

# St Peter's and Blessed Mary

## Sunday 3 October



Dear Sam

Welcome to this week's update.

Over September it has been lovely to have been meeting each other more regularly in worship and a huge thank you to all of you for helping behind that scenes and for coming along! Over October we very much hope that other aspects of our church family life can begin to happen more regularly, such as our Home Groups and our other small groups/activities. If you would like to join in something please do let me know or get in touch with the leader as indicated below.

Nigel and Susan Hyde are starting a new home group on Friday 7th October and if you might like to join please let me know.

Finally, if you would like to read my October Blog/PN Comment.it can be found here: [Sweet or Savoury?](#)

Revd James

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At St Peter's and Blessed Mary, alongside our services, we have a range of small groups to help us **connect** with each other and **connect** with God. Our Sunday Worship is a crucial part of being a church family, but equally important to grow in our discipleship. As we go forwards it would be great if you might consider being involved in one or two smaller groups or activities where you can get to know a few people well, be supported, encourage each other and bring along new people.

Over the Autumn (if you are not already or would like to try something new) it would be lovely if you might try joining one of our Connect Groups, especially a home group and one other group. If you would like to find out more please contact the leaders below:

#### Home Groups and Enquirers

**Home Groups** Revd James Hunt [jameshunt1966@gmail.com](mailto:jameshunt1966@gmail.com) 892618 07570-042916  
(we have various groups and I can match you up to one you will enjoy)  
**Alpha** Revd James Hunt [jameshunt1966@gmail.com](mailto:jameshunt1966@gmail.com) 892618 07570-042916

#### Parents

**Parenting Group** Kate Smyth [stpbm.fcy.kate@gmail.com](mailto:stpbm.fcy.kate@gmail.com) 07986-009942  
**Family and Children's Groups** Katie Harrison [stpbm.fcy.katie@gmail.com](mailto:stpbm.fcy.katie@gmail.com) 07825-679746  
**Family and Youth Groups** Kate Smyth [stpbm.fcy.kate@gmail.com](mailto:stpbm.fcy.kate@gmail.com) 07986-009942

#### Men and Women

**G@SPS** Simon Harrison [harrison.simon.david@gmail.com](mailto:harrison.simon.david@gmail.com) 895748 07713631919  
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**Men's Breakfast** David Williamson [williamson.rtd@gmail.com](mailto:williamson.rtd@gmail.com) 893524 07730-148920  
**Mother's Union** Mary Blow [maryenblow@gmail.com](mailto:maryenblow@gmail.com) 895958 077454-62389  
**Ladies Group** Janice Romer [janiceromer@hotmail.com](mailto:janiceromer@hotmail.com) 894662 07796-425175

#### Music

**Choir/Band** (St Peter's) Michael Coker [michaelcoker3@gmail.com](mailto:michaelcoker3@gmail.com) 07494541078  
**Choir/Band** (Blessed Mary) Roger Hansford [r.hansford18@gmail.com](mailto:r.hansford18@gmail.com) 07980-573893

#### Midweek

**Coffee and Cake** (SP Thu 10am) Celia Morant [celiajmorant@gmail.com](mailto:celiajmorant@gmail.com) 899068 07962-625051  
**Home Communion** (BM Wed 10am) Jane Beloe [janiebeloe@btinternet.com](mailto:janiebeloe@btinternet.com) 86042 07778-841612

#### Practical Help

**Food Bank** Mike Salter [mike\\_salter@btinternet.com](mailto:mike_salter@btinternet.com) 894003 07785-285823  
**Baby Bank** Hannah Horner [hannahhorner@gmail.com](mailto:hannahhorner@gmail.com) 896003 07584-574296

Over the coming weeks more information will be available on all of our Connect Groups and especially some new Home Groups starting up which is exciting,

James

# **G@SPs** Guys @ St Peters

Upcoming events:



**WEDNESDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER, 20:00 – 22:00**  
**Drinks, The Crown, Bishops Waltham**



**WEDNESDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 20:00 – 22:00**  
**Curry, Friends Refined, Bishops Waltham**

For further information, email Simon on: [harrison.simon.david@gmail.com](mailto:harrison.simon.david@gmail.com)

