

WHAT'S ON

Morning Prayer takes place at St Peter's on Mondays and Thursdays at 9.00am,
All Souls' on Tuesdays at 9.00am and St Marks on Wednesdays at 9.00am

LENT COURSES CONTINUE THIS WEEK

Monday 18 Mar	3.15pm	Refresh Café	St Mark's
Monday 18 Mar	7.45pm	Lent Course	Rectory, 28 High Street
Tuesday 19 Mar	9.00am	Hearing Aid Clinic	St Peter's
Tuesday 19 Mar	10.00am	Tots	St Mark's
Tuesday 19 Mar	2.15pm	Women's Fellowship (Lent Course)	St Mark's
Tuesday 19 Mar	3.00pm	Bereavement Café	Church Centre
Wednesday 20 Mar	9.30am	Lent Course	St Mark's
Wednesday 20 Mar	10.00am	Sparks	Church Centre
Thursday 21 Mar	7.45pm	Lent Course	St Mark's

Sunday 24 March – Third Sunday in Lent

9.30am	All Souls'	Holy Communion (CW) followed by Annual Church Meeting
10.00am	St Peter's	Morning Worship (CW)
11.00am	St Mark's	Holy Communion (SoW) followed by Annual Church Meeting
6.30pm	St Peter's	Evening Prayer (BCP)

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Notes & News

Sunday 17 March 2019 Second Sunday in Lent

* NEW ELECTORAL ROLL – 2019 *

Once every six years every parish is required to prepare a completely new Electoral Roll – and this is the year! The Electoral Roll 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. Notices about the preparation of the New Electoral Roll will be displayed at all three churches – the closing date is 8th April.

Even if you have been a church member for many years, please do not forget to fill in an application form, sign it and pass it to one of the churchwardens or directly to me so that you can be added to the new Electoral Roll. You need to be baptised and aged 16 or over and either resident in the parish or, if not resident, you need to have attended public worship regularly at one of our churches in the last six months.

I look forward to receiving plenty of forms by the closing date, but you don't need to wait until then! –
Brigitte Morton, Electoral Roll Officer

* ST PETER'S SPRING CLEAN – NEXT SATURDAY 23 MARCH *

Can you spare a few hours to join the St Peter's Clean? We hope to carry out the Spring tidy up of the churchyard and also say goodbye to those high level cobwebs in the church itself. If you're able to come and can bring basic gardening tools and any cleaning implements which would help, we would love to see you.

We hope to start around 9:00am and finish at lunch time. If you can let us know in advance, that would make the number of biscuits bought for elevenses easier to calculate!
Blessings – Lynda and Jacquie.

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*** ST PETER'S ***

**10.00am HOLY COMMUNION (CW)
and ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING**

HYMNS 160 *Men of Faith* 573 315

For the EPISTLE Acts 4: 1-22 (p1095)

GOSPEL Luke 22: 54-62 (p1059)

SERMON **From Fearful to Fearless**

**12 noon BAPTISM of
Florence Sage Whitworth**

6.30pm EVENING PRAYER (BCP)

HYMNS 641 331 133 533

PSALM 135: 1-14 said from the Bible (p626)

CANTICLE Cantate Domino (p20)

FIRST READING Luke 22: 54-62 (p1059)

SECOND READING Acts 4: 1-22 (p1095)

SERMON **From Fearful to Fearless**

*** ALL SOULS' ***

9.30am MORNING WORSHIP (BCP)

HYMNS 857 988 9 178

PSALM 27 said from the Bible (557)

OLD TESTAMENT Proverbs 3: 5-6 (p637)

NEW TESTAMENT Acts 8: 26-35 (p1101)

SERMON **How to share your Faith**

*** ST MARK'S ***

11.00am MORNING WORSHIP (CW)

HYMNS 857 988 275 178

PSALM 27 said from the Bible (557)

OLD TESTAMENT Proverbs 3: 5-6 (p637)

NEW TESTAMENT Acts 8: 26-35 (p1101)

SERMON **How to share your Faith**

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

Eric Cox, Isabel Bucksey, Trevor Lloyd and Anne Clapp and the family and friends of Jo Rannie, a former St Mark's member, who died recently. Jo's funeral will be on Wednesday 3 April at 11.30am at St Mark's.

