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**Notes
& News**

Sunday 26 February 2023

First Sunday in Lent

*** CMS MISSION SUNDAY – NEXT SUNDAY 5 MARCH – NEW ***

Next Sunday is an opportunity to hear more about the ministry of our CMS Mission Partner Malcolm Pritchard who is based in Uganda, to pray for him and to give towards his ministry. We aim to give £1000 per year to support his work so there will be opportunities to give at the services in church and online. More details next week.



***REVISION OF THE CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL – NEW ***

We are entering another period of revision of the Church Electoral Roll, which needs to be revised before the Annual meetings.

If you are resident in the parish or have attended public worship regularly at one of our churches in the past six months and you are baptised and aged 16 or over, you can now be added to the Electoral Roll. Fill in an application form, available in each church, sign it and return it to me or one of the churchwardens.

You can then attend the Annual Parochial Church Meeting where the elections take place for the churchwardens and church council representatives. If you are already on the Electoral Roll, please let me know if any of your details have changed since last year.

The closing date is 9 April 2023. – Brigitte Morton, Electoral Roll Officer, 70 Elmbridge Lane, Woking, email: brigitte.morton@sky.com

Sunday 26 February 2023

First Sunday in Lent

All Souls'	9.30am	MORNING WORSHIP (CW)
<u>HYMNS</u>	160	Forty days and forty nights
	590	Seek ye first
	200	Great is thy faithfulness
	143	Fight the good fight
<u>PSALM 32</u>		said from the church Bible (p560)
<u>FIRST READING</u>		Matthew 4: 1-11 (p967)
<u>SECOND READING</u>		Romans 5: 12-19 (p1132)
<u>SERMON</u>		Jesus' faithfulness – and ours?
St Peter's	10.00am	ENERGISE Service for Families
<u>SONGS</u>		I'm gonna jump up and down
		Trust in the Lord
		This little light of mine
<u>READING</u>		Matthew 4: 1-11 (p967)
<u>TALK</u>		Don't drink from a watering can.
Church Centre	10.00am	ENERGISE Plus
<u>HYMNS</u>	160	Forty days and forty nights (vv1-4)
	249	How lovely on the mountains (v1, v4)
<u>FIRST READING</u>		Matthew 4: 1-11 (p967)
<u>SECOND READING</u>		Romans 5: 12-19 (p1132)
St Mark's	11.00am	MORNING WORSHIP (CW)
		<i>This service will be livestreamed</i>
<u>HYMNS</u>	160	Forty days and forty nights
	825	Faithful one so unchanging
	302	I want to walk with Jesus Christ
	200	Great is Thy faithfulness
<u>PSALM 32</u>		said from the church Bible (p560)
<u>FIRST READING</u>		Matthew 4: 1-11 (p967)
<u>SECOND READING</u>		Romans 5: 12-19 (p1132)
<u>SERMON</u>		Jesus' faithfulness – and ours?
St Peter's	5.00pm	HOLY COMMUNION (BCP)
<u>HYMNS</u>	160	Forty days and forty nights
	59	Blessed assurance
	975	Before the throne of God above
	201	Guide me O thou great Jehovah
<u>EPISTLE</u>		Romans 5: 12-19 (p1132)
<u>GOSPEL</u>		Matthew 4: 1-11 (p967)
<u>SERMON</u>		What's in your rucksack?

* REFRESHMENTS AT ST PETER'S TODAY – NEW *

There is no breakfast as such before Energise Plus this Sunday, but refreshments, including pastries, will be served before the service so please arrive early.

* ACCESSING OUR LIVESTREAMED SERVICES *

The Sunday morning services are livestreamed from St Peter's most weeks on YouTube at 10.00am except the 4th Sunday when they usually come from St Mark's at 11.00am via www.stpeterwoking.org/sundaylive which provides a link to YouTube, a service sheet and other information about the service.

* PEWS FOR SALE *

We still have some pews from the chancel area of St Peter's for sale. If you are interested please contact Martin Maguire or Jonathan by Sunday 5 March. There is no fixed cost we are looking for donations, which will go to the Chancel Open Space project.

