



This week's service

Today's service is led by Sandra O'Toole with Sean O'Toole preaching

Sunday 9th January 2022

This week's reading



Joel 2: 28-32

A thought from Sean

And then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea. They sang: 'Blessing and honour and glory and power belong to the one sitting on the throne and to the Lamb forever and ever.' Revelation 5:13 (NLT)

John's vision in Revelation inspires with the assurance that Jesus has the final victory. Even though we may be pressed down by problems and cares, Jesus is the One who surrounds me with His love and gives us hope and vision for the future. He, the Lord of Lords, is more than able to meet the greatest of challenges because He has already conquered sin and death. Think about what amazes you most about Jesus. Thank Him that the King of Glory is not too grand or aloof to care passionately for you.

Prayer for this week

Father, please fill us afresh with a sense of awe and wonder. Thank You that we can join with all creation in worshipping You. Please come alongside those who are struggling with issues of mental health and those who feel lost and afraid. Grant each one of us a super-abundance of your grace and the deep comfort of knowing that you are with us always. Amen

Children's group JIGSAW

A group for children called JIGSAW is held each week in the North Aisle. After the 2nd hymn/song they will be invited to gather in the North Aisle for news time. Various activities will be chosen from the Scripture Union books and will include a Bible story and prayer. There will also be a snack!

Church Vision

Over the next few weeks, in preparation for our Vision Day, we would like everyone who worships at St. Peter's Church, to share their vision about the next steps on our journey of faith together. How do you think the Lord wants us to grow as a church?

If you can, please pray every day about this. Please note down what you believe should be part of our vision.

These prompts may help you:

1. What do you love doing most? How would you like to use the things you love to bless one another and/or our wider community?
2. Please make a note of any verse(s) that you believe the Lord has given you.
3. Share any dream, thought or vision that you believe is from the Lord.

You do not have to answer each of these prompts but please contribute what you can because, as part of the Body of Christ at St. Peter's, we all have an important part to play in blessing and encouraging each other.

Church diary for the next month

Sunday 16th January
10:45 Holy Communion
 led by Nigel Worth
 Rev Mike Firbank preaching

Sunday 23rd January
10:45 Morning Worship
 led by Sean O'Toole
 Sandra O'Toole preaching

Sunday 30th January
10:45 Morning Worship
 led by Nigel Worth
 Debbie Patrick preaching

Saturday 5th February
Church Vision Day
 in the Church Hall.
 All are invited

A vision for the church from the Parish Magazine February 1970

In 1969 I wrote about the problem of Sunday School Accommodation at the Parish Church. It was an introduction to what is now known as THE NORTH AISLE PROJECT. Since that time a lot of water has passed under the bridge! Eventually, it became necessary for a Consistory Court to be held in the Parish Church, and this duly took place on 20th December. Subsequently there were reports in the Press, on the Radio and on Television. The actual Hearing lasted from 11.15 a.m. until almost 4.00p.m. and Chancellor concluded the proceedings by giving judgment in a speech lasting twenty minutes.

The mandate is clear and unequivocal. The two main nave arches and the arch between the existing Lady Chapel and North Aisle will have sliding and folding glass doors and these will enable the space to be completely open or completely closed. Thus, the Sunday Schools will secure separate teaching areas, and a packed Harvest Festival Service will still have the maximum seating space as now, though improved: for movable chairs will enable us to turn chairs towards the centre of the building, instead of the existing fixed arrangement. The sink will be in a concealed cabinet.

The bells will be removed to the foundry temporarily, for it is the intention within three or four years at the most to have them repaired and re-hung where they belong, and where they can again be rung.

The toilet block will not be in a separate building. It will be added on with access from inside. It will be adequate. It will also be a boon.

There then are facts. This space in our Church can become an integral factor in the outreach about which we must be continually concerned. It will have a number of uses in addition to helping the Sunday School and facilitating Family Worship. It will provide facilities and amenities that many other churches would dearly love to have at their disposal.
 (Reverend Trevor Beedell)

Cleaning Rota

Please clean the church before the date marked. Please swap with someone else on the rota if you cannot clean during your week.

Bonus note: The toilets will be cleaned weekly by Sean &

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| 16.01.2022 | Bill |
| 23.01.2022 | Val & Andy |
| 30.01.2022 | Nige & Deb |
| 06.02.2022 | Christine |
| 13.02.2022 | Deb P & Alicia |
| 20.02.2022 | Jane |
| 27.02.2022 | Bill |
| 04.03.2022 | Val & Andy |

Hartshorne Scouts are looking for additional adult support in all sections;

Beavers (Monday 6pm-7.15pm, ages 5 ¾ - 8)

Cubs (Friday 6pm-7.30pm, ages 8 - 10 ½)

Scouts (Friday 7.45pm-9.30pm, ages 10 ½ - 14)

Training is provided free of charge as is the required DBS check. Further details can be obtained from Lindsey Littlewood, Group Scout Leader

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