St Peter's and Blessed Mary Churches Sunday 1st December First Sunday of Advent

st.peter's bishop's waltham blessed mary



At St Peter's this Sunday, the first Sunday of Advent, we have our usual 8am BCP service, followed by our 9am Parish Communion and 10.30am Sunday Central Service.

At Blessed Mary this Sunday it is our Village Communion at 11am.

You are welcome to come to our other midweek services; Blessed Mary at 10am on Wednesdays (various homes), and St Peter's at 10am on Thursdays.

The Mothers' Union Deanery Advent Service is on Tuesday 3rd December at 2.00pm in our Church (St Peter's). All are welcome to come!

Finally, can I please highlight a good advent resource you might like to have a look at and use which can be found here: Advent

Reflections: https://www.stpetersbw.org.uk/advent-meditations

Can I also recommend that you might use and pray the wonderful words of the anthem sung at the Advent Carol service last Sunday which are just below. With my prayers for advent and the coming week

Revd James

Please see below all details for our special Christmas Services at both Churches.

God Whose Love is Everywhere Words – Timothy Dudley- Smith Music – Noel Tredinnick

God whose love is everywhere
Make our earth and all things fair,
Ever keeps them in his care.
Praise the God of love!
He who hung the stars in space
Holds the spinning world in place.
Praise the God of love!

Come with thankful songs to sing
Of the gifts the seasons bring,
Summer, Winter, Autumn, Spring.
Praise the God of love!
He who gives us breath and birth
Gives us all the fruitful earth.
Praise the God of love!

Mark what love the Lord displayed,
All our sins upon him laid,
By his blood our ransom paid.
Praise the God of love!
Circled by that scarlet band
All the world is in his hand.
Praise the God of love!

See the sign of love appear,
Flame of glory, bright and clear,
Light for all the world is here.
Praise the God of love!
Gloom and darkness, get you gone!
Christ the Light of life has shone.
Praise the God of love!

Christmas at our Churches Here are the dates of our special services this Christmas St Peter's





St Peter's Parish Lunches 2025



We will be holding two Parish Lunches early next year in the Church Hall.

The dates are Sunday 26th January and Sunday 2nd February and members of all congregations are very welcome.

For more information call Vanessa Emmerson 01489 895079

Do you have a car? Can you help?

Would you be willing to be part of a group who will collect items donated to the Food Bank from St Peter's church, the BW Sainsbury's and the BW Co-Op and deliver them to the Wickham Community Centre on a Monday morning? I gather from another church that 6 is the ideal number of people, such that you wouldn't be doing it too often.

Please

email info@meonvalleyfoodbank.co.uk if you are willing to help us with this.



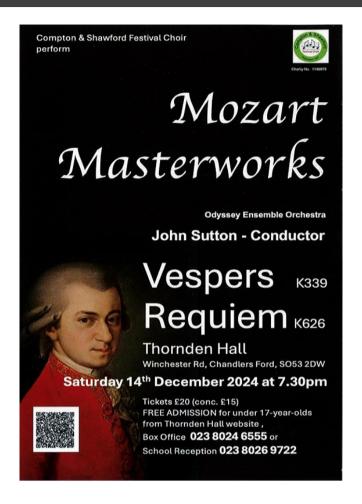
Upham Village Safari Supper Saturday 25th January 2025



If you would like to take part in this popular annual village event please contact Nicola Hill on hills.widlers@outlook.com or ring for more information on 860337. It is a great way to meet new people in the village and meet up with those you don't often see.

Everyone is welcome.

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Prayers

R.I.P. Stephen Cook R.I.P. Angie Blackford R.I.P. June Cuthbert

Please pray for the family and friends of June Cuthbert, Alex Rutter, Angie Blackford, and Stephen Cook

We pray for all those whose names are written in our Book of Requests for Prayer, and also the names of those who have asked for public prayer, and for all those known to us who are currently in hospital.



Angie's funeral is at St Peter's on Tuesday 17th December at 12 midday.

We pray for the families of those Anniversaries of Death fall around this time and whose names are listed in our Book of Remembrance:

1/12/1992	Annie Tombs
1/12/1994	Ivor John Charles Wilson
1/12/1994	Edna Margaret Davies
4/12/2015	Esther 'Betty' Dobbie
5/12/2006	Christopher Alan Smith
5/12/2023	Freda Dunne
7/12/2004	Irene Phoebe Bellingham

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;

Bishops Waltham - Sainsbury's, Coop, St Peters
Church and the Jubilee Hall in Little Shore Lane
Curdridge - St Peter's Church
Upham - Blessed Mary Church
Wickham - the Coop and the Community Centre.
Park Gate - Robinson Reade Estate Agents
The items we require for the coming week are:

Tinned Spaghetti
Tinned carrots
Tinned peas
Tinned green beans
Small bags of rice