* WARDEN'S WINDOW *

We are now in the season of Lent – 40 days from Ash Wednesday to Easter (not including Sundays). This is when we remember Jesus in the wilderness fasting for forty days; during this time he was tempted by the devil. One of the temptations was to turn a stone into bread. Jesus replied 'Man shall not live on bread alone but on the word of God'. Luke 4 : 4

There are many ways in which we can keep Lent. In the past I have given up sugar in tea, chocolate or biscuits, but as I have to avoid them anyway, I think what can I give up? I could give up social media or a favourite TV programme. The alternative is rather than giving up something we can take on a challenge, for example a daily walk and getting sponsorship to raise money for charity, read a Gospel or another portion of scripture using the Dust and Glory book of reflections or other Bible reading notes as aids.

However you decide to keep Lent this year I trust that you will be blessed.

Pauline

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

the family and friends of Olive Briggs, aged 99, of Heathside Care Home and the family and friends of Clive Kiberd, of Rydens Way.

Mary Angus, Eileen & Peter Bliss, Jan Kinnell, Lynda Kirk, Barbara Lloyd, Trevor Lloyd, Carol & Brian Whitehorn, Mary & Geoff Williams and Christian Wolters.

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

Monday 27 February	Dust & Glory	Jonah 3: 3-4: 5
Tuesday 28 February	Dust & Glory	Mark 14: 66-72
Wednesday 1 March	Dust & Glory	Genesis 12: 1-4
Thursday 2 March	Dust & Glory	Psalms 56: 1-4
Friday 3 March	Dust & Glory	Mark 10: 35-45

All days are on Zoom except Thursdays when we usually meet in St Peter's Church .

To join Morning Prayer on Zoom enter Meeting ID: 498 905 544 Passcode: 668876

WHAT'S ON

St Peter's is open Monday-Friday 9.00am -12.30pm, Saturday and Sunday 10.00am-6.00pm All Souls' is open on Sundays from 9.00am-6.00pm.

Sunday 26 February	Street Angels' Service	4.00pm	St Paul's Church
Tuesday 28 February	Tots	10.00am	St Mark's
Tuesday 28 February	Refresh Café	3.15pm	St Mark's
Tuesday 28 February	St Mark's DCC	7.45pm	St Mark's
Wednesday 1 March	Bereavement Group	3.00pm	Lower Vestry
Friday 3 March	Connections Café	2.30pm	Church Centre
Sunday 5 March	Youth Group	6.00pm	St Mark's

The Youth Group (School years 7-13), meets twice a month, 6.00-7.30pm at St Mark's, for food, fun and discipleship.

Contact Sarah Thomas via vicar@stpeterwoking.org or Jenny Jones on jennydickin98@gmail.com for more information.

*** CONNECTIONS CAFÉ – NEW ***

Connections Cafe meets this Friday 3 March in the Church Centre from 2.30pm-5.00pm. All welcome, please invite your friends.

A space to chat and do various activities whilst having a cup of tea or coffee. Sandwiches and cake will be served from 4.00pm.

This month our main activity is a quiz. Please contact Brenda Cox on 07921 160684 if you require a lift.

Sunday 5 March 2023

Lent 2

MISSION SUNDAY

All Souls'	9.30am	Morning Worship (CW)
St Peter's	10.00am	Holy Communion (CW)
		<i>This service will be livestreamed</i>
St Mark's	11.00am	Morning Worship (CW)

*** SUNDAY 12 MARCH – SURREY HALF MARATHON – NEW ***

Due to road closures for the Surrey Half Marathon we will not be able to hold morning services on Sunday 12 March at All Souls' and St Mark's. Instead these will be our services for that day:

10.00am – Morning Worship at St Peter's.

4.00pm – Energise service at St Mark's.

This will be similar to our lively Energise service at St Peter's aimed especially at families, but open to everyone

6.00pm – Evening Prayer (BCP) at All Souls'.

