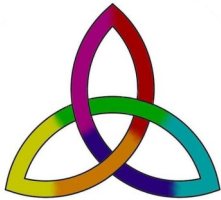


St. Peter's Church, Hershams



13th October 2024
20th Sunday after Trinity

**A very warm welcome to
St. Peter's Church**

Today's readings

Old Testament: Job 23: 1-9, 16-end
New Testament: Hebrews 4: 12-end
Gospel: Mark 10:17-31

- 8 am Holy Communion
- 9 am Breakfast Praise in church. A short, fun and interactive service, for young families followed by refreshments.
- 10.15 am Our term-time, God and Friends (GAF) group for primary school aged children meet in the Church Hall to get to know God and each other while having fun! Games, craft, time to reflect on how our Christian faith affects our lives.
- 10.30 am Parish Communion
- 5 pm Youth led Evening Prayer in church followed by TAG in the Church Hall. TAG is Teenagers and God (our youth group for Year 7 and up). 2nd Sunday of the month. Meet for food, fun and fellowship, social events and outings. For more details contact Deborah Lock 01932 703175.
- 6.30 pm Pregnancy and baby loss is often a taboo subject, with people unsure of what to say or do when a baby has died. St Peter's church will be open for an hour this evening to give people time to remember. Please join us in praying for all those affected, however long ago.

THIS WEEK: SARAH DUNN OFF-DUTY

Mon 14	•	Parish Office closed / Jackie on leave
Tues 15	• 7.45 pm	Jackie at Area Dean meeting Bell ringers' practice. Anyone interested in learning to ring, please contact David Mealor via the parish office on (01932) 253452 or come up the tower before the 10.30am service on Sundays.
Wed 16	10 am 7.15 pm	Walton and Hershams Foodbank in church Life Group
Thurs 17	10 am 2 pm	Pre-School Praise: Come and join us in the Church Hall for action worship songs, a bible story and prayers, followed by refreshments and a chance for the adults to chat while the children play. All children of preschool age welcome – from newborns to 4 year olds! St. Peter's Fellowship invite you to the Women's Institute Hall for an afternoon of music with Peter Toth, a former pianist at a prestigious music and performing arts academy in the Czech Republic who plays entirely from memory. You are welcome to come along what promises to be an excellent afternoon of music. Refreshments available.
Fri 18	11 am	Funeral of June Byrne in church. Please hold June's family and friends in your prayers at this time.
Sat 19		



NEXT SUNDAY: 20 OCTOBER

21st Sunday after Trinity

8 am	Holy Communion
9 am	Breakfast Praise (see page one)
10.15 am	God and Friends (see page one)
10:30 am	Parish Communion
4 pm	First Holy Communion preparation session

NOTICES

GLUTEN FREE WAFERS: If you require a gluten free wafer for communion please let the sides people know when you arrive and inform the priest when you get to the altar rail.

MEMORIAL SERVICE: Our annual Memorial Service will be held on Saturday 26 October at 4pm. We invite families for whom we have held funerals over the past year, but members of the congregation wishing to remember loved ones who have died at any time, are also welcome. Please give Sarah in the Parish Office details of people you would like remembered by name during the service (providing you are going to be there) by Wednesday 23rd October.



THE NATIVITY AT WINTERSHALL:

We would love you to join us for an amazing Christmas experience, the Nativity retold at Wintershall - a live theatre performance of the Nativity complete with donkey, sheep, horses and so much more! This is suitable for people of all ages and really brings the familiar story to life.

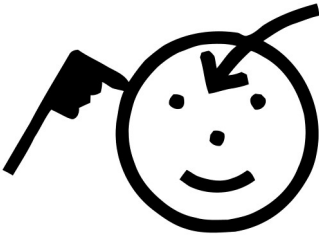


A group of St Peter's Church Family will be going to the performance on **Saturday 14 December at 2pm.**

We have been offered a 10% discount on tickets, including the family ticket which is usually £84 for two adults and two children, but will be £75.60 if we can get sufficient numbers to attend. If you would like to come please contact Sarah Dunn by Wednesday 16 October, by emailing sarahdunn@stpetershersham.com with your name and the number of tickets you require, specifying the number for children (if any).

NOTICES

KNOW AND GROW MAKATON WORKSHOP!



LEARN



MAKATON

We are hoping to host a Makaton workshop at St Peter's, so more of us can learn and help to make our faith more accessible. Makaton is a series of signs and symbols used by people with learning and/or communication difficulties. The workshop is specifically for learning signs useful for Christians and includes The Lord's Prayer, signs for the creed and welcoming signs like hello, thank you, biscuit and toilet! The more people we have coming to the workshop, the more economical it will be. Be a part of increasing the diversity of our church! If you might be interested in this, please speak to either Jackie or Sarah Dunn. We're hoping to do this on Saturday 9 November. More details and timings to follow.

