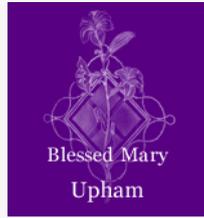


St Peters Church

Bishops Waltham



St Peter's and Blessed Mary Update

17 May 2020



Dear

This Week 17 May

"Shine like stars in the universe as you hold out the word of life."

Philippians 1v15

"Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others as better than yourselves. Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others. Your attitude should be the same as Jesus. Philippians 1v3-5

Thank you for reading the update this week where it is lovely to be in touch with you and for you to know what is happening in the life of St Peter's and Blessed Mary. If you can have a good read through it will help keep you up to date with key news and things that are coming up.

This Sunday it would be lovely if you can join us at [10 am Live](#) when we will be looking at the question of: **What is most important in life?** from the NT Letter of Philipians. The Revd Tom Johns will be bringing us a message and others will be taking part in various ways. In the evening at [Sunday @ 6:30pm](#) Revd Norman Chatfield will be leading a BCP Communion service.

You can join in live via the St Peter's **Facebook page** [@StPetersBW](#) or now via St Peter's Church Bishop's Waltham **YouTube channel**. You can access both these direct or via the St Peter's website home page www.stpetersbw.org.uk

As mentioned last week it would be lovely if you can send me any photographs you have taken to show:

- around Bishop's Waltham and Upham*
- of yourself and/or family you are with*
- things you have been doing usual or unusual!*

With my prayers for the week ahead

James

10 am Live

What is most important in life?

Now on our **YouTube channel** just click here: www.stpetersbw.org.uk



Please join James and others this Sunday for St Peter's and Blessed Mary '10 am Live' when we will be thinking about the question: **'Who does God want me to be?'** with thoughts from Philippians 2v1-18

9:45 am **Songs and Notices**

10:00 **Welcome**, Family Items, Opening Prayer *Revd James Hunt*

10:10 **Sung Worship**

10:15 **In conversation with.....***Di Hunt and Liz Webb*

10:25 **Bible Readings** Philippians 2v1-18 Luke 18v15-17 *Nick and Andrea
Penter*

10:30 **Message:** Who does God want me to be? *Revd Tom Johns*

10:40 **Prayers** *The Horner Family*

10:45 **Hymn**

10:50 **Prayer and Blessing**

10:50 **Zoom Coffee**

If you would like to join us for a 'Zoom Coffee' this week (from 10:50am) please click on the appropriate link as follows:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84739715908>

Sunday @ 6:30 pm

Book of Common Prayer Communion



This Sunday at 6:30 pm we will be a Book of Common Prayer Communion Service led by Revd Canon Norman Chatfield. If you would like join in with these you would be very welcome. If you would like to follow the service we hope that you might have a prayer book you can use at home. In future weeks we hope to have service sheets available via our website.

10 May Common Worship Communion Service - Revd Keith Wickert

17 May BCP Communion Service - Revd Canon Norman Chatfield

24 May BCP Evensong (Sung) - Revd Moray Thomas

31 May BCP Evensong (Said) - Revd Jane Beloe

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Church Giving and Finances



This note is just to say a huge thank you for your ongoing support to keep St Peter's and Blessed Mary active in its ministry and mission which has been really important in the last couple of months and will continue to be needed. As the largest and oldest organisation in this area, our communities very much appreciate us being at the heart of much caring and loving that is needed at the moment.

With regard to our finances, some of you may well be wondering what impact the current situation is having. There will be a small reduction in heating and lighting bills, but otherwise we expect expenditure will remain much the same

as most of our costs are fixed, although every effort will be made to reduce expenditure where possible.

With regard to the closure of our Church buildings for Services, this of course means that there are no plate collections so this will have an adverse impact on the income side.

If any of you who gives via the plate and would like to give during the period of closure, then please contact either Paul Emmerson, Chair, Stewardship at St Peter's (01489 895079) or Simon Beloe, Treasurer at Blessed Mary (01489 860452) and they will be happy to outline how this can best be done.

This could be an opportunity to consider switching from giving on the plate to planned giving by way payment direct to a bank account, either by way of Standing Order to the PCC or Direct Debit via the Parish Giving Scheme. Again Paul and Simon can give further details.

Finally, just to say also a big thank you to all of you who continue to give on a planned basis as this is proving invaluable as we chart our way through these difficult financial times, but even more importantly, continue to give people love and care".

James, Paul and Simon

Anna Hartwell - Family Children and Youth



It has been lovely to have Anna at St Peter's and Blessed Mary as our Family Children and

Youth Worker over the last 6 months. However, at the end of May, Anna has decided to move on and is looking towards a new role hopefully in the Eastbourne area near to where her fiancé Ben works. They are marrying later in the year if all can happen as planned.

It has been lovely to get to know Anna with all the gifts she brought and we are grateful for how she has helped us move forwards with our FCY ministry. For the last month Anna has been in lockdown over in Eastbourne, but supporting our Families, Children and Young People with online materials. On Sunday 12th May at '10 am Live' I will be interviewing Anna (and Sam Sessions) about how they with others have been helping keep the church up a running behind the scenes.

