

**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



Baptism of Christ

WELCOME TO ST PETER'S

12th January 2020

### Collect for the week

Eternal Father,  
who at the baptism of Jesus  
revealed Him to be your Son,  
anointing Him with the Holy Spirit:  
grant us, who are born again by water  
and the Spirit,  
that we may be faithful to our calling  
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 Communion with Anointing

### Diary For The Week

|          |                                      |              |
|----------|--------------------------------------|--------------|
| 9:00 am  | Morning Prayers                      | <b>Mon</b>   |
| 9:45 am  | Scramblers                           | <b>13</b>    |
| 2:00 pm  | Craft Group                          |              |
| 9:00 am  | Morning Prayers                      | <b>Tue</b>   |
|          |                                      | <b>14</b>    |
| 9:00 am  | Midweek Communion                    | <b>Wed</b>   |
| 12:00 am | Holy Communion                       | <b>15</b>    |
| 12:30 pm | St. Peter's Pantry                   |              |
|          |                                      | <b>Thurs</b> |
|          |                                      | <b>16</b>    |
| 9:00 am  | Morning Prayer                       | <b>Fri</b>   |
| 7:00 pm  | Bell Ringing                         | <b>17</b>    |
|          |                                      | <b>Sat</b>   |
|          |                                      | <b>18</b>    |
| 9:45 am  | Holy Communion                       | <b>Sun</b>   |
| 11:15 am | Holy Communion                       | <b>19</b>    |
| 2:00 pm  | Baptism of Isabella<br>Elaine Daykin |              |
| 6:30 pm  | Evening Worship                      |              |

### PREACHING THEMES FOR TODAY

**9:45 am**                      **2020 Vision**  
Simon Peter: The One Who  
Wants Me  
*Luke 5:1-11*

**11:15 am**                    **Epiphany the Sequel: The  
Baptism of Christ**  
*Isaiah 42:1-9;*  
*Acts 10:34-43;*  
*Matthew 3:13-17*

**6.30 pm**                    **Have you crossed the Jordan?**  
*Joshua 3:1-8,14-17;*  
*Hebrews 1:1-12;*  
*Luke 3:15-22*

## Rector's Reflection

For many of us this week has been consumed by intense prayer for our sister Pat Hale after being diagnosed with cancer.

Pat is a source of inspiration to me at this time. When I have met with her to pray for her she has just been so full of testimonies of what the Lord has said to her and how the Father has ministered to her. Whatever the outcome she is standing on the promises of God, the promises He has given her in the past and the promises He is speaking to her in the now.

Pat will say to you that the prayers of the saints are mighty and she is being carried through this valley on the wings of our prayers. She is so blessed and encouraged and supported by the prayers of the beloved family of God. Those praying for her range not only in Redditch but across the UK, Northern Ireland and indeed throughout the world. Brothers and sisters are sharing scripture, prayers, promises, pictures and songs with her via WhatsApp, the internet, in cards and notes.

I do not think that any of this is by accident. I believe that God is giving us an opportunity to experience the powerful nature of fellowship in suffering through our prayers for Pat. As we pray for her with expectancy, God will speak to us and as we share with her and one another what God is saying and doing. In this instance our faith is strengthened and we are all encouraged, but more than all of that we will experience our God in a more powerful and intimate way. I am growing through this exercise and pray we all do.

While we will pray daily for Pat and the family, as a Church we have set aside a day (January 18<sup>th</sup>) to specifically join our prayers in intercession for her. I am encouraging you to pray throughout the day, please fast if you are able to and we will come together at 3pm on the 18<sup>th</sup> January as we pray for our beloved sister.

*Rev. Canon Garth Nathaniel*

**We are all praying for our sister in Christ Pat Hale who has recently been diagnosed with cancer.** Please join us in a day of prayer and fasting on the 18th January, and come together at 3pm in church to pray for Pat and her family during this difficult time.

To save Pat from being overwhelmed, we have asked Pam and John Butler to be the main point of contact for this period. If you wish to visit Pat, please contact Pam or John first as unexpected visitors can be extremely exhausting for her.

**We are having the kitchen refurbished in mid-February.** We are holding gift days for this on Sunday 26th January and Sunday 2nd February.

**Parish Giving Scheme:** If you have received confirmation that the start date for your Direct Debit will be February you may need to do one of the following:

1. Cancel your standing order once the payment for January has been made.
2. Stop using the weekly envelopes when you have used the last one dated for January.

### **“ALWAYS KEEP ON PRAYING” for:**

**Juan Carlos and Penny Marces in Peru:** For their work with couples and with children and families.

**Those who are sick:** Pat Hale, Jenny Latham, Graham Twist, Betty Wood, Tia, Kate Bainbridge, Chris Tilley, Andrew Johnson, Alex Street, Peter Barcham, Joanne Heaselgrave, Erica Dilger, Michael Hawkins, Mark Brunner, Glynis Horton, Linda Grummet, Janet Tegg, Steve Thomas, Jane Gray and Kenny Morgan, Iyra Dutton.

**Our Nation:** Pray for our local councillor Juliet Brunner and for our MP Rachel Maclean.

**Parish Prayers:** Goosehill Close, Matchborough; Hollyberry Close, Winyates Green; Harpswell Avenue, Woodrow; Middleton Close, Winyates

**CPAS:** Pray for PCCs across the country as they consider all that this year holds for their churches. Pray also for those attending PCC Tonight training events, that they will take what they learn back to their church contexts to help their PCCs become more effective.

**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:** Give thanks for those who have encountered Jesus through His people and His Church over the Christmas period. Pray for them, especially those you know, that this year might become a new beginning for them rather than an annual visit.

**A Day Apart— “The Curtain is Torn”:** Cookhill Baptist Church are having a day exploring music and prayer as acts of worship at the Kings Court Hotel on Saturday 18th Jan., 10am-4pm. The cost is £11.45 to cover a buffet lunch and refreshments. All are invited. Please contact Rev. Peter Cook (01527 526513) or Keith Powell (01386 792175) by Wednesday 15th Jan. to book.

**The 2020 Flower Rota is now available**—If you would like to sponsor the flowers for a Sunday please see the sheet in the Huband room, or contact Jane Wootton on 500821.

**The Alexandra Hospital's League of Friends is asking for donations of any dolls** (not Barbie type) dressed or undressed for dementia patients. All donations can be given to Judy Bainbridge. With grateful thanks.

**St. Peter's Pantry**—Wednesday 15th, 12 o'clock for Holy Communion. This week is our Christmas lunch and sing-a-long! Please sign up on the sheet in the Huband Room if possible.

**The next Traidcraft stall** will be after the 9:45 service on January 19th.