PRAYER GROUP: Did you know that each week after the 10.30 am service a small group of people meet in the Lady Chapel to pray? If you would like to join them at anytime you would be most welcome. You don't have to say anything if you don't feel comfortable praying out loud. If you have any specific prayer requests, either to pray for someone, or something, or also to give thanks to God for something you can ask them to include your requests in their prayers, or you can write your prayer on a leaf on our prayer tree for them to see.

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CHRISTMAS CHOIR

ST PETER'S CHRISTMAS CHOIR

Join us and become part of our Christmas Choir at St Peter's Hersham. Our Carol Service is on Sunday December 15. We sing three carols as well as joining with the congregation for Christmas favourites. Weekly rehearsals for the choir begin on Thursday 7 November and run every Thursday

evening, 7.45pm to 9.15pm in the church, up to the Carol Service. So that's: 7, 14, 21, 28 of November and 5 and 12 December. There will be a short rehearsal on the afternoon of the 15 December before the Carol Service at 6.30pm. If you would like to be considered, please contact Lynn Skrzypecka at skrzypecka@inbox.com Lynne looks forward to hearing from you.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS CHOIR! We are very excited to announce that we are creating a Children's Choir for Christmas!

The choir will be for school aged children and will sing at our Carol

Service at 6:30pm on Sunday 15th December and at other services around Christmas. If your child/children might be interested in joining the choir or you have vocal/ musical talent that you could lend to the choir, please speak to Sarah Dunn. sarahdunn@stpetershersham.com When we rehearse will be decided once we know the availability of those willing to help and those wishing to sing.

Children's Christmas Choir



NOTICES

PLEA FOR BOXES, BLANKETS AND FAIRY LIGHTS!



As part of our light party, on 31 October, we are going to create a dark to light obstacle course. To do this we will need a lot of big cardboard boxes, blankets/sheets of varying thickness and battery powered fairy lights. If you have any big cardboard boxes you can give me or fairly lights/blankets you can lend please bring them to

my office or the Parish Office (both located in the Church Hall). Many thanks, Sarah Dunn sarahdunn@stpetershersham.com

WOMEN'S BREAKFASTS: We shall be meeting between 9am and 11am (ish) in St Peter's Church Hall on **Saturday 14 December** (not 25 October or 2nd November). For those of you new to these events, the Women's Breakfasts offer an opportunity for women to meet for a couple of hours of coffee, conversation and a croissant or two (or other, perhaps healthier, food options). They are a time for sharing our news, asking questions (big and small), making friends or just sitting quietly, away from the bustle of a usual Saturday morning.



The Breakfasts are not just for women from the St Peter's church family, we hope other women from our local community will also want to come along, so feel free to bring a friend.

St. Peter's Church, Hersham

For all of
St. Peter's
Church family



Thursday 3 1st October
4pm start in the church
Then onto The Vicarage for food
and fireworks

So we can plan the catering please RSVP
by Thursday 24th October to Sarah Dunn, our part-time
Children and Families' Coordinator. Number of adults
and children and any dietary requirements.

sarahdunn@stpetershersham.com

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ADVANCE NOTICE: Please make a note of the timings:

Remembrance Sunday: **Sunday 10th November**

Join us on Remembrance Sunday to commemorate the people of Hersham who have given their lives in war.

8am: Holy Communion

9am: Breakfast Praise for young families

No God And Friends (GAF) as we'll all be worshipping together at the

10am: All Age Remembrance Service in church

10:50am: Act of Remembrance at The War Memorial,
Hersham Memorial Garden

5 pm Youth led Evening Prayer followed by
Teenagers And God (TAG)



SPRING HARVEST

ST. PETER'S CHURCH TRIP TO

SPRING HARVEST: Jackie and the Dunn family are going to Skegness Spring Harvest on Monday 7 April - Friday 11 April and would love

more of St Peter's Church Family to come with us. Spring Harvest is a space to find spiritual refreshment, hear God's voice and be inspired to make a difference. With fantastic worship, speakers, children and youth work and all of Butlin's facilities available, we don't know anyone who hasn't enjoyed it! Please speak to Jackie or Sarah Dunn to find out more.

Pray with us

God of mission, fill us with your Holy Spirit to show and share our faith and love in our community, and help us to grow as a church family. Amen