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**Thank You!**



**On behalf of the St.Peter's Flower Team I would like to thank very much all the kind members of the congregation who have given us donations to our Flower Fund and flowers and foliage to help with the Harvest Decorations.**

**Thanks also go to the Bishop's Waltham Allotment holders (John, Linda and Chie ) who staged the wonderful display of vegetables.**

**Many people have said how much they enjoyed it all.**

**We do appreciate the help we've been given at this unusual period of time.**

**Betty Thompson.**

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# Music Update - St Peter's 2021



## CHOIR

We are currently welcoming new singers to the Church Choir as we begin to look forward towards Christmas 2021! Choir Practices are Friday 7.00 -8.15pm in church, & the choir sings at the 9.00am Sunday Services; Evensong Services scheduled monthly for 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays 6.30pm; and other occasions, incidental Services, Weddings & Funerals. We would be delighted to welcome you! - Please contact Emma Dean or Michael Coker (07494 541078).

## WORSHIP BAND

We are currently welcoming new singers & instrumentalists to join the Worship Band, which plays at the 10.30am Contemporary Worship Service on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday morning each month. Practices are ordinarily on the immediately preceding Saturday afternoon – 5.00 - 6.15pm in church. If you are interested in exploring please contact Michael Coker (07494 541078)

SPIRITCAFE is an evening of music and entertainment, held at St John's Church Locks Heath in the Portsmouth Diocese. Led by St Peters Worship Band guitarist, Steve Allcock, Spiritcafe is an evening of outreach and community, and celebrates the one church, no walls ethos. The house band Cahoots welcome all-comers to enjoy an evening at no charge, however relies on generosity to raise money for specific charities. Soft drinks plus tea and coffee are available with crisps and nibbles. Whilst the church is not 'licensed', guests are welcome to bring wine or beer - glasses are provided.

A quality raffle goes directly to a nominated Charity each month and a Gratuity Box helps to pay for the drinks and nibbles, heating & lighting. Spiritcafe have raised in excess of £40,000 for good causes over the last 18 years! The next Spiritcafe is Saturday 9 October 7.30pm at St Johns Church, Locks Heath. This October Guide Dogs for the Blind celebrate 90 years, and Cahoots will play to raise money for them. Cahoots is a 6 piece band (Guitar, Bass, Piano, Drums and Percussion with Vocals and harmony) covering a wide range of musical styles. Whatever your situation you will enjoy a great evening! Bring a cushion! There will be areas for masks/no masks depending on your preference. Everything will be done to make this evening as safe and pleasant as possible as we get used to this new normal!

## CARRIE ON AFRICA RETURNS!



Carrie on Africa Returns! Please join me for a presentation on my reflections on five years ministry in Africa, future mission work and a big thank you!

Refreshments Provided Thursday 14th October 2021 – 7.30pm St Peter's Church Hall Bishop's Waltham

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## Rectory Rave



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## People for Prayer

*Please pray for those who especially need our prayers at this time and all those whose names are written in our Book of Requests for Prayer: **Susan Browne, Marilyn Gamblin and Roy King***

*We pray for the families of those Anniversaries of Death fall around this time, who are recorded in our Book of Remembrance:*

**Margaret Limbrick – 4/10/2003**  
**Edward 'Teddy' Easton – 5/10/2011**  
**Lilian Ida Robertson – 7/10/2006**  
**Brian Hayman Thornton – 9/10/2010**

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# Meon Valley Food Bank



Thank you for your continued support.

We will be open next Monday between 10 and 12 to receive food donations.

Food can also be dropped off at the following places...

Marks and Spencers Whiteley, Wickham Coop, Wickham Community Centre, Sainsburys Bishops Waltham. St Peter's Church, Bishops Waltham.

The Jubilee Hall, Little Shore Lane, Bishops Waltham, Pre-loved Treasures, Swanmore.

The items we require for the coming week are:

**UHT Milk**

**Rice**

**part baked bread**

**Tinned vegetables, all types**

**Tinned Fruit**

**Gravy granules**

**Shampoo and Conditioner or wash and go**

**Laundry detergent pods or tablets.**

THE MEON VALLEY FOOD BANK TEAM

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