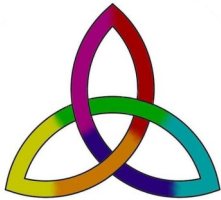


St. Peter's Church, Hershams



20th October 2024
21st Sunday after Trinity

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

Today's readings:

Old Testament: Job 38: 1-7, 34-end

New Testament: Hebrews 5: 1-10

Gospel: Mark 10: 35-45

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

4 pm First Holy Communion preparation session

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.

THIS WEEK:

Mon 21		
Tues 22	12.30 pm 7.45 pm	Lunchtime Life Group in the Church Hall 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 23	10 am	Walton and Hershams Foodbank in church
Thurs 24	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 when Sarah Delves gives a talk on "Handbags - an historical journey". Refreshments available.
Fri 25	•	Vicar's day-off / Parish Office closed
Sat 26	4 pm	Memorial Service (see notices)

NEXT SUNDAY: 27 OCTOBER**Last 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 with baptism of Hari

12.30pm Baptism of Charlotte

7pm Music to calm the Soul: Refreshments served from 6.40pm.

Join us for an hour or so of soothing sounds and classical music designed to ease away the stresses and strains of the week. Bathe yourself in the relaxing candlelit atmosphere of our beautiful church and feel your worries drift away. Bring your friends, a cushion and your slippers.

Future dates: 24 November, 26 January, 23 February and 30 March.

NOTICES

MEMORIAL SERVICE: Our annual Memorial Service will be held this 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.



St. Peter's Church, Hersham

For all of
St. Peter's
Church family



Thursday 31st 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

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

EVANGALISM HUB: 2 NOVEMBER

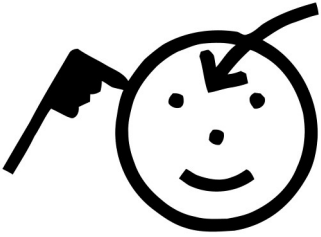
Evangelism is about ordinary people in their everyday lives sharing their faith in simple ways and we would love to be able to empower everyone to do this. Come along to church on Saturday 2 November to find out more in our first St. Peter's

evangelism hub. This session will be from 10am – 1pm (refreshments served from 9.30am) and it is an opportunity for us to learn, pray and have fellowship together as we consider our role as Christians in our lives outside church Monday to Saturday. We will meet termly as a group to explore how we as Christians can Connect, Model, Order and Mobilise our lives as Christians in our community together. For more details speak to Jackie.



NOTICES

KNOW AND GROW MAKATON WORKSHOP!



LEARN

MAKATON

The Makaton workshop at St Peter's is booked for Saturday 9 November 9.30am to 4pm in the church. 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 cost of attending this workshop is £30 to members of St Peter's (we have a £10 discount over other churches). Contact Sarah Dunn by Wednesday 30th October to confirm you'd like to attend sarahdunn@stpetershersham.com Be a part of increasing the diversity of our church so more of us can learn and help to make our faith more accessible.

ADVANCE NOTICE: Please make a note of the timings:

Remembrance Sunday: **Sunday 10th November**

Join us on Remembrance Sunday to commemorate the people of Hershams 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,
Hershams Memorial Garden

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



NOTICES

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 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



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.

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DESIGN THIS YEAR'S CHRISTMAS CARD:

We're going to do things a little differently this year and produce Christmas cards for you to give to your neighbours inviting them to come to our Christmas services. If you are 12 years old and under we'd love to receive your entry in the Parish Office before Thursday 14th November. All entries will be displayed in church and two will be used for the front sheet of our Christmas

service sheets as well: Nine lessons and carols and the Nativity on Vauxmead. We will also use them on social media when publicising our weekly services. The winning entry will feature on the front of this year's Christmas card so get creative. We need an A4 landscape design picturing a scene from the nativity. So not Father Christmas and reindeer but something or someone from the Nativity: Baby Jesus, Mary and Joseph, shepherds, the three kings, the star. You know the story. We look forward to receiving your design. Please also put your name and age on the back. Thank you. Once produced the cards will be available after the service on Sunday 1st December for you to take away and invite your neighbours to join us for our Christmas celebrations.

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.



NOTICES



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.

EASTER SUNRISE BREAKFAST:

Planning ahead to Easter 2025 we'd like to know if there is anyone in our congregation who is prepared to organise and coordinate the breakfast after the sunrise service on Easter Sunday (20 April) which starts at 5.45am. This involves serving bacon rolls, croissants, tea and coffee in the Church Hall after the sunrise service has ended. We have details of how this has been done in the past which we can share, but the people who used to do this have moved away and unless a replacement person can be found the sunrise service will not take place next year. If you feel this is something you can do please speak to Jackie.

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

