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**Notes
& News**

Sunday 18 October 2020 Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

* ANNUAL MEETINGS *

Today our Annual Church Meeting for St Peter's will be held after the morning service at about 11.00am. It will be accessible via Zoom for those who aren't at the service (see below for details). We will be electing Parochial Church Council and District Church Council members as well as having a short report from Jonathan. Due to the latest guidance these meetings in church must be kept short so there will only be a short general open forum. It would be helpful if you have any questions to email or call Jonathan before the meeting who will answer them in his report. Questions will be able to be asked at the APCM.

Our Annual Parochial Church Meeting will be held on Tuesday 20 October at 7.45pm but will now only be via Zoom, not in St Peter's. This is because we are being more strongly encouraged now not to hold them in church and because we are not able to have an open forum for questions in church, whereas we can on Zoom. At the APCM we will be reflecting on 2019 and electing our churchwardens and Deanery Synod representatives. In addition there will be a brief reflection on our current situation and an opportunity to ask questions.

For both meetings the Zoom link is the same as the Sunday live services, meeting id 585531880, password 1090 and those without the internet can phone in as for Sunday services.

ANNUAL REPORT

The annual report has been sent out by post to all those not on the internet. For those with internet access the annual report, together with the agendas for the annual meetings and minutes from last year will be available on our website at www.stpeterwoking.org/annualmeetings. Please download them before the meetings. A few printed copies will be available at St Peter's on Sunday.

(You can also click on "Read More" under the "Welcome" on the home page; "Annual Church Meetings" is then the item at the top of the list.)

* PHONE IN FOR ONLINE SERVICES *

From now on if you call in to listen to our online services via Zoom you will need to enter a password which will be 1090 and will be in the instructions later in N&N.

Sunday 18 October
Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

St Peter's 10.000pm Holy Communion (CW)
followed by Annual Church Meeting

HYMNS

O praise ye the Lord
I heard the voice of Jesus say (video)
Be thou my vision

EPISTLE 2 Timothy 4: 6-18

GOSPEL John 14: 1-6

SERMON **Run the straight race**

10.00am Online Morning Worship

Join from 9.45am to listen to music played by Matthew
and St Peter's bells calling us to worship.

HYMNS

O praise ye the Lord
I am going to jump up and down
I heard the voice of Jesus say
Be thou my vision

FIRST READING John 14: 1-6

SECOND READING 2 Timothy 4: 6-18

SERMON **Run the straight race**

*** PCC HIGHLIGHTS ***

The PCC met this week and here are some highlights of the meeting:

- After some requests and following consultation the evening service at St Peter's will start at 5.00pm, instead of 6.30pm, during winter months from 8 November.
- We are excited to announce that Rachel Johnson is going through the process of discernment to be an Ordained Local Minister, continuing to be based in the parish. If she is recommended to be ordained by the Church of England then she will start her two year training in September 2021. The PCC agreed to fund her training and to support her in this new stage of ministry within the parish.
- We agreed to support St Michael's Church, Sheerwater as a Mission Partner in 2021, to the tune of £1000 per annum. St Michael's is a small, but growing Anglican church that is seeking funding and practical support to continue its much needed mission to the Sheerwater estate, following the end of a Church of England grant.

*** COVID-19 RULE OF SIX ***

This is the new 'Rule of Six', which we thought would be helpful for everyone to know,

In England, the limit of up to six people from multiple households meeting up applies both indoors and outdoors, and to all ages.

When seeing friends and family you do not live with you should:

1. meet in groups of six or less
2. follow social distancing rules
3. limit how many different people you see socially over a short period of time
4. meet people outdoors where practical; meeting people outdoors is safer than meeting people indoors because fresh air provides better ventilation.

As well as the above, venues following COVID-19 secure guidelines will be able to continue to host more people in total – such as religious services in places of worship – but no one should mix in a group of greater than six. For more specific information please see www.gov.uk/coronavirus.

*** SOCIAL MEDIA ***

In a time when it is much more difficult for us to meet together in person, social media is a wonderful tool to keep us connected. We will be sharing updates on things we are doing, how we can help you, useful resources, and ways to connect with each other. Please do come and find us on:

Facebook: facebook.com/stmarkswestfield, facebook.com/stpetersoldwoking, facebook.com/allsoulssuttongreen, and on Instagram: @stpeterwoking

*** PASTORAL SUPPORT ***

Everyone who attends our services has been assigned a Link Person who will keep in touch with you by phone or email. If you have not heard from your Link Person or would like any form of pastoral support please contact our Pastoral Assistant Brenda Cox on 07921 160684 or brendaatno7@gmail.com.

