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**Notes
& News**

Sunday 4 October 2026

Trinity 18

*** HARVEST AT ST PETER'S – NEXT SUNDAY 11 OCTOBER ***

Following our Harvest Service at St Peter's there will be a 'Bring & Share' lunch at 12pm in the Church Centre to which all are welcome. If you can, please bring along any item of food – a main dish, side dish or dessert – which we will enjoy together. After the service and refreshments and before the lunch there will be a quiz suitable for all ages.

CLARINET AND PIANO CONCERT – SUNDAY 18 OCTOBER 4.00pm

Neil Hickling on Clarinet, together with Matthew Rickard, our former organist on piano, will be performing a selection of pieces inspired by leading clarinettist Richard Mühlfeld. Entrance will be free, supported by the Brinda Jaykant Shah foundation with donations going to St Peter's church. Following the 1 hour concert there will be refreshments. Please invite friends and neighbours to this high quality concert. Flyers are available. If you can help with refreshments please contact Jonathan or the Parish Office.

*** REVIVE SERVICE – TODAY 6PM ST MARK'S ***

Enjoy relaxed, informal Holy Spirit focused worship at our quarterly Revive service led by the band. A time to be revived spiritually.

*** CHURCHES TOGETHER IN WOKING - NEW ***

This Wednesday 7th October at 7pm at Christ Church join with Christians from many churches in Woking to pray for our town and nation. Just turn up or let Jonathan know if you want a lift.

Sunday 4 October – Trinity 18

ALL SOULS' 9.30am MORNING WORSHIP (CW)
HYMNS 16, 7, 626, 442
PSALM Psalm 19 (p552)
FIRST READING Isaiah 5:1-7 (p689)
SECOND READING Matthew 21:33-end (p990)

ST PETER'S 9.30am HOLY COMMUNION (CW)
This service will be livestreamed
HYMNS 518, 463, 995, 449
EPISTLE Colossians 3:11-19 (p1184)
GOSPEL Luke 6:1-11 (p1033)

ST MARK'S 11.15am MORNING WORSHIP (CW)
HYMNS 16, 7, 990, 442
PSALM Psalm 19 (p552)
FIRST READING Isaiah 5:1-7 (p689)
SECOND READING Matthew 21:33-end (p990)

ST MARK'S 6pm 'REVIVE'

Please Note: There is no evening service at St Peter's this week

* THIS WEEK'S MORNING PRAYER – Daily at 9.00am *

Monday 5 October	Psalm 80	2 Kings 1
Tuesday 6 October	Psalm 85	2 Kings 2:1-22
Wednesday 7 October	Psalm 91	2 Kings 4:1-37
Thursday 8 October	Psalm 92	2 Kings 5
Friday 9 October	Psalm 95	2 Kings 6:1-23

On Thursdays we usually meet in person at St Peter's. To join Morning Prayer on Zoom enter Meeting ID: 498 905 544 Passcode: 668876

* THIS WEEK PLEASE PRAY FOR ...*

the family and friends of Christopher Last, 87, of Ripley.
 Wendy Aplin, David Atkinson, Peter Bliss, Alison & Ian Cole,
 Valerie Hendricks, Lynda Kirk, Patrick Philipps, Chris & Denise Randall
 and Brian Whitehorn.

Sunday 11 October Trinity 19

9.30am	All Souls'	Morning Worship (CW)
9.30am	St Peter's	All Age Harvest Festival <i>This service will be livestreamed</i>
11.15am	St Mark's	Holy Communion (CW)
6.30pm	St Peter's	Evening Prayer (BCP)

* JACQUIE'S JOTTINGS *

So, are you a faithful or are you a traitor?

As the new celebrity series of "The Traitors" aired last week, I must confess I was looking forward to tuning in. I'd never watched it until the last celebrity series, and it was fascinating to see well known faces wandering around clueless, shouting down a well, trying to find a "big dog" and avoid being "murdered"! I suspect the public profiles of each of them meant this was a "gentler" version of the show than perhaps the normal one, which I haven't seen. However, it gave an interesting insight into how each might behave when the pressure was on as they tried to second guess each other and then fight for "survival" at the round table.

