

St. Peter's Church, Hersham

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

**9th March 2025
1st Sunday of Lent**



Today's readings:

Old Testament: Deuteronomy 26:1-11

New Testament: Romans 10.8b-13

Gospel Luke 4.1-13

- 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 for games, craft, time to reflect on how our Christian faith affects our lives.
- 10.30 am Parish Communion
- 12 noon Indian meal for those on the tea/coffee rota - Church Hall
- 2 pm Tag outing to e-karting at Gravity MAX Wandsworth

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 10		
Tue 11	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 7.45 pm	Vicar's day off in lieu of Friday Bell ringers' practice. Anyone interested in learning to ring, please contact David Mealor on mealors@btinternet.com
Wed 12	10 am 7.15 pm 8 pm	Walton and Hersham Foodbank in church Life Group / West Grove Meeting of the Standing Committee on zoom
Thurs 13	2 pm 7.15 pm 7.30 pm 8 pm	St. Peter's Fellowship will be enjoying an afternoon of tea and cake and you are very welcome to join them. Come along to the Women's Institute Hall, 4 Burhill Road, Hersham. Life Group / Vicarage Music Group Rehearsal Men's Group meeting (see notices)
Fri 14	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•	Parish Office closed
Sat 15		



NEXT SUNDAY: 16 MARCH **2nd Sunday of Lent**

At our 8am and 10.30 services today we welcome Kevin Crook from Mission Aviation Fellowship (MAF) the world's largest humanitarian air service, flying medical supplies, doctors, and nurses to places no one else can reach and ensuring critical care gets to where it's needed most. MAF was chosen as one of our overseas mission links in December 2019 and we give regularly through prayer, money and manpower.

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NOTICES:



Our Men's Group are meeting in a new venue this month as The Bricklayers Arms has closed. Come to The Barley Mow, 67 Molesey Road, Hersham for a drink and a chat on Thursday 13 March at 8pm. Bring any male friends you feel might like to join in. They don't have to be church attendees. It's a local group - for men. Next month 10 April we'll meet in The Royal George, 130-132 Hersham Road. We'll then decide which we pub we prefer to meet in.

HELP NEEDED: Jonathan Atkinson needs somewhere to lodge from March until mid June. He is moving to Devon this year and will hopefully complete his house purchase in February/early March, but he needs a place to stay locally to lay his head until Kieren (his son) completes his GCSEs. Does anyone have a spare room who could help Jonathan? If so please get in touch via the parish office or with Jonathan directly. Thank you.



DAFFODILS: We are hoping to give a bunch of daffodils with our Happy Easter wishes to everyone who attends the Hersham Centre for the Community on Tuesday 25th March? If you would be willing to help us fund this please place your donation in the plate at the back of church. If we receive enough donations we will also go out into the community on the following two Sundays handing out daffodils as a random act of kindness with our Happy Easter wishes. Thank you for your support.

To save any disappointment make a note in your diaries. **GOSPEL TOUCH CHOIR** are coming to St. Peter's on Saturday 22nd November at 7.30pm. We had such a fantastic sell-out concert last year that we've asked them back. Watch this space for tickets...



Our **ELECTORAL ROLL** is completely renewed every six years and the next new roll is due this year. Each person entitled to have his or her name entered on the new roll must complete a new form which is available in church, on the website and from the parish office. The Electoral Roll is St. Peter's church's register of electors. In the same way that being on the civic electoral roll allows you to vote in parliamentary and local elections, joining the Church Electoral Roll means that you can vote on Church matters, attend the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (Sunday 25 May) and stand for election to the PCC. Being on the Electoral Roll does NOT make you a "member" of our Church; simply regarding St. Peter's Church as your spiritual home does that. If you're a regular at St. Peter's Church, you should be on the electoral roll!

We also hope that you will connect with our ministry and mission by either joining a home group, volunteering in some way in our ministry and mission, or supporting our work and ministry financially.

To apply for the Electoral Roll you must meet all the following conditions:

- You must be aged 16 or over (though you can apply in the year you become 16 and your name will be entered once your birth date has passed).
- You must be baptised.
- You must be a member of the Church of England and EITHER live in the parish OR have attended St. Peter's Church regularly for at least six months.

Please complete a form today and leave it in the Parish Office pigeon hole in church or post in the Parish Office Post box.

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

