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# Sunday 17 March 2024 Lent 5

#### \* PARISH PRAYER FOR PEACE -

TUESDAY 26 MARCH 7.30pm, in ST PETER'S CHANCEL- REVISED \* We hope many of you will come to pray for peace in our world, especially during Holy Week. There will be opportunities to pray silently, light candles and pray together for those who would like to. We will also be praying for our Mission Partners.

# \* MOSAIC CHAMBER CHOIR AT ST PETER'S CHURCH – SATURDAY 23 MARCH 7.30pm \*

Local choir *Mosaic* will be performing 'Music of Innocence – A meditation on holy mystics and innocents' at St Peter's Church. It will feature excerpts from *Jesus Christ Superstar*, Chilcott's *Jazz songs of Innocence*, Britten's *Hymn to Cecilia* and many more. Tickets are £15 from mosaicchamberchoir.org.uk or on the door.

# \* UKRAINE MISSION DONATIONS - NEW \*

Beth Lemprière and the rest of the Ukraine Mission Team will be coming to each church next Sunday 24 March to give an update on the activities of Ukraine mission. The team will be collecting first aid materials and money for transportation if you would like to donate to their work.

### \* THE MIKADO - ST PETER'S CHURCH SATURDAY 4 MAY 6.00pm \*

We are delighted to welcome back *Opera Anywhere*, featuring Matthew Rickard, to St Peter's to perform the Mikado.

Tickets are now available from <a href="www.stpeterwoking.org/mikado">www.stpeterwoking.org/mikado</a> and flyers are available to give to friends and neighbours. If you are able to help with serving refreshments or making cakes please let Jonathan know.

# Sunday 17 March 2024

Fifth Sunday in Lent

All Souls' 9.30am HOLY COMMUNION (CW)

HYMNS 486 Now thank we all our God

700 Thou who wast rich

975 Before the throne of God above

Be thou my vision

EPISTLE James 5: 1-11 (p1216) GOSPEL Luke 18: 18-27 (p1052)

St Peter's 10.00am MORNING WORSHIP (CW) and Sunday School

This service will be livestreamed

HYMNS 16 All my hope on God is founded

1008 The Lord's my shepherd

746 What a friend we have in Jesus

59 Blessed assurance

<u>FIRST READING</u> Luke 18: 18-27 (p1052) <u>SECOND READING</u> James 5: 1-11 (p1216)

St Mark's 11.00am HOLY COMMUNION (CW)

<u>HYMNS</u> 518 O praise ye the Lord

170 Give thanks with a grateful heart 975 Before the throne of God above

51 Be thou my vision

<u>EPISTLE</u> James 5: 1-11 (p1216) <u>GOSPEL</u> Luke 18: 18-27 (p1052)

St Peter's 12.30pm BAPTISM of Sophie Flynn

<u>Please note:</u> There is no evening service at St Peter's this week

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

the family and friends of St Peter's member, Pam Eales, aged 94, of St Peter's Road.

and Mary Angus, Wendy Aplin, Eileen & Peter Bliss, Lynda Kirk, Eric Rice, Carol & Brian Whitehorn, and Mary & Geoff Williams.

#### \* CANDLES FOR UKRAINE APPEAL \*

We are appealing for candles to donate to Ukraine. Any sort of candle will do, new ones or even burned down stumps! Candle wax is required to recycle into portable cookers to help people survive and stay warm near the fighting areas where there is little or no infrastructure.

The wax will be melted down and combined with cardboard to make "Trench candles", which were invented in WWI to help people survive. Because God loves us all these 'candles' will be made available to both civilians and troops in response to humanitarian needs. We would be grateful for all types of candle wax that you might be able to spare and collection boxes will be available in our churches.

Thank you and God bless. M

Mark and the Ukraine Mission Team.

#### \* ACCESSING OUR LIVESTREAMED SERVICES \*

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

#### \* WARDEN'S WINDOW \*

Have you ever lost anything? A few weeks ago I couldn't find my house keys. I looked in all the usual places, on the dining table, turned out two handbags several times just to make sure I hadn't missed them and turned out my coat pockets. I even started looking in non-obvious places, but to no avail, I just couldn't find them anywhere. I was really puzzled where could they be? I eventually found that I had dropped them at a local garden centre – much to my relief.

This reminds me of the 'Lost Parables' that Jesus tells in Luke 15: 1–32. The lost sheep, the lost coin and the lost son. In each case the parable shows us how God is continually looking for those who are lost.

As the old hymn says:

"I was lost but Jesus found me, found the sheep that had gone astray"
Pauline

# \* EASTER SERVICES \*

Easter services will be as follows:

# Maundy Thursday 28 March

**7.30pm Holy Communion at St Peter's** with washing of feet and hour's vigil



# **Good Friday 29 March**

10.00am Walk of Witness, starting from St Peter's, reflecting on the way of the cross leading to St Mark's for:

11.00am All-age outdoor service at St Mark's

11.00am Churches Together in Woking Act of Witness in Woking Jubilee Square

2.00pm -3.00pm - An Hour at the Cross at All Souls' with guided reflection and hymns led by Samantha Fisk

#### EASTER SUNDAY 31 March



6.30am Sunrise Service, outdoors at St Mark's

Be up with the sun to celebrate Jesus' Resurrection around a fire, followed by a cooked breakfast!