Robert Burns in his ode "To A Louse" includes the lines "O would some Power with vision teach us, to see ourselves as others see us!" Mm ... now there's a thought. Whilst we might not be followed round for extended periods of the day by a camera crew waiting to catch our every slip and trip, our daily walk in faith does not go unnoticed by our friends, family and neighbours, or indeed the person whose car parking space we've just nicked as it's been given to us as an "answer to prayer"!

Of course, the Lord isn't fooled by our own attempts at "being good" in public and the unseen way we are in private. Thank goodness Jesus didn't leave us to our own devices when he ascended but gave us the gift of His Holy Spirit to comfort and guide us no matter where we are or who might be looking. As it says in the words within the Baptism service: '*let us not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified for we must fight valiantly as a disciple of Christ against sin, the world and the devil, and remain faithful to Christ to the end of our lives.*'

May we all be found out to be a Faithful at the end of our lives. *Jacquie*

*** TEARFUND BIG QUIZ NIGHT – SATURDAY 24 OCT 7.00pm ST MARK’S ***

Do you enjoy:

- a. Sharing a meal with friends?
- b. Guessing answers to weird questions?
- c. Supporting a Christian charity to help the most vulnerable around the world?

If you chose a, b, c or all of them together, you'll love the Tearfund Big Quiz night. Sign-up sheets available this week, see you there! Andy Holcombe

*** SPEED PUZZLING COMPETITION – SATURDAY 14 NOV 2.00–5.00pm
ST PETER’S CHURCH CENTRE ***

Have you ever wondered what it would be like to complete a 500-piece jigsaw puzzle against the clock? If you enjoy jigsaws then you will love speed puzzling!

Come along in teams of 2 (or solo and we'll find you a partner). Tickets will be £5 in advance and light refreshments will be included.

There will also be a sale of second-hand puzzles so please donate any unwanted, complete ones. There are boxes at the back of each church for donations or bring them on the day.

Please contact the Parish Office for tickets. admin@st.peterwoking.org

*** CRAFT AND CHAT – NEW ***

Craft and Chat will be meeting this month on Friday 16th October, 2.30pm to 5pm in St Peter's Church centre. Just bring along your own craft projects or just come for a chat. Tea/coffee and biscuits will be served throughout the afternoon.

All welcome, for further details please contact either Pauline Wilde 01483-722098 or the parish office.

*** ‘THE CHOSEN’ PREMIERE – SATURDAY 17 OCTOBER 7pm –
AT THE VICARAGE (66 Westfield Road) ***

Watch the first episode of series 6 of the hugely popular and amazing ‘The Chosen’, about Jesus and his disciples, ahead of its release in November. We will start with the last episode of series 5, set on Maundy Thursday, before Series 6 starts early on Good Friday. If you don't know what the fuss is about come and find out. Please let Jonathan or Sarah know if you would like to come.

*** PRAYER QUESTIONNAIRE – WHATSAPP GROUP – NEW ***

One of the suggestions from the prayer survey we did earlier in the year was to set up a ‘Whatsapp’ group for urgent prayer announcements, so that these can be easily passed on to people who would like to pray for such things. There won't be any ‘Chat’, so you won't be overloaded with notifications.

If you would like to join, **please contact Rachel Johnson or Jacquie Still** who will be ‘Admins’ for the group. Likewise, if you become aware of a person or situation in urgent need of prayer, please contact Rachel Johnson or Jacquie Still, (*having obtained permission where necessary from any people involved*) and they will post it to the group if appropriate. Less urgent matters will continue to be prayed for at morning prayer, as they are at present.

*** PRAYER QUESTIONNAIRE – PRAYER TRIPLETS – NEW ***

Thank you to everyone who took part in the recent Prayer Questionnaire in the parish.

One question asked if anyone was interested in starting or joining a ‘Prayer Triplet’. As the name suggests, this is where 3 people gather together, at a time which suites them, to pray for each other and the parish.

As the questionnaire was anonymous, the ministry team doesn't actually know who responded that they would like to be in a Prayer Triplet! If you were one of those people, or have since thought about this option further and would like to be part of one, could you let me know? I can then gather everyone's details and take this forward. Many thanks – Jacquie Still

*** PRAYERS OF LOVE AND FAITH – NEW ***

Earlier this year we had a discussion morning on the Church of England's Prayers of Love and Faith, a series of prayers that can be used in a Sunday service for same-sex couples who wish to give thanks for and mark their love in faith before God.