This replaces Evening Prayer at St Peter's so there is a service at All Souls' that day and we hope both congregations will come along

Please note that the Old Woking Road is likely to still be closed (for works by Affinity Water) on 12 March so with the road closures for the Half Marathon on Kingfield Road and Westfield Road it may not be possible for some to come to St Peter's in the morning, so please try out one of the other services.



*** CORONATION GARDEN PARTY ***

We will be having a Coronation Garden Party on Bank Holiday **Monday 8 May 2.30pm -4.30pm at St Mark's**, for the whole community.

It will be very similar to the wonderful Jubilee Garden Party we held last year. Please make a note of the date for now. More details to follow nearer the time.

*** CONFIRMATION ***

We are participating in a Woking-wide Confirmation service on Sunday 14 May at 6.30pm at Christ Church. Confirmation is for anyone who has been baptised as a baby or young child and wishes to confirm their faith as a teenager or adult. The Bishop leads the service and confirms each candidate. It is a very special service.

If you are interested in being confirmed along with others from this parish and other churches in Woking then please speak to Jonathan by the end of February. Classes will then be arranged to prepare candidates for confirmation.

*** BBC AT GUILDFORD CATHEDRAL ***

The BBC is coming to the Cathedral on Tuesday 7 March and Wednesday 8 March for two special services.

On Tuesday, the BBC will be recording a service from the Cathedral at 5.30pm that will be broadcast on Mothering Sunday. The service will last an hour and people are welcome to come along to be part of the congregation. Please arrive at 5.00pm to be seated by 5.15pm.

On Wednesday, the BBC will broadcast Evensong live from the Cathedral on BBC Radio 3 at 4.00pm. The service will last an hour and all are welcome to come along to be part of the congregation. Please arrive at 3.30pm and be seated by 3.45pm.

*** VIDEO ON WOKING – NEW ***

Woking U3A Film Group have put together a video on Woking past and present, which includes some images of St Peter's and a short interview with Jonathan. It is an interesting project and can be seen at

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g8eLmJu1MKY>

*** WOKING STREET ANGELS – TODAY ***

Woking Street Angels would like to invite all church ministers and members of their congregations to its annual Commissioning Service. They are blessed to have great support from many Woking Churches, financially, with volunteers and with prayer and have now passed their tenth anniversary.

The Service will be held at **St. Paul's Church, Oriental Road, Woking on Sunday, 26 February 2023, commencing at 4.00 pm**. It should last less than an hour and will be followed by a social time with tea and cakes.

We would be delighted if you could please support this by coming along. There will be a chance to find out more about our current work, meet some of the operational Angels and trustees, hopefully also Emma, our new Woking Street Angels Coordinator and other guests.

Inquiries: contact wokingstreetangels@gmail.com



*** WORLD DAY OF PRAYER SERVICE – Friday 3 March at 10.00am ***

The annual World Day of Prayer service has this year been prepared by the women of Taiwan, on the subject of 'I have heard about your faith', and will be held at St Andrew's Church, Goldsworth Park.

This is always a lovely service, showing us something of the life and faith of our sisters and brothers in other parts of the world. It's very special to know that Christians right across the world are sharing in the same act of worship. Everyone is very welcome to come and there is plenty of parking. You can also follow the service on https://youtu.be/iG_P8aHGD9k. For more information get in touch with Rachel.

*** CHANCEL OPEN SPACE WORK – NEW ***

The contractors will start on this project on Monday 13 March, during which the chancel area of St Peter's will be screened off. We will still be holding services in church during the period of the work but will be unable to use the organ or grand piano so will be using the electric piano.

The church will not be open during the week whilst the works are happening. The contractors are aiming to finish the work by Maundy Thursday 6 April.

If you have made a pledge and are able to fulfil it before mid-April that would be helpful, but if not then any time this year is fine.

Please either put a cheque in the Chancel Open Space envelope or contact the Parish Office if you wish to pay by bank transfer.