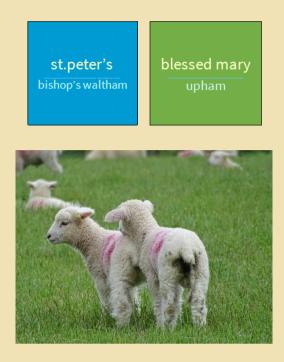
St Peter's and Blessed Mary Churches Sunday 2nd March 2025



At St Peter's this Sunday we have our usual 8am BCP service, followed by 9am Parish Communion and 10.30am Sunday Central. At Blessed Mary this Sunday it is our Village Communion at 11am.

This week we will be continuing to look at the Gospel of John.

Jesus said *"I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me—*¹⁵ just as the Father knows me and I know the Father."

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.

There are many new items listed in the update this week, so please take the time to read it thoroughly.

With prayers for the week ahead

Revd James

Morning Prayer will be in Church not on Zoom next week. Please join Wendy Cooper at 8.45am at St Peter's on Tuesday 4th March, Wednesday 5th, Thursday 6th and Friday 7th.

Ash Wednesday Services



Everyone is welcome to our traditional Ash Wednesday Services on 5th March 10am at Blessed Mary 8pm at St Peter's

Living Church of England Lent Course 2025 If you would like to take part in this year's Lent course from the Church of England entitled "Living Hope", please click on the link

https://www.churchofengland.org/faith-life/what-we-believe/lent-holy-week-andeaster/living-hope-resources-lent-2025

Families Lunch



Knitted Poppies for Remembrance

St Peters knit and Natter group are hoping to knit or crochet an arch of poppies to be displayed outside on the church porch this coming November. This is quite an undertaking but if anyone would like to knit or crochet a few they would be gratefully received. There are plenty of patterns on line (eg Royal British legion) and the poppies should be made with acrylic yarn for best results outside display. Please contact Cathy Passingham on 01489 892000 if you would like to be involved.

Cathy can help with patterns and wool if required.



Save the Dates - Fetes, Fayres and Walks!



Upham Church Fete Saturday 28th June Upham House, 12-3.30pm

St Peter's Country Fayre, Saturday 20th September, St Peter's Church 11am-4pm.

WATSAN Walk for Water Saturday 21st June

First Aid Course Wednesday 12th March at 7pm



David (Williamson) has very kindly agreed to put on some first aid training at <u>7.00</u> <u>pm on Wednesday 12 March in the Church.</u> This is designed to cover not only the core Heartstart training but also some of the other more common situations which may arise from time to time, both in Church or outside.

It is hoped that we can then feel confident enough to give some practical help in such situations even though we may not hold a formal First Aid qualification.

N.B. Would any medical personnel or those with First Aid skills please identify themselves to the Church Wardens and Duty Church Wardens, to be listed as those who would be willing to help in the event of a medical emergency happening in Church.

Also, please could they come to the bespoke Heartstart Session on the 12th.

CHICHESTER FESTIVAL THEATRE MUSICAL "TOP HAT"



The trip this year will be to the evening performance on TUESDAY AUGUST 19th. The coach will leave BW at 18.15 and the total cost will be £47.50 Payment by cash or cheque payee....ST PETER'S CHURCH SOCIAL COMMITTEE If you would like tickets please let me know asap the money will be due by 1st April. Brenda Robinson. brobinson47@btinternet.com. 014899 895508. 07483 820689

World Day of Prayer

You are invited to

THE WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FRIDAY 7th MARCH 2 PM TO BE HELD AT ST JOHN THE BAPTIST ST JOHN'S LANE SHEDFIELD

This year the service has been prepared by the women of the Cook Islands. All are welcome, tea and cakes served after the service.



Prayers

R.I.P. Maureen Butler



Please pray for the family and friends of Maureen Butler, Trudi Smith and Jane Pascoe.

We pray for all those whose names are written in our Book of Requests for Prayer. Please also pray for the names of those who have asked for public prayer, Mike Berry, Mia, Paul and Judith (no surnames) and for all those known to us who are currently in hospital.

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

02/3/2009	Kevin Griffiths
04/3/1976	Ellen Elizabeth Morris
07/3/2022	Michael Anthony Hall

Meon Valley Food Bank



We are holding a joint AGM and Celebration for the 10th anniversary of the food bank on Monday 17 March in the Houghton Room at the Wickham Community Centre, Mill Lane, PO17 5AL and very much hope that you can join us.

We will be 'open' from 6.30 should you wish to look around our current operation and formalities will begin at 7.15 pm

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 pineapple

Instant Mash

Instant noodles

Tinned Rice Pudding

Pasta Sauces

Stock cubes