*** BEREAVEMENT CAFÉ ***

Bereavement Cafe meets this Tuesday 19 March in the Church Centre from 3.00pm -4.30pm. If you or anyone you know is interested then please come along. A cup of tea/coffee and cake and an opportunity to share and meet with others.

*** LIFE GIVING APPEAL ***

If you have not received the parish Life Giving leaflet handed out in church over the last three weeks please take one today.

MESSY CHURCH

Our next *Messy Church* service will be on Sunday 24 March from 4.00pm – 5.45pm, when we will be exploring the theme of *Faith Stories!* All ages are invited to join us for creative activities, a celebration and a meal. Some of the activities for this month include parachute games and even a chocolate fountain!

**AUTISM AWARENESS AT
REFRESH CAFÉ**

**Monday 1 April, 3.15pm-
4.00pm at St Mark's Church.**

Come and enjoy a hot drink while finding out a bit more about autism with a short talk from the National Autistic Society. **Everyone welcome!** Collection for the National Autistic Society (Surrey branch)

CHERITH'S WEDDING

Cherith is getting married to Simon on Saturday 23 March and we would like to send them a wedding card from each church. They are available in the back of each church if you would like to sign them.

*** ANNUAL MEETINGS ***

The agenda for this year's meetings together with the minutes of last year's as well as the accounts for 2018 are available in each church today for our annual meetings so please take one.

Dates of meetings are as follows:

Today – St Peter's at 11.00am

Sunday 24 March – All Souls' at 10.30am

Sunday 24 March – St Mark's at 12 noon

Tuesday 30 April – Annual Parochial Church Meeting, 7.45pm at All Souls'

Following the business of the APCM we are delighted to welcome Ian Nicholson, Chaplain of Woking Football Club who will be speaking about his exciting work at the club

Our annual parish meeting is where we elect churchwardens, have a presentation and an opportunity to ask questions. Election forms for candidates are available in the back of church from this week. Please put your name down with a proposer and seconder before the annual meeting if your term of office has not expired. The accounts are available in church today to read in advance and the agenda will be available on the day.

*** SUNDAY 31 MARCH***

is *Mothering Sunday* and although a 5th Sunday of the month, which is usually a Parish United Service, we will celebrate it in our morning services as usual in our three churches. Our evening service will be a Sung Eucharist at 6.30pm at St Peter's.

It will also be a *Gift Day for our Mission partners, the Clouds*, working with disabled children in Egypt and Morocco.



WARDEN'S WINDOW -

I would like to use my "Wardens Window" this time to recommend a website to you, it is: www.taketime.org.uk We were introduced to this at the recent diocesan day on prayer. The site provides led Christian meditations in an audio format and you have to do is listen! The meditations are of five, ten or twenty minute duration and this can be selected at will.

I would like to recommend "Take Time" to you because meditations like these are a great way to draw closer to God and to rest in His presence, wherever you are. Personally I have found led meditations to be wonderfully helpful and I hope you do to. If you have never tried Christian meditation I really encourage you to give it a go.

If you don't have web access I can recommend a book. So please give me a ring if you would like this.

God Bless

Mark

(Tel 01483 771094)

* PCC HIGHLIGHTS *

Our Parochial Church Council met last week and here are some highlights from the meeting:

- Peter Clifford and Jenny Jones were approved to train to be Occasional Preachers. Their course starts in May.
- we discussed the issue of children receiving communion before confirmation and will be consulting with parents and congregation members over the next few months about the possibility of introducing it into the parish
- we will be initiating a 'Link' system where everyone in our churches will have someone looking out for them as was implemented in St Mark's some years ago. More details to follow
- we agreed that from now on all Parish United Services, usually on the 5th Sunday of the month, will start at the usual Sunday service time of the church it is held in rather than at the uniform time of 10.00am as they have been. These will always be publicised well in advance.

