



The Catch



Weekly News sheet for St Peter's Church, in the Parish of Ipsley

The Second Sunday of Easter

WELCOME TO ST PETER'S

28th April 2019

Collect for the week

Almighty Father,
you have given your only Son to die for
our sins
and to rise again for our justification:
grant us so to put away the leaven of
malice and wickedness
that we may always serve you
in pureness of living and truth;
through the merits of your Son Jesus
Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen

PREACHING THEMES FOR TODAY

9:45 am **A Lord to Honour**
Proverbs 1:1-7

11:15 am **The Gospel is for All**
Psalm 67
Ephesians 3

6.30 pm Matthew 9:35-38
Romans 10:5-15

Today's Services

9:45 am Contemporary Worship
11:15 am Morning Worship
6:30 pm Evening Worship

Diary For The Week

9:30 am	Morning Prayers	Mon
2:00 pm	Craft Group	29
7:30 pm	Table Tennis	
9:30 am	Morning Prayers	Tue
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9.30 am	Morning Prayers	Wed
7:30 pm	St Peters DCC	01
9:30 am	Communion at St John's Greenlands	Thurs
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9:30 am	Morning Prayer	Fri
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1:30 pm	Wedding of Jamie John Ridd & Chalsey Emma Brady	Sat
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9:00 am	Sunday Café	Sun
11:15 am	Holy Communion	
2:00 pm	Baptism of Tobias Andrew Stokes	
6:30pm	Evening Worship	

Easter Reflection

Last Sunday, in Sri Lanka, as Christians went to church to celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus, as tourists sat to eat their meal, the Churches and hotels in Colombo were rocked by multiple bomb blasts as 8 suicide bombers detonated their explosive devices causing havoc and over 300 people lost their lives. A tragedy that we cannot comprehend. The tragedy on Calvary was transformed on Easter morning into Life, as Jesus rose again. In His resurrection Jesus invites us to receive the gift of eternal Life, forgiveness and grace. In the churches of Sri Lanka the children were celebrating with joy, and suddenly in the blink of an eye were gazing into the face of the One who they were celebrating. What joy for them but sadness for the survivors and injured, loved ones ripped away from their families.

But even in the midst of this grim tragedy there is the message of hope. One of the Sunday School teachers asked the children "How many of you would be ready to die for Christ." Everyone raised their hands. Minutes later they came down to the main service and the blast happened. 22 of the children who had raised their hands died in that moment." Are you, the reader ready to die for Him? There is hope in Jesus our Lord. Let us not faint, or be weary but run with steadfast patience the race set before us with our eyes fixed on Jesus, who shines in resurrection glory, the one in whom our faith is begun and is brought to completion.

An Indian sister writes to the perpetrators, "Perhaps you didn't know that doing what you did, at the time and place you chose, it actually meant that the last words that escaped their lips were probably words of remembrance and praise of Jesus. Which is a noble end many Christians could only dream of." Jesus is Alive! He is Lord.

Canon Garth Nathaniel

Act of Remembrance: There is an act of remembrance for the victims of the Sri Lanka bombings today (Sunday) @ 1pm outside St Stephen's Church. All welcome, please come wearing white.

Council Elections: I am asking you to cast your vote this week in the council elections. It does not matter which party or candidate you support or don't, as long as you vote. I know many are disillusioned with the whole process following the recent shambles in parliament, but do not stop you doing your civic duty. I would also like to ask you not to allow the local candidate suffer because of the national party. The local association is different and works for you and your locality.

“ALWAYS KEEP ON PRAYING” for:



Juan Carlos and Penny Marces in Peru: For Juan Carlos leading Jesus el Nazareno with general Diocesan responsibilities. For Penny with responsibilities for children’s work.

Those who are sick: Betty Wood, Tia, Kate Bainbridge, Chris Tilley, Andrew Johnson, Alex Street, Peter Barcham, Joanne Heaselgrave, Joanne Goodwin, Erica Dilger, Michael Hawkins, Mark Brunner, Imran Shergill, Christine Nash, Glynis Horton, Linda Grummet, Emily Gadd, Jacqui Street and Janet Tegg, Steve Thomas.

Prayers for a poorly baby: Please pray for Iyra Dutton, Grandson of Jon and Di Veal who is very poorly and also please pray for his parents Tash and Ty Dutton

The Bereaved: Please pray for the families of Shirley Butcher and Jean Downes

Our Nation: For our MP Rachel Maclean & the Government involved in Brexit negotiations, for our local councillor & mayor Juliet Brunner and for our security services working to keep us safe;

Migration Crisis: For the protection of people and an end to the human trafficking circuits. For those returning to homes and livelihoods destroyed by war.

Parish Prayers: Allensmore Close Matchborough, Ettingley Close Wirehill, Tredington Close Woodrow, Edgmond Close Winyates.

CPAS: For the training today to equip the curates for a genuinely collaborative approach to ministry as they fulfil their ministries and embark on leadership of several Churches

World: Pray for all those who suffer. That we may seek God’s guidance and discernment to the various ways of how we can help.

Chaplaincies; Chaplains and volunteers in retail and industrial chaplaincy in Redditch, prison chaplaincy, and hospital chaplaincy. Padres to the Air, Army and Sea Cadets.

Churches Together: Please pray that the churches of Redditch can work together and grow in love and understanding. Pray that our various activities may play a part in renewing our faith and witness.

Date for your Diary: On **Saturday 11 May** come and join the Christian Aid Week walk and do a 18, 13 or 5 mile walk and/or come to the Christian Aid Week ploughman's lunch at St Peter's, Crabbs Cross. Ask Felicity, John or Lesley for more information or check the posters in the Huband Room.

Joan Drabble: It has been announced that Joan had died. Many of you knew Joan who was a faithful member of the congregation at Christ Church, Matchborough



St Peter's Church is part of the Team Parish of Ipsley which consists of St Peter's Ipsley, St John's Greenlands and Christ Church Matchborough.

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Notices for "The Catch" to the office

PASTORAL CARE IN ST PETER'S:

We have a very supportive Pastoral Care team. If you have any concerns, need prayer or someone to talk to or who can help you in a practical way please contact the Rector, Canon Garth Nathaniel, either by leaving a phone message on the office phone or directly via the Rectory.

HOUSE GROUPS

Tues pm: Linda Nicholas 451635
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For further information please contact the group leader.



Children's Activities @ St Peter's

Godly play 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month at

St. Peters@9:45

Weekday Clubs:

Scramblers for 0-5 years on Mondays in term time.

Cool Zone

for 7-11 years—6:30 pm

Christ Church Matchborough

Youth Club 7:30 -9:30 at Christ Church