

**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

1st Sunday after Trinity

WELCOME TO ST PETER'S

23rd June 2019

### Collect for the week

O God,  
the strength of all those who put their trust in you,  
mercifully accept our prayers and, because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing without you, grant us the help of your grace, that in the keeping of your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, 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  
6:30 pm Evening Worship

### Diary For The Week

9:30 am	Morning Prayers	<b>Mon</b> <b>24</b>
9:45 am	Scramblers	
2:00 pm	Craft Group	
7:30 pm	Table Tennis	
9:30 am	Morning Prayers	<b>Tue</b> <b>25</b>
9.30 am	Midweek Communion	<b>Wed</b> <b>26</b>
10:30 am	Coffee Morning	
7:30 pm	PCC at Christ Church, Matchborough	<b>Thurs</b> <b>27</b>
9:30 am	Morning Prayer	<b>Fri</b> <b>28</b>
7:00 pm	Bell Ringing	
		<b>Sat</b> <b>29</b>
9:45 am	Celebration	<b>Sun</b> <b>30</b>
11:15 am	Morning Worship	
2:00 pm	Baptism of Edward	
	Rosario Giordan	
6:30 pm	Celtic Communion	

### PREACHING THEMES FOR TODAY

**9:45 am** **People of the Spirit**  
**Stephen Building the Community**  
Acts 6&7

**11:15 am** **Where is God?**  
1 Kings 19:1-15a Luke 8:26-39

**6.30 pm** **Jesus the Messiah**  
Festivals: Day of Atonement and Passover  
Exodus 12:1-38  
Matthew 26:17-30

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## Rector's Reflection

When Jesus said, "I am the Way, the Truth and the Life," He was making a very profound statement which can prove very life changing. He then goes on to add "No one comes to the Father except by me." John 14:6. Linking two totally unrelated passages in the gospels, He asks us "But what about you, who do you say I am?" Mark 8.29

The understanding of who Jesus is lies at the heart of the Gospel. Throughout its history the Church has defended this basic truth of the person and work of Jesus the Christ. They were so convinced of this truth that many were martyred for refusing to say that anyone other than Jesus is Lord.

In the current age where there are so many religious belief systems on offer, the world does not like the message of the uniqueness of Jesus and salvation through Him. In the market place of religions there are two untruths or distortions that are presented and sadly we can see reflections of these even in parts of the church today. The first untruth is that we all worship the same god anyway. While it may seem arrogant to claim exclusivity, it is the claim Jesus Himself has made. The first commandment states, "I am the Lord your God, you shall have no other gods before me."

The second untruth is that Jesus is one of many gods and one of many ways to God. In a secular age this might seem very attractive but could not be further from the truth of who Jesus is and the salvation He offers. Peter says, "Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name... by which we must be saved." Acts 4:12.

*Canon Garth Nathaniel*

### **"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:** Easenhall Lane Matchborough, Hollyberry Close Winyates Green, Fladbury Close Woodrow, Blakemere 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.

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

**Birmingham City Mission:** Tea Party on Saturday 13th July at the Clock Tower, their HQ and Resource Centre, in Bordesley Green. From 12 noon to 2.30pm you can enjoy tea and cake served to your table and live music in the courtyard. There'll also be a silent charity auction running through the day and a programme of mini seminars to find out more about BCM's different projects. For all the details, go to <https://www.birminghamcitymission.org.uk/bcm-tea-party/>

