

Welcome to St Peter's Newton le Willows



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

Sunday 5th 2021
Advent Two

The Collect - this week's special prayer

Almighty God, purify our hearts and minds, that when your Son Jesus Christ comes again as judge and saviour we may be ready to receive him, who is our Lord and our God. Amen

This week's readings

Baruch 5 v 1 9 - A reading from the apocrypha which speaks of the salvation of the people of faith in testing times.

Malachi 3 1 - 4 - The Lord's messenger is coming

Phillipians 1 3 - 11 - Paul's prayer for the church

Luke 3 v 1 - 6 - The preaching of John the Baptist



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, Brian Evans, Joy Howarth, Joyce Edgar, Bill Fairhurst, Sue Cooke, Sam Hunter, Michael Jones, Hazel Jones.

Prayers for the Departed

Georgina Oxenbury RIP

Ian and Edith Henry would like to thank all who sent cards and prayers following Georgina's death. They were a great comfort to them and the family. God Bless

Prayers for the Week

The Christian Church as it continues it's Advent journey.

The people of Yemen

St Peter's Confirmation candidates

The Week Ahead & Dates for Special Services

This Sunday

8am Holy Communion

9.30am Family Communion

12.15 pm - Holy Baptism

4.30 pm - Community Carol Service and the lighting of the Christmas Tree

Monday

6pm Rainbows - Annexe

7-30pm Readers meeting-Church

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

4.00 pm Christingle Service 1

5.00 pm Charingle Service 2

Special Services

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

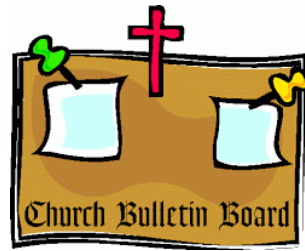
9-30am - Vicar's final service

A Message from the Vicar with regard to the Covid variant Omicron

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



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 will 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 - Thank you to all who helped with the Christmas Journey at All Saints.

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=ebdssbdestsearch> 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

Foodbank News

Foodbank update - A massive thank you again for supporting us with your food donations, we really could not run our service without your generous support. We will be closed for donations on Tuesday 28th December.

We appreciate donations of food/ chocolate selection boxes. Toiletries, nappies, baby food (not formula milk), any non perishable cat and dog food. Like/juice, tinned fruit, tinned potatoes, instant mash, tomatoes, snacks, custard, jam, shampoo, toothpaste and brushes. Toilet rolls and carrier bags.

Thank you once again.

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For the service sheet contact Canon Stephen Tel: 01925 279 292 email: revstephengrey@gmail.com

For the Website contact Wendy Jones at cwjones247@gmail.com

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