* ST PETER'S CHURCH CLEANING HELPERS *

As I am sure you are aware, we are facing a deficit this year and because of this we are trying to save money where we can. In light of this we are looking to find volunteers to take over the cleaning of the church, currently done by a professional company. We are hoping to get at least eight people who are willing to do some basic cleaning. Working in pairs, they would clean every two weeks on a Friday or Saturday, hopefully taking no more than two hours, with a more extensive clean by everybody once a quarter.



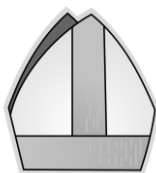
If anyone is interested in joining the team please see me at the back of church after the morning service or call me on 714638. If the answerphone is on please leave a message.
Thank you. Lynda Kirk

* ENGAGE NEWSLETTERS *

As a parish we give financial support to the *Engage* Christian charity which provides Christian ministry to Woking schools. The latest newsletter and prayer card are available at the back of church for all who are interested, so please take one.

* BISHOP'S LENT CHALLENGE *

Bishop Andrew is encouraging all of us to take part in daily reflections through lent and has put together 'Transforming Lent' leaflets available in each church, so please take one and make use of it.



* FELLOWSHIP LUNCH *

Many thanks to all who attended our fellowship lunch last Sunday. Thanks to your generosity we made a £100.00 profit for the Church Centre.

God bless. Martin & Helen

* MISSION GIFT DAYS *

Over the last few years we have had one or two Mission Gift Days to raise money for our Mission Partners but unfortunately the amount we have received at these Gift Days has been much lower than the amount we have pledged to give them, so the rest has had to come from general funds.

From this year we will be changing the way we do Gift Days and support our Mission Partners. We will hold a separate Gift Day for each Mission Partner, usually on a 5th Sunday of the month, where we will focus on their ministry and provide an opportunity to give to them, but specific envelopes for that Mission Partner will be available in the church all year so you can give to them at any time. The amount raised throughout the year will be the amount we give as a church, with the exception of Cherith to whom we pledge to give a minimum of £1000.

Sonia Hindes is finishing her time with Crosslinks in August this year and our support last year covers most of this period. We will be considering another Mission Partner to replace her.

Dates for 2019 Mission Gift Days:

<u>Sunday 31 March</u>	The Clouds
<u>Sunday 30 June</u>	CMS (The Church Mission Society who are coming to speak at Sam's first communion service when he is ordained priest)
<u>Sunday 29 September</u>	Cherith (who is planning to visit and speak about her work)



* TABLE TOP SALE *

Our next stall at the Old Woking Community Centre Mini-Market is booked for Saturday 13 April.

We have a stock of items left from the last sale, but need some new things; toiletries and children's toys and books would be especially welcome.

If you would like to help on the stall, selling and/or talking to people and offering them leaflets and free literature, please let me know. We need three or four people on the stall on a rota from 7.30 am to 12 noon. This will be a good opportunity to publicise *Messy Easter* and interest people in our Easter services and events.

Rosemary McCrum Tel: 772735 email: rosemary.mccrum@ntlworld.com

* SCIENCE/FAITH MEETING *

The first Science/Faith event of 2019, to be held on Tuesday 26 March, at 7.00 pm, at Christ Church, Purley CR8 2BN. The speaker is Professor Keith Fox, MA, MPhil, PhD, who will be speaking on 'DNA, Free Will, and Human Identity.' Prof Fox is Deputy Director of The Faraday Institute for Science and Religion, Cambridge, and Lay Reader at Highfield Church, Southampton.

The talk is suitable for non-scientists, and will be about 45 minutes long, followed by a 20-minute Q & A session. As before, the event is free of charge, with a suggested donation of £1, if possible, to cover refreshments. Science/Faith books will be on sale at competitive prices, and Christians in Science leaflets are free. Doors will open at 6.00pm. Please come along and join us for an informative talk about issues that are increasingly interesting, as current research reveals new facets of our genome.