

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

Lent Course begins this week

Monday 19 Feb	9.00am	Morning Prayer	St Peter's
Tuesday 20 Feb	9.00am	Morning Prayer	All Souls'
Tuesday 20 Feb	9.00am	Hearing Aid Clinic	St Peter's
Tuesday 20 Feb	10.00am	TOTS	St Mark's
Tuesday 20 Feb	2.15pm	Women's Fellowship	St Mark's
Tuesday 20 Feb	3.00pm	Bereavement Café	Church Centre
Tuesday 20 Feb	7.45pm	All Souls' DCC	Church Room
Wednesday 21 Feb	8.00am	Morning Prayer	St Mark's
Wednesday 21 Feb	10.00am	SPARKS	Church Centre
Thursday 22 Feb	9.00am	Morning Prayer	St Peter's
Sunday 25 Feb	6.00pm	L8	St Mark's

Sunday 25 February	9.30am	All Souls'	Holy Communion (CW)
	10.00am	St Peter's	Morning Worship (CW)
	11.00am	St Mark's	Morning Worship (CW)
	3.30pm	All Souls'	Memorial Service – Michael Greig
	4.00pm	St Peter's	Messy Church
	6.30pm	St Peter's	Evening Prayer (BCP)

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Notes & News

Sunday 18 February 2018

First Sunday in Lent

And now these three remain, faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

1 Corinthians 13:13

* WEDDING DRESS DISPLAY AND ST VALENTINE'S THANKSGIVING SERVICE *

A number of beautiful wedding dresses are on display at St Peter's Church. The display, which is open to the public, provides a wonderful opportunity for visitors to share memories of their big day. It ends today with a St Valentine's Thanksgiving Service, attended by the Mayor and Mayoress of Woking, Cllr Graham and Mrs Sarah Cundy.

Looking at the lovely display of dresses with different styles, each one telling a unique story; we are reminded of the underlying message of the lives, love and hopes of couples stepping out on an unknown journey together. Our sincere thanks to everyone who so generously supported this event to make it happen.

May God bless you all.

Rev Bev



LENT COURSE – PRAYERS IN THE BIBLE *

Please join our Lent course for the whole parish which runs for every week during Lent starting this week and replaces Connect Groups:

- Mondays 7.45 for 8.00pm at the Church Centre
- Wednesdays 9.15 for 9.30am at St Mark's Church
- Thursdays 7.45 for 8pm at St Mark's Church

This week's Lent Course, *Praying through Lent*, will focus on the *Believer's prayer for 'boldness and power'* (Acts 4: 24–30).

Sign-up sheets are available in all three churches to help with numbers.

In addition Women's Fellowship will be looking at these prayers on Tuesdays at 2.15pm at St Mark's and would welcome others to join them.

* PANCAKE CAFÉ *

We had a great turnout for the Pancake Café and served about 100 pancakes. Many families and individuals came from Messy Church, Sparks, Foundations, the community and the three churches. Many thanks to all who helped especially Martin Maguire and Brenda Cox.

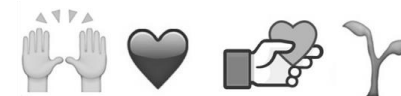


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St Mark's Church Westfield

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*** ST PETER'S ***

**10.00am SERVICE OF THE WORD
ST VALENTINE'S DAY SPECIAL**

6.30pm EVENING PRAYER (BCP)
HYMNS 160 400 446 372
PSALM 119: 17-32 from the church Bible (p617)
CANTICLE Magnificat (p19)
OLD TESTAMENT Jonah 2: (p927)
NEW TESTAMENT Mark 8: 31-38 (p1012)
SERMON **A Fishy Prayer**

*** ALL SOULS' ***

9.30am MORNING WORSHIP (BCP)
HYMNS 237 111 481 746
PSALM 25 from the church Bible (p556)
FIRST READING Mark 1: 9-15 (p1002)
SECOND READING Ephesians 1: 15-22 (p1173)
SERMON **The Power of Prayer**

*** ST MARK'S ***

11.00am MORNING WORSHIP (CW)
HYMNS 881 Lord reign in me Open
the eyes of my heart 975 Your love is amazing
FIRST READING Mark 1: 9-15 (p1002)
SECOND READING Ephesians 1: 15-22 (p1173)
SERMON **We will make our home with you**

*** YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED ***

for the family and friends of Michael Greig, aged 68, father of All Souls' member Jason Greig. A memorial service will be held at All Souls' at 3.30pm **today**, and also for the family and friends of Leslie Grant, aged 95, of Lime Grove.

