

Loving Bishop's Waltham:

Jesus came eating and drinking...

Over 2019 we are looking at: how we can be more like Jesus in our community; how we might be a little less busy, and so; how to spend more time with people to get to know them better. Just as **Jesus came eating and drinking with his friends**, so we are trying to focus on the things that we can do to **build up relationships with people** around us.

Pray
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Pray for someone – We would love you to use the sheet on the back as a prayer diary, and there are 3 things that you can pray for intentionally: **First**, the people who are speaking and leading at an event; **Second**, the people that you have invited to come along; and **Third**, that God's Spirit may move among the people who come. Even if you can't come to a particular event, please do pray anyway!

Bless someone – There are many simple ways in which we can bless someone around us, build up our relationships and so make it easier to invite people to things going on. For example: 1. **Give time** in conversation and a listening ear; 2. **Encourage someone** in what they are doing or perhaps offer to help; 3. **Make something** for someone and give it to them with some kind words.



You're
Invited

Invite someone – Use the event sheet on the back, flyers and publicity before an event to invite someone that you think would enjoy or benefit from an event. Even if you can't make it still give someone else the opportunity to come.

If you have any more questions or you would like to advertise an event that may benefit others then please do contact me.

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2019 Programme @ St Peter's

*"For John the Baptist came neither eating bread nor drinking wine, and you say, 'He has a demon.' **The Son of Man came eating and drinking**, and you say, 'Here is a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners.' But wisdom is proved right by all her children." (Luke 7 v 33-35)*

Church Services

31 Mar - **Mothering Sunday** – 'Loving mums and the Church'

7 Apr – **Overflow** (1st Sundays of the month)

21 Apr - **Easter Celebration** – 'The Big Easter Hunt'

29 Sep - **Harvest** – 'Festival of Food'

10 Nov – **Remembrance**

24 Nov - **Gift Service**

8 Dec - **Family Carol Service**

15 Dec - **Nine Lessons and Carols**

24 Dec - **Crib Service**

Church and Community Events

2nd Saturdays – **Men's Breakfasts**

10 Apr – **Lamps production of The Passion**

15 Apr – **Easter Messy Church**

TBC – **Inspiring Women Afternoon**

11 May – **Whole Church Away Day**

25 May – **Big Church Day Out**

8 Jun – **BW Carnival**

9 Jun – **Pentecost 'Big Prayer Picnic' Portchester Castle**

16 Jun – **BW Party in the Park**

Sep – **Alpha Course**

21 Sep – **St Peter's Country Fayre or other event (tbc)**

31 Oct – **Light Party**

16 Nov – **MU Autumn Fayre**

5 Dec – **BW Christmas Fayre**

Dec tbc – **BW Pub Carols + Family Activity Day**

Personal Ideas

-Have you joined a **home group** or perhaps a St Peter's **prayer group**?

-Come along to the **3 sessions** (dates tbc) of food and thought to be led by Andrew Hargreaves.....a time to have fellowship with one another and to grow personally

-Do some **Acts of Kindness and Generosity** each month to bless someone....ideas below:

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| 1. Give a cake to someone | 5. Send a thank you note | 9. Pass on wisdom |
| 2. Have coffee with someone. | 6. Donate to the Food Bank | 10. Teach someone |
| 3. Pick up Rubbish in your area | 7. Study the Bible 1 to 1 | 11. Visit someone |
| 4. Volunteer somewhere | 8. Encourage someone | 12. Smile! |