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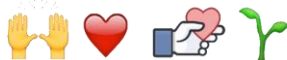


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Notes & News



Sunday 25 October 2020 Twentieth Sunday after Trinity

**Remember that the clocks go back by one hour
this Sunday morning.**

* "ENERGISE" A NEW SERVICE FOR FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN *

Today @ 10.00am at St Peter's

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

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.

* 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 6.30-7.00pm. We will also be using it as a time to pray for the area and individuals and will go out in groups of two or three.

Please join in with this exciting outreach and let Jonathan know by the end of Tuesday 27 October if you would like to play a part.

* FOREST CHURCH – Sunday 1 November in St Peter's Churchyard *

Many people say they feel closer to God when they're outside and Forest Church is a chance for us to encounter God through nature. Next week we're going to be thinking about seasons in nature and seasons in life.

We are hoping the weather will be kinder to us this month so that we can spend all our time outside but if we're hit by another downpour we'll spend some time indoors too. Please dress appropriately as we'll be outside for at least some of the time whatever the weather! Suitable for all ages so why not come along?

Sunday 25 October
Twentieth Sunday after Trinity

All Souls' 9.30am Holy Communion (CW)

HYMNS

Christ is made the sure foundation
All I once held dear
Broken for me

EPISTLE Romans 15:23 – 16:27

GOSPEL Mark 12: 28-31

SERMON Paul's Values

St Peter's 10.00am "Energise" Service for families

St Mark's 11.00am Holy Communion (CW)

HYMNS

Christ is made the sure foundation
All I once held dear
Broken for me

EPISTLE Romans 15:23 – 16:27

GOSPEL Mark 12: 28-31

SERMON Paul's Values

St Peter's 6.30pm Evening Prayer (BCP)

HYMNS

How sweet the name of Jesus sounds
We have a gospel to proclaim

PSALM 119: 89-104

CANTICLE Nunc Dimittis

FIRST READING Mark 12: 28-31

SECOND READING Romans 15:23 – 16:27

SERMON Paul's Values

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

Christ is made the sure foundation
All the room was hushed and still
All I once held dear
Thy hand O God has guided

READINGS Mark 12:28-31, Romans 16: 1-27

SERMON Paul's Values

*** 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.
Christ is made the sure foundation

***ST PETER'S CHURCH AND CHURCHYARD CLEAR-UP ***

Saturday 7 November 9.00am-12noon

We would love to have help tidying up the churchyard ready for Remembrance Sunday and Christmas services. We will also be giving the church a good clean including getting rid of high up cobwebs. If you are able to help with either of these please come along for all or part of the morning with any tools you have.

***CORONAVIRUS SUPPORT FUND ***

Thanks to the generous donations of many we have a good fund built up and are looking to make gifts to people affected by the virus in any way. If you know of someone appropriate, even if it is yourself, please let Jonathan or one of the wardens know.

***PARISH PRAYER MEETING – Wednesday 25 November at 7.45pm ***

Please save the date for our next Parish Prayer Meeting, which will be via Zoom. More details to follow.

SAM'S SCENE – JUST DO IT!

With Abigail our last born starting school last month, finally all our three kids are now of school going age, which is pretty exciting. This is something Lyz and I have been looking forward to for quite some time now. For it meant among other things, going out for a coffee during the day childfree, taking walks and exercising together, visiting friends and parishioners for social and pastoral visits. We were looking forward to this season.

But, because of Covid -19 and the many restrictions, although we have managed to do some of these things, we have not exactly got the joy we anticipated from them. This has in turn made me reflect a lot on the many things we put on the 'shelf' waiting for what we think is the right time, instead of doing right now. Things like, making that call, that visit, giving that encouragement and affirmation, that prayer you want to say, that money you want to give, shopping for the food bank (just remembered I need to do this as I write).... among other things.

I have thoroughly been encouraged in this area by the Apostle Paul in these last few months from our sermon series. He was doer, not even prison could stop him from preaching, teaching, and writing letters of guidance and encouragement to churches he had helped plant. Nike has a slogan that says 'Just do it'. Although worldly, I think as Christians we could do with adopting this slogan to further God's kingdom.

Sam

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 127	1 Timothy 1: 1-17
Tue	Psalm 135	1 Timothy 1:18 – 2:15
Wed	Psalm 119: 1-16	Luke 6: 12-16 (<i>Simon and Judas, Apostles</i>)
Thu	Psalm 146	1 Timothy 4
Fri	Psalm 142	1 Timothy 5: 1-16

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.

<u>St Peter's is open:</u>	<u>Mon to Fri</u>	9.00am-12.30pm
	<u>Sunday</u>	9.00am-6.00pm
<u>All Souls' is open</u>	<u>Sunday</u>	9.00am-6.00pm

*** PARISH CALENDAR FOR 2021 ***

The pictures for next year's calendar can be seen in last week's online service and will be shown on screen at the next St Mark's and St Peter's services and a few printed copies will be available for All Souls' this weekend. 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 place your order is Sunday 1 November. The calendar will cost £10 with the profits going this time towards our Mission Partners. Details of how to pay are still to be finalised but we will hopefully have an online option as well as via cheque.

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

the family and friends of Kenneth Purser, aged 95, of Priory Close
the family and friends of Barbara Young, of Westfield Road
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 take place next Sunday. As well as remembering our loved ones we will also especially be remembering all who have died from COVID-19.

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, but both are almost full and may be completely so by the time you read this. **If you want to attend please contact Helen in the parish office by Tuesday 27 October 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.

*** LET THERE BE LIGHT! ***



As winter approaches and the evenings are getting darker earlier, the clocks are going back, adding another hour to 2020, a lot of people will be getting depressed or anxious. Link this with Covid-19, there seems to be little to look forward to.

The people walking in the darkness have seen a great light, on those living in the land of deep darkness, a light has dawned.

Isaiah 9:2

Many churches around the world are asking everyone, where possible, to show a light in the window during the darkness, from 1 November until the 31 March 2021.

The type of light is entirely up to you, a simple lantern to full blown Christmas lights, this is to show those who are struggling with life, that there is hope.

When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life." John 8:12

So if you can show a light in support, please do!

Next Sunday 1 November
Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity

St Peter's – 10.00am	Morning Worship (CW) SHOEBOX SUNDAY
St Peter's Churchyard	10.00am “Forest Church”
St Peter's – 4.00pm	All Souls' Day Service (1)
5.30pm	All Souls' Day Service (2)
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.

*** 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.

*** 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 next 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 this Sunday if you won't be in church next 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

*** REDEEMING OUR COMMUNITIES – WOKING PHONE FRIENDS ***



Most churches provide amazing support to their members and adherents. Yet many people lie outside of these networks. With their usual sources of social interaction closed down, they live a solitary, lonely life. And with Covid spreading again, we can't begin to imagine how hopeless they must feel. We can all too easily forget that for practical purposes lockdown never ended.

The ROC Woking Social Isolation and Loneliness Action Group (SILAG) has launched its first initiative – Phone Friends We are looking for volunteers who can spare a bit of time to simply phone someone up and chat. ROC Woking knows that WBC still have hundreds of isolated people who would appreciate such a call. We will provide you with a bit of training then link you up. If you think this is something you could do, then please contact us – a bit of your spare time could literally make someone's day.

Find us on Facebook (search for Woking Phone Friends). You can sign up at <https://forms.gle/gBV267kZwUsXkQw17> Phone messages can be left on 01483 608966 or we can be emailed at phonefriends@rocwoking.org.uk

Please feel free to forward these details to any friends or groups whom you think might be interested.