

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
Tues eve: John Butler 520051
Wed eve: Judy Evans 404522
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



The Catch

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

Pentecost

WELCOME TO ST PETER'S

9th June 2019

Collect for the week

God, who as at this time
taught the hearts of your faithful people
by sending to them the light of your Holy
Spirit:
grant us by the same Spirit
to have a right judgement in all things
and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort;
through the merits of Christ Jesus our
Saviour,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen

Today's Services

9:45 am Contemporary Worship
11:15 am Morning Worship
2:00 pm Baptism of Leo Peter Casey
Wilkinson

Diary For The Week

9:30 am	Morning Prayers	Mon
9:45 am	Scramblers	10
2:00 pm	Craft Group	
7:30 pm	Table Tennis	
9:30 am	Morning Prayers	Tue
		11
9.30 am	Midweek Communion	Wed
10:30 am	Coffee Morning	12
		Thurs
		13
9:30 am	Morning Prayer	Fri
7:00 pm	Bell Ringing	14
		Sat
		15
9:45 am	Family Communion	Sun
11:15 am	Holy Communion	16
6:30 pm	Evening Worship	

PREACHING THEMES FOR TODAY

9:45 am Acts 2:1-12

11:15 am Acts 2:1-12, Romans 8:14-17
John 14:8-21

6.30 pm No Evening Service for this week

Rector's Reflection

When growing up, Lent was a time of fasting and self discipline. The intensity of the season crowned with the Good Friday 3 hour service of meditation and prayer, followed by freshly baked Hot Cross buns and tea. Then came Easter!. The joy of celebrating Jesus' resurrection from the dead and greeting others with the joyous, "Christ is Risen." The organ thundering out, "Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia! Our triumphant holy day, alleluia."

Then everything seemed to slow down and go back to normal, till Ascension day. As a child I remember the 10 days of prayer being infused with excitement and anticipation. The 24 hour prayer chain throughout this period culminating with Whitsun (now known as Pentecost). It wasn't made into a big deal. The days of prayer were for the church to be renewed and filled with the Holy Spirit. We prayed for others to come to know Christ, be born again, and filled with the Spirit. As I was baptised in the Spirit, and began to experience the Spirit filled life, I recognised that Pentecost was good news.

Pentecost is Good News not just because we're going to heaven, but because we've been empowered to become new people, here and now. Each of us is called to the heights of holiness not by will-power, mind you, but by Holy Spirit power. Holiness consists in faith, hope, and especially divine love. These are "virtues," literally "powers," given by the Spirit. To top it off, the Spirit gives us seven further gifts which perfect faith, hope, and love, making it possible for us to live a supernatural, charismatic life. Some think this is only for the chosen few, "the chosen ones." Thomas Aquinas taught to the contrary that the gifts of Isaiah 11:1-3 (wisdom, knowledge, understanding, counsel, piety, fortitude, and fear of the Lord) are standard equipment given in baptism, that all are called to be "chosen ones."

Being baptised in, or filled with, the Holy Spirit, means power to live my faith, and power and authority to declare to the World, Jesus is Lord.

Blessings,

Canon Garth Nathaniel.

Pentecost on the Green: This afternoon 1pm onwards around St Stephens Church in Redditch. A time of sharing food, fellowship and worship, a powerful witness to our town. In addition, free parking is available at the college.

Evening Service: Please note that there will be no evening service this evening.

Christian Aid: Thank you so much for giving your time, prayers, money and support this Christian Aid Week. Your gifts and actions are supporting some of the poorest people. Thank you for standing together with mums and babies in Sierra Leone, standing up for dignity, equality and justice. Together we raised £762.87. Well done everyone!

"ALWAYS KEEP ON PRAYING" for:

Juan Carlos and Penny Marces in Peru: As they continue their stay in the Midlands and the activities that they will join in with in various churches.

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, Basil Cottril, Glynis Horton, Linda Grummet, Jacqui Street, Janet Tegg, Steve Thomas, Ramola Vasa, and Iyra Dutton.

Our Nation: For our MP Rachel Maclean & the Government involved in Brexit negotiations, for our local councillor 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: Cradley Close Matchborough, Far moor Lane Winyates Green, Alexandra Hospital Woodrow, Mordiford 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 for the ministry at Saints Matthias and George, Astwood Bank; for the start of Messy Church and that it goes from strength to strength. Give thanks for their new curate Victoria joining them in June.

Christine Nash: This is to inform you that Christine who was a well loved member of our Church family has recently died.

Offering Envelopes: The new weekly Offering Envelopes are now available at the back of the Church, please collect your envelopes.

Traidcraft: The next traidcraft Stall will be after the 9:45 service on June 16th. There are new catalogues in the Huband Room if you wish to place an order. For more details contact Felicity.

Visit to Clarke's Farm: Please join us on June 22nd on the annual visit to Elizabeth and Peter Clarke's farm- Poulton Court Farm, Newham, GL14 1ES. Everyone is welcome, bring a picnic and sun protection, drinks and lovely cakes are provided, as well as games for children (and adults). We will leave church at 9:30a.m. Please let Felicity or Jacqui Street know if you need/ can offer a lift.