VICAR'S VIEW

Our mood so often reflects the seasons. We are well into autumn and the wonderful light, warmth and sunshine of the spring, summer and early autumn we have had in 2020 is turning to greater darkness, coolness and dampness. Together with the increased concern of the effects of a second wave of COVID-19 on our health, the economy and our lifestyles it is natural to feel down, anxious and irritable.

However you are feeling bring it all honestly to God in prayer, rest in Him and allow Him to carry your burdens. And let's be kind and forgiving to each other, living out Paul's instructions in Ephesians 4:32 "Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you." Together, as God's people, living His way, we can get through this winter and look forward to the hope of spring. .

Jonathan

DAILY MORNING PRAYER

We meet every morning via Zoom for half an hour, pray, study the Bible and encourage one another. If you haven't already and wish to join, please do get in touch with me and I will take you through the very simple steps of how to join. In the meantime, find below, next week's Bible readings.

If you have a prayer request, a testimony, an encouragement, be it yours or someone else's, that you would like us bring up at morning prayer, please do let me know by email, text or call on the details below. I look forward to hearing from you.

Please note that from this coming week, morning prayer in St. Peter's will now be held on Thursday mornings instead of Monday mornings.

Next Week's Bible Readings

Mon	Psalm 99	Philippians 1: 1-11
Tue	Psalm 101	Philippians 1: 12-30
Wed	Psalm 112	Philippians 2: 1-13
Thu	Psalm 115	Philippians 2: 14-30
Fri	Psalm 139	Philippians 3: 1 - 4: 1

Morning Prayer on Wednesday and Thursday each week will be held in St Mark's and St Peter's Churches respectively at the usual time of 9.00am. These will be live streamed as well for those who would wish to join in via the Zoom app. If you wish to join us in church, please do carry along your own Bible (on your gadget or a physical Bible). And if you would wish to join in via Zoom, please email me on curate@stpeterwoking.org for details. Rev Sam, Curate

*** CHURCH OPENING FOR PRIVATE PRAYER ***

St Peter's and All Souls' churches are now open for private prayer. Please make use of our churches if you would like to and have no Covid-19 symptoms and abide by the rules for everyone's protection.

St Peter's is open: Mon to Fri 9.00am-12.30pm
Sunday 9.00am-6.00pm

All Souls' is open Sunday 9.00am-6.00pm

*** PARISH CALENDAR FOR 2021 ***

The pictures for next year's calendar will be "available" to view as part of the online service and shown on screen at the next St Peter's and St Mark's services, a few printed copies will be available for All Souls'.

Whether you're looking for Christmas presents or a well-deserved treat for yourself, please do consider putting one (or more) of these on your 'to buy' list. Orders should be placed through the Parish Office (details on the back of Notes & News) and the deadline to order is Sunday 1 November. The calendar will cost £10 with the profits this time going towards our Mission Partners. Details of how to pay will be confirmed next week.

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

the family and friends of Tricia Wright, aged 73, of Sutton Green, whose funeral will be held at Guildford Crematorium on Monday 19 October.

the family and friends of John Taylor, Allen Taylor's father, whose funeral takes place in Maidstone on Thursday 22 October.

the family and friends of Kenneth Purser, aged 95, of Priory Close and also for Eileen and Peter Bliss, John Hunter, Catherine McCormack (Doreen McKinnon's daughter), Olive Park and Joy Storkey.

*** ALL SOULS' DAY MEMORIAL SERVICE - Sunday 1 November ***

Our annual service, at St Peter's, to remember those we have loved who have died and light a candle in their memory will still take place this year (assuming government regulations don't change). As well as remembering our loved ones we will also especially be remembering all who have died from COVID-19.

However, because of the limit on numbers due to social distancing we will be holding two short services, one at 4.00pm and one at 5.30pm. In order to manage numbers you will need to book in to one of the services. (The 4.00pm service is full and there are only a few spaces left at the 5.30pm service.)

This can be done by contacting Helen in the parish office on 01483 755852 or emailing admin@stpeterwoking.org, saying how many people are coming and the names of any people you wish to be remembered. Alternatively you can book online at www.stpeterwoking.org/MemorialService.

If you are unable to attend the service, but would like a loved one to be remembered by name please let Helen know as there will be no book of names in the church in advance of the services.

*** REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY 8 NOVEMBER ***

We will be holding services at All Souls' at 10.15am and St Mark's at 10.50am on Remembrance Sunday. In addition there will be a short service around the War Memorial at St Peter's at 10.50am with wreath laying.

*** BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP ***

We are proposing to start this group up again on Tuesday 20 October at 3.15pm, in the Church Centre. There will have to be changes due to Covid 19 restrictions. Masks will need to be worn and social distancing kept. There will not be any refreshments served.

