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# Notes & News

## Sunday 23 May 2021

### PENTECOST

#### \* COME HOLY SPIRIT \*

Today is Pentecost, the day we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit and the birth of the Church. Traditionally in the parish we encourage everyone to wear **RED** on this day so whether coming to church or worshipping online please wear something red.



This Pentecost it feels a little like we are in the phase of rebirth for our churches as we gradually come out of lockdown, with more people returning to services in church buildings and other activities slowly starting to resume. We would love to encourage everyone to come back to services in church over the next few weeks, though we recognise there are different factors for everyone meaning that they may choose not to. We hope that singing indoors and the removal of the need to wear face masks will come next month but we wait for government guidance on that.

We also realise that some people are not able to come back to church without getting a lift. Lifts are now allowed so please see the separate notice on lifts later in N&N.

We hope that many of you can come along to our Parish United outdoor service at St Mark's next week when we can sing - and please see the separate notice about that.

But above all, we pray for more of the Holy Spirit, in our own lives and in the life of our parish. Come Holy Spirit!

Jonathan Thomas

**Sunday 23 May**  
**PENTECOST**

**All Souls' 9.30am Holy Communion (CW)**

HYMNS 559 Praise him, praise him  
64 Break thou the bread of life  
449 Love divine, all loves excelling

For the EPISTLE Acts 2: 1-21

GOSPEL John 15:26 – 16:15

SERMON **The Underdog**

**St Peter's 10.00am Energise Service for Families**

**St Mark's 11.00am – Holy Communion (CW)**

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**St Peter's .6.30pm – Evening Prayer (BCP)**

HYMNS 51 Be thou my vision  
496 O for a thousand tongues to sing

PSALM 145 said from the Book of Common Prayer

CANTICLE Cantate Domino

FIRST READING John 15:26 – 16:15

SECOND READING Acts 2: 1-21

SERMON **The Underdog**

**10.00am Online Morning Worship, on YouTube**

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

*There will be a Zoom chat after the service*

HYMNS

O thou who camest from above

Spirit of the living God

Rest on Us

Days of Elijah

FIRST READING John 15:26 – 16:15

SECOND READING Acts 2: 1-21

SERMON **The Underdog**

**\* PARISH SAFEGUARDING OFFICER \***

With Tracey Pusey, our current Parish Safeguarding Officer, leaving the parish soon we are looking for someone to take on this important role which is not too time-consuming. We have asked a few people who for various reasons are unable to take on the role, but if you feel you may be able to please prayerfully consider it.

Have a look at the role description at [www.stpeterwoking.org/annualmeetings](http://www.stpeterwoking.org/annualmeetings) and then talk to Jonathan or Tracey (contact details on the back page) to find out more. We would also consider someone not on the electoral roll, but with connections to the parish so if you know of anyone appropriate please let Jonathan know.

**\* RACHEL'S RAMBLINGS \***

*As the dust settles on the local elections many people around the country, perhaps including us in Woking, will find themselves with new leaders. I wonder what our councillors, new and old, think leadership is? All too often leadership is associated with power, authority and status. All too often those are used to benefit the powerful at the expense of the powerless. But Jesus, possessing all the power, authority and status of God himself, showed a different kind of leadership. He came 'not to be served but to serve' even to the point of dying for us. He used his power to bring freedom to people held captive by illness, prejudice and poverty, empowering them to grow and flourish. So as we hope and expect our new leaders to serve us, we can be sure that Jesus continues to serve us today. Jesus, the servant leader, is good news for all who choose to follow him.*

Jesus called them together and said, "You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be your slave—just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."  
Matthew 20:25-28

Rachel

**\* ACCESSING OUR ONLINE SERVICES \***

**The Sunday morning YouTube Services at 10.00am \***

There are three ways to access these:

- ◆ **via [www.stpeterwoking.org/sundaylive](http://www.stpeterwoking.org/sundaylive)** which provides a link to **YouTube**, a service sheet 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 585 531 880 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.

If you would like to meet face to face and **chat** after the YouTube service, join us on Zoom with your coffee or tea. Use the Sunday Live meeting id of 585 531 880 and password of 1090 or click this link

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/585531880?pwd=eEt5aDFiVjhqa2EzNXhtckQzRjRQT09>

**The Evening Prayer (BCP) Services (twice monthly) via YouTube at 6.30pm.**

These services when they take place in church are livestreamed via YouTube.

There are two ways to access these:

- ◆ **via [www.stpeterwoking.org/sundaylive](http://www.stpeterwoking.org/sundaylive)** which provides a link to **YouTube**, a BCP service sheet and information on hymns and readings
- ◆ **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. Please note: There is no phone in facility for these evening services.

