

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

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

WELCOME TO ST PETER'S

19th May 2019

Collect for the week

Almighty God,
who through your only-begotten Son
Jesus Christ
have overcome death and opened to us
the gate of everlasting life:
grant that, as by your grace going
before us
you put into our minds good desires,
so by your continual help
we may bring them to good effect;
through Jesus Christ our risen Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
Amen

Today's Services

9:45 am EXPLORE
11:15 am Holy Communion
6:30pm Evening Worship

Diary For The Week

9:30 am	Morning Prayers	Mon
2:00 pm	Craft Group	20
9:30 am	Morning Prayers	Tue
		21
9.30 am	Morning Prayers	Wed
10:30am	Coffee Morning	22
9:30 am	Communion at St John's Greenlands	Thurs
		23
9:30 am	Morning Prayer	Fri
7:00 pm	Bell Ringing	24
12 Noon	Wedding of Ruth Melley and Benjamin Smalley	Sat
		25
9:45 am	Contemporary Worship	Sun
11:15 am	Morning Worship	26
2:00 pm	Thanksgiving Service for Sebastian White	
4:00 pm	Baptism of Reggie Fleming	
6:30 pm	Evening Worship	

PREACHING THEMES FOR TODAY

9:45 am A Life to Pursue
Proverbs 15:16-33

11:15 am Acts 11:1-18
John 13:31-35

6.30 pm Psalm 98 Daniel 6:1-23
Mark 15:46—16:8

Easter Reflection

One of the things many people say to me is, "I am not religious, I am spiritual." And this is true, for all human beings are spiritual by nature. Spirituality comes naturally to all of us, because we are made in the image of God. This spiritual dimension of our makeup can never be denied. In fact in every generation and every culture there has been an attempt to make the most of this dimension of our lives. Even without the knowledge of Christ there is the understanding that we need to be spiritually alive if we are to be complete.

Jesus in His death and resurrection offers us this completeness. Just imagine the disciples as Jesus taught them following His resurrection. They are hanging on His every word, they are soaking it in. And all of this because they have met the Risen Christ. Slowly that shrivelled spirituality of theirs is beginning to grow and become vibrant. It takes the coming of the Holy Spirit into their lives to fully release the potential of their spirituality.

My prayer is that each one of you may this Easter and Pentecost be revived and refreshed and empowered by the work of the Holy Spirit in your lives.

God Bless,

Canon Garth

Thank you: A huge thank you to everyone who came to our leaving tea last Sunday (and to those who helped and organised), for your cards and good wishes and the generous cheques we were given. It was a lovely occasion and also overwhelming after almost 44 years at St Peter's. We will miss all our friends, old and new, do keep in touch, but we also look forward to being nearer to our family and having some spare time! We plan to buy some garden furniture or a garden feature to remember you all. Many thanks for your friendship, fellowship and kindness to us over many years. Steve and Liz

Penny and Juan Carlos Marces :The will be a Bring and Share Lunch at 12:30pm on Sunday June 2nd, so that we can enjoy time with Penny and Juan Carlos Marces. Everyone is welcome, no need to sign up, just bring whatever food you would like to share.

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"ALWAYS KEEP ON PRAYING" for:

Juan Carlos and Penny Marces in Peru: The Marces are now in the UK, please pray for them this week as they visit Holy Trinity, Springfield, Essex.

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, Jacqui Street, Janet Tegg, Steve Thomas and Iyra Dutton.

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: Brinklow Close Matchborough, Danzey Close Wirehill, Ombersley Close Woodrow, Eyton 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 Church of England, Astwood Bank

Messy Church:The theme for last Saturday was 'Who is God?' with particular reference to His amazing creation. Activities included seed pictures, dried flower arrangements, star gazing and special iced biscuits with stars, the moon and the sun. A new initiative was a small Prayer Gazebo where the children could enter and experience peace and quiet and pray if they wanted to. Please continue to pray.

Christian Aid: A big thank you to everyone who helped with Christian Aid Week this year. For helping with the walk and lunch, putting out envelopes, praying and offered to be a collecting point for returned envelopes. Please bring back to church all of your envelopes by Sunday 26 May. This year the focus has been on healthcare for mothers and babies in Sierra Leone and how the small actions of lots of people can add up to a big blessing for others. Thank you all for your kind actions and prayers.

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