Welcome to St Peter's Newton le Willows



'Glorifying God and serving the community in the names of Jesus Christ'

Sunday 28th November 2021 Advent Sunday

The Collect - this week's special prayer

Almighty God, as your kingdom dawns, turn us from the darkness of sin to the light of holiness, that we may be ready to meet you in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen

This week's readings

Jerimiah 33. 14 - 16 - The day of fulfilment is near. Luke 21. 25 - 36 - Signs of the coming of the kingdom of God.



Prayers for the Sick

Daniel Ainsworth, Pam Rigby, Tanya Hurst, Mary Spencer, Kevin McMullen, Vicky Rankin, Peter Gooch, Ben Stafford, Joan Chesworth, Mary Parry, Enid Barton, Alice Ellam, Malcolm Walker, Tom Waters, Tim Jenkinson, Michael Jones, Gareth Lyon, Colin Goodman, Alma Pedley, Michael Hurst, Joy Howarth, Joyce Edgar, Bill Fairhurst, Sue Cooke, Sam Hunter, Michael Jones, Hazel Jones.

Prayers for the Departed

Georgina Oxenbury RIP, Joan Stout RIP, Michael Jones RIP

Prayers for the Week

The Christian Church as it begins its Advent journey The people of Yemen St Peter's Confirmation candidates St Peter's School

The Week Ahead & Dates for Special Services

This Sunday

8am Holy Communion

9.30am Family Communion

2.00 pm - Holy Baptism

Monday

6pm Rainbows - Annexe

Tuesday

7pm Guides, Church

Wednesday

10am Holy Communion

6-30pm Brownies, Church

Thursday

7pm - Bridge Club, Annexe

Next Sunday - Advent Two -

8am Holy Communion

9-30am Family Communion with Confirmation

2.00pm Holy Baptism

4.30pm Community Carol Service Followed by the lighting of Christmas Tree



Special Services

Sunday 5th December

9.30am - Confirmation and Communion service

4.30pm - Community Carol Service and lighting of Christmas Tree

Sunday 12th December

4pm and 5pm - Christingle Service

Sunday 19th December

9-30am - Parish Carol Service

Christmas Eve

5-00pm Crib Service

11.30pm Midnight Mass

Christmas Day

8-00am Holy Communion

Joint Service - to be confirmed

Sunday 26th

8-00am Holy Communion

9-30am Family Communion with Carols

Sunday 2nd January

8am Holy Communion

9-30am Confirmation and Family Communion

Sunday 9th January

9-30am - Vicar's final service



Generosity & Giving Campaign

As Christians we know that everything we own and everything we have comes from God. So, when we give, we simply return to Him a small portion of the abundance He has already given to us.

In practical terms this means that we are asking for your generosity to support St Peter's Church. Why now? Quite simply because our expenditure is far greater than our income. We recognise the committed and generous giving made by so many of our parishioners but we are in a difficult financial position and St Peter's needs your support more than ever.

So how can you help? Please take a look at our Generosity handout which you wil find on Parish webpage: http://stpetersnewton.org/

Page one of the Handout considers 'the why' and pages two to four give answers to questions such as:

- How can I support St Peter's financially?
- What's the most efficient way for me to give?
- Who can I contact if I have more questions?

Your support will ensure that St Peter's remains a vibrant and committed church family glorifying God and serving the community. Thank you!

Christmas Journey - The dates for the journey are 30th Nov to 3rd Dec, and we'd like the Journey to be as close to normal as possible.

Crafty Christingle returns.....

Join us on Sunday 12th December to make your own Christingle and Christmas crafts and sing carols. 2 service times are available, 4pm and 5pm, please book your tickets at https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/crafty-christingle-tickets-201275068147?aff=e bdssbdestsearch so we can make sure we have enough supplies for everyone.



Important Notice

Sunday School recently returned and to make sure we comply with adult:child ratio, we are asking you to pre-book by email to jillleparfrey@aol.com or messaging via the Sunday School Facebook page @Stpetersnewtonlewillows. Any spare places will be available on the morning, but these cannot be guaranteed.

We'll meet in the annex during morning service on the first and third Sundays of the month. Children over 3 are welcome for Bible stories, fun, games, songs and craft. We ask that adults return to the main service, rather than staying with their child, to ensure we have sufficient space.

Sessions are planned on the following Sundays (any changes will be updated on this Facebook page):

December dates to be confirmed.

Please message me if you have any questions or need further information.

A request from Mia & Ruby Unsworth

We all know how important it is to save our planet and how we are helping to do this by recycling our plastics, glass and cardboard but what about crisp packets?

Did you know it can take up to 80 years for a crisp packet to break down?

There are lots of packets in our seas and oceans killing our precious marine life.

Did you know that in the UK there are 200,000 homeless and rough sleepers and as the colder weather approaches they have little to keep them warm.

We have found a group of volunteers who collect crisp packets and make them into survival sheets to hand out to the rough sleepers.

By collecting packets we are not only saving our oceans and sealife but providing warm covers for those rough sleepers.

We would like you to help us by collecting your empty crisp packets and placing them in the box at the back of the church.

Thank you

Mia & Ruby Year 5 St Peter's School

A Message from the Vicar as restrictions are eased.

Your safety when attending St Peter's is our primary concern. We want everyone to feel safe and welcome. To that end please hold in mind the following guidance and information:

- 1. Rows of chairs have been placed a metre apart. An empty row will be placed between each available row of seating this row is clearly marked not for use.
- 2. The main door will be open to ensure good ventilation.
- 3. Wearing masks is recommended while in church.
- 4. Use of sanitisers is recommended on entry to and departure from the church.
- 5. Please respect the right of others to remain socially distanced and remain a minimum of one metre from other people at all times.
- 6. Following guidance from the Bishop communion will continue to be administered in one kind.

Please Remember - Your safety is our concern

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