**\* CHURCHES OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER \***

St Peter's and All Souls' churches are still 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

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

Araminta Neilan, who is being baptised at St Peter's next Sunday 30 May.

the friends and family of Victor Rooks, aged 90, of Maple Grove and

the friends and family of John Hunter, a longstanding member of All Souls' Church. John's funeral will be a small family gathering next week at Woking Crematorium but there will be a Thanksgiving Service at All Souls' on Thursday 16 September at 2.00pm for all who knew him.

and also for Mary Angus, Eileen and Peter Bliss, Patrick Chapman, Brenda Collard, Gloria Johnson (Eliot Johnson's mother), Lynda Kirk, Barbara Lloyd, Trevor Lloyd (Barbara's son), Catherine McCormack, Denise Randall, Jacquie Still and Joy Storkey.

**\* NEXT SUNDAY 30 MAY – REVISED \***

Our service next week is a Parish United All-age outdoor service at St Mark's at 11.00am, followed by a picnic. We will be commissioning our PCC and DCCs and saying farewell to the Pusey family as Dean begins his curacy in Aldershot. It will be a joyful service and we will be able to sing, though will need to wear facemasks unless exempt.

The long range forecast is looking dry and settled, but if the forecast nearer the time is for rain we will let you know contingency plans in next week's N&N and on the website. For those who would like to stay on and enjoy fellowship please bring a picnic.

**\* LIFTS TO CHURCH – NEW \***

We would love to encourage everyone to return to services in church over the next few weeks, but recognise that for some people they require lifts. Lifts are now allowed under government guidelines so we would like to get a system in place for enabling everyone to come to church who wants to.

If you would like a lift or are able to offer a lift could you please contact the parish office on 01483 755852, [admin@stpeterwoking.org](mailto:admin@stpeterwoking.org) stating when you are likely to start receiving or offering and how frequently you would like a lift or can offer a lift. We will then do some matching to make arrangements and may use *Help at Hand* who offer lifts as well. Please don't feel you are putting anyone out, as a church family we are here to support each other.



This week we will be celebrating Pentecost with the help of the Cheeky Pandas, who some of you will have become familiar with during *Thy Kingdom Come*.

Everyone, but especially families, is very welcome to come along to celebrate the birthday of the church and find out about God's amazing gift to us all. There will be cake!!!



**Sunday 30 May**

**TRINITY SUNDAY**

**11.00am** St Mark's Parish United Service (outside)  
**10.00am** Online Morning Worship (YouTube)

**\* MORNING PRAYER BIBLE READINGS – UPDATED \***

We meet on **Monday to Friday this week**, 9.00am to 9.30am via Zoom as below.

**Next Week's Bible Readings**

Mon 24	Psalm 129	Romans 1: 1-17
Tue 31	Psalm 133	Romans 1: 18-22
Wed 1	Psalm 119: 153-176	Romans 2: 1-16
Thu 2	Psalm 146	Romans 2: 17-29
Fri 3	Psalm 144	Romans 3: 1-20

*On Thursdays Morning Prayer will now take place in St Peter's as well as on Zoom for those who would like to join in person.*

If you wish to join in via Zoom, please email me on [curate@stpeterwoking.org](mailto:curate@stpeterwoking.org) for details. Rev Sam – Curate

**\* QUIET DAYS \***

The Revd. Haydon Wilcox is running quiet days and evenings at St. Columba's Retreat House, Maybury Hill, Woking.

These events will support people as they return into the world from lockdown and will offer the opportunity to share, reflect, to be spiritually fed and gain encouragement.

All Covid protocols will be practised to ensure a safe environment and are restricted to 16 people.

Remaining places: Day events (10.00am) 12 July; evening events (7.00pm) 16 June and 28 September. Many events are now full and additional dates will be offered.

To receive details and make a booking please contact St. Columba's House on 01483 766498 or email: [admin@stcolumbashouse.org.uk](mailto:admin@stcolumbashouse.org.uk)

**\* ORIGIN BOOKSHOP – SPECIAL OFFER – NEW \***

The Origin Bookshop at Christ Church, Woking is offering NCV hardback Youth Bibles on offer at £10 (was £16.99) in store until end of May.

**\* SOUTH WOKING FOODBANK \***

For some years we have collaborated with The New Life Church to provide parcels of food and household items to those in need in South Woking. We have received the following message from the NLC:

Can you help with any of the following?

**Tins** Baked beans, soup, pasta, tomatoes, tuna, vegetables, fruit, custard, rice pudding, meat (including corned beef, ham, curry, Spam, hot dogs, pies etc.

**Cupboard items** Fruit juice, squash, cereals, pasta, rice, pasta sauce, instant noodles, biscuits, sweets, coffee, tea, sugar, jam, marmalade, honey, long-life milk, cooking oil.

**Toiletries** shower gel, shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, female hygiene products, soap.

**Cleaning** washing up liquid, all-purpose cleaner, bleach, cleaning cloths, laundry detergent, kitchen rolls, toilet rolls.

**Please put your donated items in the container within the Sainsbury's Local shop at Kingfield or in the container in St Peter's porch when the church is open. The New Life Church, of course, would also welcome any cash donations.**  
**Thank you**