If you are interested in coming along please contact either Brenda Cox on 07921 160684 or Pauline Wilde on 07763 386042

*** LIGHT BEACON ALTERNATIVE - Saturday 31 October ***

Due to current restrictions we are unable to have a light beacon on Hallowe'en this year. However, in conjunction with New Life Church we are planning to deliver goody bags containing sweets, glow sticks, and Christian booklets to families in the area known to our churches as well as having some left available for people we meet as we walk. We plan to be out between about 5.00pm and 6.30-7pm. We will also be using it as a time to pray for the area and individuals.

If you would like to be part of this exciting outreach or have any questions please let Jonathan know.

Next Sunday 25 October
Twentieth Sunday after Trinity

All Souls' – 9.30am	Holy Communion (CW)
St Mark's – 11.00am	Holy Communion (CW)
St Peter's – 10.00am	"Energise" Service for Families
St Peter's – 6.30pm	Evening Prayer (BCP)
10.00am –	Online Morning Worship

*** ACCESSING OUR ONLINE SERVICES ***

- via www.stpeterwoking.org/sundaylive which provides a link to YouTube and other information about the service
- subscribe to the Parish of St Peter Woking *YouTube* channel (click the Subscribe button below the video) to get direct access from *YouTube* without needing to go via the website
- listen via telephone for those without internet access. Just before the service call 0330 0885830, enter the meeting id as 585531880 when prompted then press #, then when asked for a participant id press # again and then when asked for the password enter 1090 followed by #. You will then be able to listen to the service. It is a local call cost which is free for most people.

For those watching live via *YouTube* use the chat facility to talk to one another before, during and after the service. If you can't watch it live, it will be available online afterwards, but not by phone.

If you would like to meet face to face and chat after the online service, join us on Zoom with your coffee or tea. Use the Sunday Live meeting id of 585 531 880. You will now need to enter a password which will be 1090

If you receive N&N by email you can download the service sheet from www.stpeterwoking.org/sundaylive or email the office for a copy.

If you have any problem or need technical help, please contact Sam on 07923 331108.

*** "ENERGISE" A NEW SERVICE FOR FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN ***
Sunday 25 October @ 10.00am at St Peter's

Our new monthly service especially for families with children takes place next week, following a great start in September. It is short, relaxed and interactive with plenty of space for younger children to move around.

Next week we will be looking at doing all things in Christ who strengthens us and will have a feats of strength competition. Families can bring their shoeboxes to this service if unable to come the following week to our shoebox service."



*** INSPIRATION (SINGING GROUP) ***

I am hoping to start *Inspiration* again on Friday evening 30 October at 8.00pm in St Peter's Church.

We are a very small group and are always looking for more voices, so if you enjoy singing why not give it a try (you do not need to be able to read music) Looking forward to hearing from you. Brenda Cox 07921160684.

*** JOIN US FOR A PRAYER WALK ***

We will be walking around Sheerwater praying and offering prayers. Please join us or let us know via email if you would like someone to pray for you or with you.

WHEN? Thurs 22 October, Thurs 12 November, Sat 21 November, Thursday 10 December

TIME? 10.00am – 12noon

WHERE? Starting and finishing at St Michael's Church, Dartmouth Avenue, Woking GU21 5PJ

The prayer walk will be outdoors and we will, of course, be exercising suitable COVID-19 precautions.

Please contact: office@stmichaelssheerwater.org.uk to find out more or for prayer requests



*** OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD - SHOEBOX SUNDAY – 1 NOVEMBER 2020 ***

In spite of Covid-19 we are again participating this year and our boxes need to be ready by Sunday 1 November.



Details of what can (and cannot) be included in the boxes are given in the leaflets that are now available in the churches, together with flat-pack shoeboxes. Each shoebox needs to be accompanied by a donation of £5 to cover distribution costs etc.

If you are unable to fill a shoebox perhaps you could consider making a financial contribution towards this or the cost of the flat-pack boxes.

Filling your shoebox

Select a quality toy such as a doll, toy truck, deflated football and pump or a cuddly toy. Then pack the box full with other fun toys, hygiene items and school supplies. All items should be new. **New for this year!** Hand-made or knitted stuffed toys can be included, providing they are stuffed with commercial stuffing and not, for example, old stockings or beans.

Full details are also available on the OCC website - <https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/> where you can also find details of how to pack a box online, choosing the gifts that you would like to be included and a video that shows how excited the children are when they receive a box. Each online shoebox costs £20, which includes the £5 for shipping and distribution costs.

Boxes can be brought to St Peter's, to the Shoebox Service or, if you are attending one of the All Souls' Day Memorial Services later in the day, you could leave it in the church then. They can also be brought to the "Energise" service next Sunday if you won't be in church on Sunday 1 November.

If you have any questions or need a box or further information, please give me a ring or drop me an email. Sue Harvey 714632, svharvey@btinternet.com