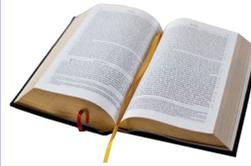


Sunday 3rd April 2022

This week's service

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

This week's reading



Philippians 3:4b -14

A thought from Sandra

I always determine in the Autumn that this year I will work diligently in the garden during winter, doing whatever work is possible, irrespective of the weather. However, I'm afraid that when winter comes, I look out of the window and see the frost or the full sky or the evidence of a strong wind blowing, and I rapidly find a job I can do indoors instead!

We need to be careful that our attitude to our faith isn't the same - we're full of enthusiasm when things are going well, but it's difficult to keep committed to the Lord when things don't go the way we want.

As Acacia Tweed is dedicated this Sunday, let us pray that she will grow up to have a strong faith, bearing much fruit and being used greatly by the Lord on whatever path He leads her.

A prayer for Ukraine

Loving God,
We pray for the people of Ukraine,
for all those suffering or afraid,
that you will be close to them and protect them.

We pray for world leaders,
for compassion, strength and wisdom to
guide their choices.

We pray for the world
that in this moment of crisis,
we may reach out in solidarity
to our brothers and sisters in need.

May we walk in your ways
so that peace and justice
become a reality for the people of Ukraine
and for all the world.

Amen.

<https://cafod.org.uk/>

Every month
10% of the

Who do we support?

money given to
St Peter's church is shared between
the following charities: Swadlincote
& District Youth for Christ, Open
Doors, Tear Fund, Swadlincote Food
Bank, Care Fund & Family Fund.

The church can offer support to
those experiencing financial
hardship with emergency help from
either the Care Fund or Family Fund.

For more information please have a
word with Nigel or Deb Worth.

If you would like to make a
donation to the Care Fund or Family
Fund please place it in a marked
envelope in the collection bag at
the back of church.

Thank you

Church diary for the next month

Sunday 10th April

10:45 Morning Worship

led by Debbie Patrick with Nigel Worth preaching

Sunday 17th April

Joint Easter service with Gresley at St Peter's Hartshorne

led by Nigel Worth with Rev Mike Firbank preaching

Sunday 24th April

10:45 Morning Worship

led by Sandra O'Toole with Debbie Patrick preaching

Sunday 1st May

10:45 Morning Worship

led by Nigel Worth with Sean O'Toole preaching

Sunday 8th May

10:45 Morning Worship

led by Debbie Patrick with Sandra O'Toole preaching

Sunday 15th May

10:45 Holy Communion

led by Debbie Patrick with Rev Mike Firbank preaching

Exciting News!

Mike had a call from the Diocese before Christmas asking if we could please take another curate to train locally. We are such a good place for people to come and train in because we work so well together and because we have so much going on.

So.. Sam will join us in July as a newly ordained Deacon (as our current Minster curate, Bex, is ordained Priest). Sam, like Bex, will work across our 4 churches, across the Minster. Sam is 26 and has been studying at Queen's Theological College in Birmingham. You will get a chance to meet her when she joins us for our joint Minster service at the end of May. The team grows and the Lord is good!

Did you know?

A couple of weeks ago we celebrated Holy Communion in both kinds for the first time since Covid began, albeit with the wafer/bread being dipped in the wine. Here are some interesting facts about how Holy Communion was celebrated at St Peter's in the seventeenth century. The Churchwardens Accounts tell us that in

“ 1644 - [Four celebrations of Holy Communion, the wine each time being fetched from Derby.]

“It. payd for 7 quarts of muscadine* for Easter Day at 1^s 6^d the quart and 7^d in bread both cost in 1648 11^s 1^d

It. the 3 of february 1648 for 5 quarts and a poynt of muscadine at 18 pence the quart and sixpence in bread 8^s 9^d

It. payd for 5 quarts of clarrit wine at 12^d the quart and 5 pence in bread for the Comunion the 3^d of March 1649 5^s 5^d ”

*Muscatel, spelt in endless variety of ways by parochial scribes, was a sweet wine frequently used for Holy Communion about this period.

Just how many people would have been in church on that Easter Day, 12th April 1648?

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.

10th April	Bill
17th April	Val & Andy
24th April	Nige & Deb
1st May	Christine
8th May	Deb P & Alicia
15th May	Jane
22nd May	Bill
29th May	Val & Andy

HELP NEEDED

Would you like to enjoy a cup of tea or coffee after the service?

We have started serving refreshments again but still need more volunteers willing to go on the rota.

If you would like help, please have a word with Sean.

