

**St Peter's and Blessed Mary Churches
Sunday 7th September 2025**

st.peter's
bishop's waltham

blessed mary
upham



Here are the services for this Sunday.

At St Peter's

8am BCP

9am Parish Communion

10.30am Sunday Central

At St Peter's we welcome Emma Andersen back who will be speaking about 'Barn Church' which she is launching in the Meon Valley Area...it will be lovely to have Emma back and to hear about all that is happening!

At Blessed Mary

11am Parish Communion

We also have our regular midweek 10am services on Wednesdays (various locations) and Thursdays at St Peter's.

Please pray for Honor and Asa who are marrying at St Peter's at 2pm this Saturday.

Please pray for Max Preece who being baptised at Blessed Mary on Sunday.

Finally, I would just like to highlight an addition to the weekly e-mail which is going to include a Christian 'quote' and a Bible 'verse' for the week. I hope you will find these interesting and stimulating week by week!

With prayers for the week ahead

Revd James

"The Christian does not think God will love us because we are good, but that God will make us good because he loves us." C S Lewis

"Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. " Matthew 7v24

Prayer Vigil

Saturday 13th September 4pm-5.30pm at St Peter's



Come and join together as a church family to pray for renewal.

Come for all of the session or drop in.

If you can't make it could you commit to praying from home during this time?

Following our prayer vigil last year wonderful things happened and volunteers came forward and prayers were answered.

Do join your Churchwardens for this prayer vigil.

Liz and Mandy

The National Week of Prayer 6th -13th September 2025

Revd Rosie will host an hour of prayer 12.00-1.00pm at St. Peter's Church on 8th, 9th, 10th September and at Blessed Mary 11th September.

There will be three prayer stations providing the opportunity to pray for Nations and peace; those experiencing persecution for their faith; local organisations.

All welcome; drop in for a few minutes or stay for the hour.



Country Fayre

st peter's church, bishop's waltham

Saturday 20th September 2025

11am – 4pm

Please bring any novels (paperback or hardback) and any good quality antiques/collectables to the Parish Office between
Tuesday 2 September and Thursday 11 September in the MORNING.

(N.B. the office is closed on MONDAYS and also on THURSDAY 4th September).

This will give us time to sort the items etc before the Fayre itself as this can be a mammoth task! Also, just a reminder that you can still collect a bottle carrier from the back of Church and return this to the garage at The Old Pound on Maypole Green, the deadline for this is **Thursday 18 September**

Thanks, any queries please contact Paul Emmerson on 07901 842196

Historic Churches Ride and Stride
Saturday 13th September



On Saturday 13th September, many churches in the area will be open for the annual Ride and Stride sponsored event. A small group of cyclists from here will be leaving St. Peter's at 10.00 and visiting some of these churches, with a route of about 25 - 30 miles. If you would like to join us, please contact Jackie on 07808 065152. If you would like to sponsor the team, there will be a form at the back of church over the next few weeks. Half of the proceeds will go directly to our church, with the rest going into a fund to support other historic churches.

Confirmation Group – Are you considering Confirmation?

Might you like to be confirmed or are thinking about being confirmed? Over the Autumn James will be running a confirmation group for anyone who would like to come along. There will be no pressure to confirmed at the end but only if you feel it is the right time.

Dates for confirmation services coming up at the Cathedral are:

Saturday 15th November 2025 at 5.45pm

Saturday 31st January 2026 at 5.45pm

Saturday 4th April 2026 at the Easter Vigil at 8.00pm

What is confirmation? Confirmation is a sacrament signifying a person's personal commitment to their Christian faith and strengthening their bond with the Church family and the Holy Spirit. It is the adult completion of Baptism where a person confirms the promises made on their behalf during their baptism. The Bishop lays hands on the candidate, anointing them with oil (chrism) and praying for the Holy Spirit to empower them.

CYE Sponsored Swim



raising funds for the work of
CHRISTIAN YOUTH ENTERPRISES

10:10

Have come that they may have life, and have it to the full
John 10:10 - The Bible

11TH OCTOBER 2025

SPONSORED OPEN SWIM

100m mini junior 6+

500m junior & adult

1km junior* & adult

1.5km junior* & adult

3km 16+

DISTANCES FOR LOTS OF AGES AND ABILITIES

ALL HEATS FINISH AT RESOLUTE

ONE OFF FEE OR SPONSORSHIP TARGET TO TAKE PART

SIGN UP AT CYE.ORG.UK

All money raised will go into CYE's Bursary Fund, opening the door for more young people to come and enjoy life to the full.

*Junior age: 8 - 16 yrs

God, the Bible Everything (in 60 minutes)

A date for your diary - Sat 18th October at St Peter's

A brand new live one-man evangelistic comedy show by BBC Sitcom Writer,
James Cary

In *God, the Bible and Everything*, BBC comedy writer and 'stand-up theologian' James Cary explains the whole Bible, in one hour, with jokes and a big screen. And maybe even a song or two.

In this fast-moving show, written and developed for audiences of all ages, all faiths and none, James Cary shows how familiar Bible stories still in our culture like Adam and Eve, Noah's Ark, the Tower of Babel, David and Goliath and Jesus all fit together.

Can he really get through all that in 60 minutes? It will be fun finding out!

Ticket information to follow.....

Autumn Music Concert and Art Exhibition

The Blessed Mary Church, Upham
SO32 1JH



Saturday 27th September 2025 6.00 p.m.

'ECHOES OF EDEN'

*'Sublime' Music and Art inspired by the Creation of the World
featuring:*



'The Lowry Girls'

Organ, Piano and Recorder solos

**Anthems sung by the Combined Choirs and guests
Including:**

**'Rutter: 'Look at The World' 'All Things Bright and Beautiful'
'For the Beauty of the Earth'**

Fauré 'In Paradisum'

Soprano Soloist: Tamsin Withers will sing:

'The Fuchsia Tree' Roger Quilter

'The Sky above the Roof' Vaughan Williams.

'Audience Participation Hymns'



Organist: Dr Roger Hansford

Conductor: Michael Coker



Scan to purchase

Tickets £10.00 including refreshments and a glass of wine
Free Art Exhibition: Saturday: 10am - 3pm and Sunday: 1pm - 4pm

Available from: The Parish Office: Free Street Bishops Waltham Hampshire SO32 1PW

Tel: 01489 892197 stpbm.office@gmail.com or Janet Dunford pine.end@gmail.com

Rosemary Bickle rbickle@gmail.com or Mandy Cawood amandajcawood@gmail.com

Or scan the QR Code

Prayers

**R.I.P. Donald Beechey
R.I.P. Clive Springer
R.I.P. Susan Pitters
R.I.P. Maureen Emery**



**Please pray for the family and friends of Donald
Beechey, Clive Springer, Susan Pitters, Maureen Emery**

and Iris Forsdyke.

**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, Yuan Xiang Wu, Jackie Suter, Mike
Berry, 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:

08/09/1953	Anthony (Tony) Pink
09/09/2016	John Christopher Walker
12/09/2011	Michele Everest
13/09/2003	Vera May Stacey

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

Curdrige - 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 Tuna
Tinned vegetables
Instant Custard
Cup a Soups
