World 538 Longing for Light 560*  
**OLD TESTAMENT** Isaiah 40: 1-11 (p723)  
**GOSPEL** John 1: 6-8, 19-28 (p1063)  
**SERMON** **What do you say about yourself?**

**7.00pm CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT**

**\* ALL SOULS' \***

**9.30am CRIB SERVICE**

**4.00pm Village Carol Singing**

**\* ST MARK'S \***

**11.00am CRIB SERVICE**

**\* YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED \***

for the friends and family of Lilian Marlow, aged 82, of Bernard Sunley Nursing Home. Lilian's funeral will take place on Friday 22 December at 11.45am at Woking Crematorium

**\* BEREAVEMENT DROP-IN CAFÉ \***

Our next meeting is on **Tuesday 19 December at 3.00pm in St Peter's Church Centre.**

As you may appreciate, coping with the death of a partner, close friend or family member is one of the hardest challenges that many of us will ever face. This time of year is when those who are grieving can feel very lonely, even in the midst of company. Please hold them in your thoughts and prayers this Christmas.

We normally meet on the third Tuesday of the month. If you have any queries please contact me: Many thanks. Rev Bev

**\* CHRISTINGLE MAKING \***

**Saturday 23 December 10.00am**

Get into the festive spirit and help make Christingles for our Christmas Eve service for an hour or so at St Peter's Church Centre

**\* A "BIG THANK YOU" \***

to you all for supporting the Fellowship Lunches in 2017. Last Sunday we raised £230.00 profit from our Christmas lunch; this money is going towards the dishwasher, which performed very well. We look forward to cooking for you again in 2018, make a note that the Fellowship Lunch will be on the second Sunday of each month.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you all.

Love and Prayers. Martin & Helen

**\* CHRISTMAS CARDINALS \***

**Thursday 21 December 5.00pm – 7.30pm**

This year they are relocating on the evening of Thursday 21 December to the heart of Woking, Jubilee Square, for an open air carol event and opportunity to meet the players and management. There will be interviews, games, carols and readings, KC Kat, displays, autograph opportunities, a school choir, a barbecue – all accompanied by the Salvation Army Brass Band. We also want to see if any youngsters have better skills than the players.

So put it in the diary, come down and bring your family and friends. Please dress festively and in club colours if you can. There will be a prize for the best Christmas and Woking FC themed outfit. Any questions – please contact Ian Nicholson on [iannicholson@matrixtrust.com](mailto:iannicholson@matrixtrust.com)

**Origins Bookshop** will stay open late to coincide with the above event. They will be offering 20% discount on all items in the shop that day, as well as being open late.

**\* CHRISTMAS SERVICES \***

**Tonight** – 7.00pm Carols by Candlelight at St Peter's  
Friday 22 Dec – 7.00pm Carols by Candlelight at St Mark's  
Christmas Eve – 10.00am Parish United Service at St Mark's  
(No morning services at All Souls' or St Peter's)  
– 4.00pm Christingle at St Peter's  
– 6.00pm Carols by Candlelight at All Souls'  
– 11.00pm Midnight Communion at St Peter's  
Christmas Day – 9.30am All-age Communion at All Souls'  
– 10.00am All-age Communion at St Peter's  
– 11.00am All-age Communion at St Mark's  
Sunday 31 Dec – 10.00am Parish United Service at St Peter's  
(No morning service at 'All Souls' or St Mark's)

**\* CONNECT DATES 2018 \***

**Weeks beginning Monday**

8 January

22 January

5 February

Then during Lent there will be weekly Lent groups on Monday and Thursday evenings and Wednesday mornings instead of Connect Groups on these weeks:

*Ash Wednesday – 14 February – HC at All Souls'*

19 February

26 February

5 March

12 March

19 March

*Maundy Thursday – 29 March HC at St Peter's*

Then Connect Groups resume

16 April

30 April

*Ascension Day – 10 May HC at St Mark's*

14 May

4 June

18 June

2 July

16 July

**\* FAITH AND FILM CONNECT GROUP \***

Please note that there is **no** connect Faith and Film in January. The next one will be on the 6 Feb at 7.30pm, in St Peter's Church Centre. Faith and Film provides the space for us to draw on specific themes found in selected films and discuss them in relation to the Christian faith and the culture of our time. To-date we have explored themes such as anger, doubt, suffering, sacrifice and selflessness, forgiveness and others. Many thanks. Rev Bev

**MICK'S MUSINGS**

*I read the other day of many of the traditions associated with Christmas. If you keep half of them you are doing well! There are so many of them. A lot are to do with eating.*

*But amidst it all, let's not forget as Christians we celebrate and give thanks for the birth of Jesus. Yesterday, on television, they showed a picture of the night sky and the comet, or was it the meteor trail, that lit up the sky.*

*I was reminded of an occasion when I was particularly moved by seeing the night sky. I was in Uganda at the time and I had never seen the night sky without any light pollution. It was truly breath-taking and it made me think of the one who had created it all.*

*And it is at Christmas that we remember that the One who made the universe came to this planet as a tiny helpless babe. It is not logical but it's true – "Hands that flung stars into space, to cruel nails surrendered" Only God could have thought up such a plan. So let us not forget, amidst all the traditions, what Christmas is really all about.*

*Wishing you Peace and Joy this Christmas.*

*Mick*