9.30am All-Age Communion at All Souls'

10.00am All-Age Communion at St Peter'sfollowed by an Easter Egg hunt This service will be livestreamed

11.00am All-Age Communion at St Mark's

5.00pm Holy Communion (BCP) at St Peter's

# Sunday 24 March 2024 PALM SUNDAY

All Souls' 9.30am Morning Worship (CW)

St Peter's 10.00am All-Age Worship

This service will be livestreamed

St Mark's 11.00am Morning Worship (CW)

St Peter's 5.00pm Holy Communion (BCP)



#### \* REVISION OF THE CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL \*

We are entering another period of revision of the Church Electoral Roll, which needs to be revised before the Annual Meeting on 28 April. 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 our Electoral Roll, which is like a membership list. Please 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 7 April 2024. – Brigitte Morton, Electoral Roll Officer, 70 Elmbridge Lane, Woking, email: <a href="mailto:brigitte.morton@sky.com">brigitte.morton@sky.com</a>

#### \* FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT - THURSDAY 11 APRIL

4.30pm at ST MARK'S - NEW \*

Another one of our popular FREE movie nights with popcorn, nuggets & chips and drinks. Sign up at <a href="https://www.stpeterwoking.org/movienight">www.stpeterwoking.org/movienight</a> and invite friends. We'll announce the movie in due course.

## \* ST PETER'S PREMISES COMMITTEE -

## NEW MEMBER REQUIRED – NEW \*

Do you know of someone who knows a bit about buildings, DIY or gardening? St Peter's needs a new member of the premises committee who can advise on and maybe help with issues to do with the church buildings and churchyard. We meet three times a year. If you can help, or know someone who can, please contact Pauline or Jonathan.

#### \* CAN YOU HELP? \*

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who over the years have served as either welcomers or on the refreshment team at St Peter's on Sunday mornings.

However, we could do with having people who would be prepared to go on to a reserve list so as to fill in when the regular team members are unable to do a Sunday or to cover a fifth Sunday or extra services. We could also do with a regular person to help serve refreshments on a Second Sunday in the month. If you are able to help or for further information in any way please talk to Pauline Wilde on 722098.

# \* MORNING PRAYER BIBLE READINGS - UPDATED \*

Using Watch and Pray booklets

| Monday 18 March    | Psalms 122,123 | Watch and Pray | p70 |
|--------------------|----------------|----------------|-----|
| Tuesday 19 March   | Psalm 27       | Watch and Pray | p72 |
| Wednesday 20 March | Psalm 124,125  | Watch and Pray | p74 |
| Thursday 21 March  | Psalm 143      | Watch and Pray | p76 |
| Friday 22 March    | Psalm 144      | Watch and Pray | p78 |

**To join Morning Prayer on Zoom** 

enter Meeting ID: 498 905 544 Passcode: 668876

On Thursdays we usually meet in person at St Peter's

# \* ST PETER'S FLOWERS FOR EASTER - SATURDAY 30 MARCH \*

We will be decorating the church on Saturday morning 30 March from 9.30am.

Any help will be gratefully received, please just bring along your scissors or secateurs.

Any queries – please phone Lynne Moore 01932 351029. Thank you.

## \* BIG PARENTING QUESTIONS - TUESDAY 30 APRIL \*

A 'Care for the Family event to be held at the Welcome Church, 1-5 Church St West, Woking GU21 6DJ at 7.30pm, Entrance £6.00. Link to Woking booking and more details:

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/big-parenting-questions-woking-tickets-780136558447

#### 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. CONNECT (LENT) GROUPS MEET THIS WEEK

| Sunday 17 March  | Youth Group  | St Mark's  | 6.00pm  |
|------------------|--------------|------------|---------|
| Tuesday 19 March | Tots         | St Mark's  | 10.00am |
| Tuesday 19 March | Refresh Café | St Mark's  | 3.15pm  |
| Tuesday 19 March | PCC Meeting  | All Souls' | 7.45pm  |

The Youth Group (School years 7-13), meets twice a month, 6.00-7.30pm for food, fun and discipleship. Contact Lucy Bush at <a href="mailto:curate@stpeterwoking.org">curate@stpeterwoking.org</a>

#### \* BISHOP OF GUILDFORD'S LENT APPEAL \*

Each Lent the Bishop of Guildford launches an appeal for the Bishop of Guildford's Communities Fund (BGCF). It is there to help bridge the gap between the needs of the communities and the ability of churches to respond to them, providing grants to support parishes and other church-linked organisations to reach out into the most challenged parts of our communities with the love of Christ.

Parishes are encouraged to support this important local fund. If you would like to find out more and/or want to give to the fund go to <a href="https://www.cofeguildford.org.uk/mission/growing-community/bishop-of-guildfords-communities-fund#lent">https://www.cofeguildford.org.uk/mission/growing-community/bishop-of-guildfords-communities-fund#lent</a> or by bank transfer to BGCF, sort code 30-98-97, account number: 68771768 or by cheque to BGCF sent to Willow Grange, Woking Road, Guildford, Surrey GU4 7QS.

#### \* MOTHERING SUNDAY BULBS - NEW \*

I hope lots of you enjoyed receiving your Mothering Sunday bulbs, planted by my daughter and I into Jonathan's homemade compost, in pots decorated by Sunday school children! They are Sparaxis bulbs – keep them on a sunny windowsill, or plant them out into your garden anytime from now until May in a sunny position. Keep them watered, and they should flower year after year. Send me photos of their progress as they grow! Lucy (curate@stpeterwoking.org)