As a parish we are considering offering them and will make a decision at our PCC meeting on Tuesday 13 October. If you did not attend the discussion morning and would like to let us know your thoughts, then please read the discussion document, available at the back of church or at:

www.stpeterwoking.org/plf

To let Jonathan know your thoughts, email him at vicar@stpeterwoking.org or write a letter and leave it in the parish office.

WHAT'S ON

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

CONNECT GROUPS MEET THIS WEEK

Tuesday 6 October	Tots	St Mark's	10.00am
Tuesday 6 October	All Souls' DCC	All Souls'	10.30am
Tuesday 6 October	Refresh Café and Extra	St Mark's	3.15pm
Wednesday 7 October	Mayford Grange Harvest	Mayford G	11.00am
Wednesday 7 October	Community Garden	St Mark's	11.00am
Wednesday 7 October	Community Fridge	St Mark's	1.30pm
Wednesday 7 October	Hale End Court Service	Hale End	2.30pm
Wednesday 7 October	CTiW Prayer	Christ Church	7.00pm

* COOKING FOR RE-ENERGISE - NEW *

We have had 3 wonderful Re-energise services so far with new families joining us. If you have a passion for worship and for food, could you join the team, assisting with food preparation for the parents and children? We would love to have you! You would be involved from 4-5.30pm on 4th Sunday of the month, once every 3 or 4 months, preparing simple food that requires straightforward preparation and cooking and will be pre-bought.

Contact Rachel or Jonathan if you can help

* MISSION GIFT DAY IDRIS RISHAK *

It was lovely to have Mission Partner Idris Rishak joining us last week. To give to his ministry you can

- ◇ Use brown Gift Day envelopes in church in the collection
- ◇ Give online at www.stpeterwoking.org/mission

If you are interested in his course on understanding Muslims' beliefs regarding Jesus, book to attend his seminars on 5 and 12 October at Word of Life church Maybury

<https://www.ticketsource.com/word-of-life-church/t-jxjppvd>

* ALL SOULS' DAY MEMORIAL SERVICE - SUNDAY 1 NOVEMBER 4pm *

Our lovely reflective service to remember those we have loved who have died will be at St Peter's. We only send specific invites to members of our church family who have lost loved ones recently, but it is open to all.

The 'Book of Names' will be available in church from next week. Feel free to add the name of a loved one (check it is not already there please).

If you could be a Welcomer or serve refreshments or bake cakes for those attending, please speak with Pauline or Jonathan.

* OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD *

The National Collection Week will be 9-16 November. We shall be collecting our boxes and other donations at the Shoebox service at St Peter's on Sunday 1 November. (They can also be taken to All Souls' and St Mark's on that day if that is easier for you.)



Please get your knitting needles out and also start collecting items to go in the boxes. Sue Harvey has flat-pack shoeboxes available – there will be some placed in each church or you can phone her on 714632 to arrange to pick one up. We also need cash donations to cover shipping costs; a suggested donation of £5 is essential to cover project costs including collection, processing, shipping, project materials and training local churches to lead a safe, well-organised children's event where your shoebox will be given to a child in need. You can also ask Sue for knitting patterns for hand puppets, bags, pencil cases, etc

* SHOEBOX GIFT IDEAS *

Special Items – Football with pump, doll, cuddly toy

Toys – Cars, skipping ropes, yo-yos, toys that light up and make noise (with extra batteries)

Personal care items – Toothbrushes, facecloths, combs, hairbrushes

School supplies – Pens, pencils, sharpeners, crayons, markers, notebooks, colouring and picture books, solar calculators

Accessories – Socks, hats, gloves, sunglasses, jewellery and watches,

Torches (wind-up or with extra batteries)

Please DO NOT include Toothpaste, soap, sweets, lotions and liquids, war related items, seeds, gum, chocolate or food items, medicines, aerosol cans, sharp or fragile items.

Shoeboxes online. It is also possible to make a donation of £25 and OCC will then pack and send a shoebox on your behalf. There is also an option for you to choose the items that you would like included in the box. Full details on their website (see link below.)

Further information: www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/occ
www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/how-to-pack-a-shoebox#gift-suggestions