*** PARISH OFFICE ***

I had an operation on my toe last Wednesday so I shall be out of action until Monday 26 February, as I am not allowed to walk on it.
Email messages will be checked regularly but phone calls will be answered only when Beverley or Tracey are in the Office (Mon, Tues, Wed & Fri); the answerphone will be on and will be checked regularly.
Helen

*** WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER – FRIDAY 2 MARCH ***

This annual worldwide event is for men as well as women and the service is usually very creative. The local services are run by Churches Together in Woking and it would be lovely if members of the parish could attend. The services are as follows:
10.00am Service at St Mary of Bethany Church, Mount Hermon Road/York Road
7.30pm Service at St Mary the Virgin Church, Horsell

*** MESSY CHURCH ***

Our next Messy Church will be on Sunday 25 February at 4pm with a theme of 'I am the gate' and 'I am the way and the truth and the life'.
If you can help with Messy Church, please contact Tracey Pusey.

Save the Date!

There will be another evening of Poetry, Prose and Puddings on Saturday 10 March at 7.30pm in the Church Centre. Put it in your diary now.

**CHURCHES TOGETHER IN
WOKING – LENT LUNCHES
Every Friday in Lent
16 February to 23 March
12 noon – 1.30pm**

at St Dunstan's RC Church, Shaftesbury Road, Woking, GU22 7DT. 'Pause For Thought' at 12.45pm, which Jonathan is giving on 2 March. All proceeds to be donated to Christian Aid.

*** REVISION OF THE ELECTORAL ROLL ***

As spring approaches, it will soon be time for another revision of the church's Electoral Roll, which is the list of those qualified to attend and vote at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting where the elections take place for the PCC and the parish's representatives on the Deanery Synod. Anyone entitled to attend the APCM may raise any question of parish or general church interest. This year we only need to have a revision of the Electoral Roll. Notices about the revision period, which began yesterday, are displayed at all three churches.

Please let me know about anyone who should be removed from the Roll or whose address or contact details have changed. If you are not on the Electoral Roll yet, but would like to be added because you consider yourself to be a member of one of the churches in our parish, please fill in an application form, sign it and pass it to one of the churchwardens or directly to me. You must be baptised, aged 16 or over and either resident in the parish or, if not resident, have attended public worship regularly at one of our churches in the last six months. I look forward to receiving some new forms by the closing date on 18th March! –

Brigitte Morton, Electoral Roll Officer

*** BEREAVEMENT DROP-IN CAFÉ – Tuesday 20 February – 3.00pm Church Centre**

At our next meeting of the Bereavement Drop-in Café, we will explore, amongst other things, *the challenges of maintaining social connections following a bereavement*.
If you would like to attend, no need for any formalities, just drop in and see whether it is for you.

*** RAISE THE ROOF – BARGAIN HUNT – Saturday 3 March, 10.00am, St Mark's ***

This will be our first event to raise funds for St Mark's roof repairs. Do bring your friends and families along for FREE coffee, tea or cold drinks and hunt for gifts and bargains. There will also be a cake stall.
Please also hunt through your cupboards and look out unwanted gifts and any items (new or very good condition) that you could donate. Bring them to St Mark's on the next two Sundays or phone Rosemary on 772735 to arrange for collection.
Donations to the £2,000 Raise the Roof appeal will be greatly appreciated. Envelopes are available at St Mark's. Cheques should be made payable to "St Mark's Church Westfield". Please use Gift Aid if you can.

VICAR'S VIEW

I was interested to hear a friend with whom I play football is not a churchgoer ask another friend what he was giving up for Lent, assuming that everyone did (though my other friend doesn't and quipped 'I'm giving up giving up things!'). Abstinence is still seen as a good thing with initiatives like 'Dry January' very popular at present, though of course we all find it hard. At the youth group L8 last Sunday we gave out 'Love Life Live Lent' booklets with suggestions for each day of Lent on either giving something up or doing something positive and the young people were horrified at the idea of giving up screens (phones, tablets, TVs, computers etc) for a day, though some warmed to the challenge later. I hope everyone is marking Lent in some special way, whether through abstinence or doing something positive, because it helps us appreciate what we take for granted, is good for the soul and, for 40 days at least, enables us to imitate Jesus in a small way.

Jonathan