Looking forwards, having a 'Family Children and Youth' leader is a crucial and central part of our team, and we will be looking to advertise and recruit someone as soon as we can in the months ahead. In the meantime, a lay team will be kindly overseeing and leading our various groups and activities. In the coming weeks we hope you to let you know plans for the next few months and beyond once we are back to normal.

James

MEON VALLEY FOOD BANK



Thank you for all your donations where we were able to many families

The items especially needed for the coming week are:

Cous cous

Tomato Ketchup and Brown Sauce

Home baking products e.g., flour, cake mixes

Washing up liquid

Size 6 Nappies

Please could you put donated food in the Food trolley at Budgen's supermarket

Your donations are much appreciated.....

Please note that all referral vouchers are now dealt with via email.

Thank you!

PRAYER



There are lots of ways to be praying at the moment and it would be lovely if you might join in with something

Start the Day 9-9:05am (Mon-Fri) - please join me on the St Peter's Facebook page to hear a simple thought for the day and a prayer

Prayer and Meditation 8-8:45pm (Wed) - please contact Revd Moray Thomas
moraythomas@btinternet.com 01329-833174

Morning Prayer

St Peters 8:45-9am (Mon to Fri) - please contact Wendy Cooper
wendy@barafundle.plus.com 01489-896186

Blessed Mary 8:30am (Mon) and 10am (Wed) - please contact Revd Jane Beloe
janiebeloe@btinternet.com 01489-860452

Prayer Group 11am and 6pm (Mon-Fri)

This is a facebook prayer group to connect with each other and God in a more informal way

For more information and about how to join in please contact:

- Emmie Kerby emma.kerby@hotmail.com 07940323483

- Emma Andersen emma-simply-flowers.org 01489-890291

Prayer Diary

Revd Tom Johns creates a daily monthly prayer diary for us to use which is really helpful and valuable. If you would like a copy please click here: <https://www.stpetersbw.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/Prayer-Diary-May-2020.pdf>

RESOURCES



There are lots of outside resources that we can use to help us grow in Christian faith...why not give one or more of these a try?:

Explore Bible Notes - app for teenagers or adults to help read through the Bible:

https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.thegoodbook.explore&hl=en_US

Desiring God - resources and podcasts answering questions in 10 minutes:

<https://www.desiringgod.org/ask-pastor-john>

UCB Word for Today - Thought for the Day www.ucb.co.uk/word-for-today

Lectio 365 - Daily Devotional www.24-7prayer.com/dailydevotional

Brian Draper - Thought for the Day www.briandraper.org/

CORONAVIRUS

HELP NEEDED AND HELP OFFERED



Di Hunt and Liz Webb (St Peter's) Jane Beloe and Janet Dunford (Blessed Mary) are continuing to lead a team of volunteers to help anyone in our local community who has asked for help in various ways.

Please let us know if you have a need (or know of someone) or would like to help in anyway stpbn.help@gmail.com 01489-892618

We also encourage you to continue offering help, support and Jesus's love to your neighbours and anyone in need as we know you already are.

March, April and May

Please hold before God in your prayers the family and friends of those who have died during this time.

Blessed Mary, Upham

Graham Hulme (25 Apr) - Wed 13 May 2 pm, The Blessed Mary Churchyard

Stephen Davidson (25 Apr)

St Peter's, Bishop's Waltham

Robert Edward Chappell (25 Mar)

James Albert Spratt (23 Mar)

Joan Everett (tbc) - Mon 1 Jun, Wessex Vale

Ann Baker (23 Apr) - Thu 7 May 12 noon, South Downs Natural Burial Site

Heather Pollard (26 Apr) - Fri 15 May 1:45 pm, Wessex Vale Crematorium

Margaret Hewitt (27 Apr) - Fri 15 May 10 am, Wessex Vale Crematorium

Gerald Verner Bruce (5 May) - Fri 22 May 11 am, West Hoe Cemetary

Laurette Muriel Gudmundson (27 Mar) - 29 May 11 am St Peter's Churchyard.

Songs and Hymns for Sunday



In Christ alone my hope is found,
He is my light, my strength, my song
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease
My Comforter, my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone! - who took on flesh,
Fullness of God in helpless babe.
This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain:
Then bursting forth in glorious day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death,
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

When the music fades, all is stripped away,
and I simply come;
Longing just to bring something that's of worth
That will bless Your heart.
I'll bring You more than a song,
For a song in itself
Is not what You have required.
You search much deeper within
Through the way things appear;
You're looking into my heart.

I'm coming back to the heart of worship,
And it's all about You,
All about You, Jesus.
I'm sorry, Lord, for the thing I've made it,
When it's all about You,
All about You, Jesus.

King of endless worth, no one could express
How much You deserve.
Though I'm weak and poor, all I have is Yours,
Every single breath.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!

Unnumbered blessings give my spirit voice;
Tender to me the promise of His Word;
In God my Savior shall my heart rejoice.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of His name!
Make known His might, the deeds His arm has done;
His mercy sure, from age to age the same;
His holy Name, the Lord, the mighty One.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of His might!
Powers and dominions lay their glory by;
Proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight;
The hungry fed, the humble lifted high.

Tell out, my soul, the glories of His Word!
Firm is His promise, and His mercy sure.
Tell out my soul, the greatness of the Lord
To children's children and forevermore!



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