



The United Benefice of Sharnbrook, Felmersham and Knotting with Souldrop

<https://sharnbrookbenefice.church>



Welcome

Sunday 4th January 2026	9:00am	Said Communion (CW)	St. Mary's	Fr. Mac
CHRISTMAS 2	10:30am	Choral Communion	St. Peter's + Zoom	Fr. Mac
Wednesday 7th January	9:30am	Communion (CW)	St. Mary's	Fr. Mac
Thursday 8th January	9:30am	Morning Prayer (CW)	Zoom	Neville Adams
Sunday 11th January	9:00am	Said Communion (BCP)	St. Peter's	Rev. Nick
EPIPHANY	10:30am	Holy Communion	All Saints	Fr. Mac
	10:30am	Choral Communion	St. Mary's + Zoom	Rev. Nick
	3:00pm	Faith Explorers	St. Mary's	Sue Whitehouse
	3:00pm	Evensong	St. Peter's	Rosemary DREWERY

Whilst Revd Paolo is on leave, from December 26th to January 14th,
please contact Revd Nick Munday for pastoral matters, and your churchwarden for anything else.

Upcoming Regular Events:-

<u>Little Hearts</u>	Friday 9th January 9:30 - 11am
<u>The Ark</u>	Wednesday 28th January , 10 am -12 noon
<u>Needles & Pins</u>	Wednesday 7th January , 10 am -12 noon
<u>Faith Explorers</u>	Sunday 11th January , St. Mary's, 3pm
Churches Together Lunch Club	Tuesday 20th January , 12:30pm
Sharnbrook Home Study Group	Tuesday 3rd February , 7:30 pm
Felmersham Home Study Group	Thursday 5th February , 7:30 pm



SILENT SOLDIER and MEMORY
These two Commemorative trees from our Christmas Tree Festival will remain in St. Peter's Prayer corner beside the font until Candlemas.

All those named on the Memory Tree were collectively remembered in special prayers on Christmas morning, and will be again at Candlemas.
You are welcome to add new name tags at any time.

Ouse Valley Mothers' Union

will meet in St. Peter's Room on **Thursday 8th January** at 2.30pm

Members' Meeting

Tea, cake and good conversation as we plan the year ahead

Please click [poster](#) for further details

Welcome to the Man Cave

Resuming on **9th January**, on Friday mornings at 10am at Sharnbrook Scout hut. An opportunity to make new friends, chat and share experiences. Free tea, coffee and toast.

For more information call Bernard Brown on 07711664451 or Steve Marvell on 07904 176698
Please click [here](#) to view poster.

We remember in our prayers all those in our Prayer Book or on our Prayer Board, and especially the following:-

The sick and in need: Penni, Nicole, Debbi, Gill, Derek, Ron, Robert, Clemmie, Marion, Gill M, Jane, Ben

The Departed Richard Smerdon

(Please let Revd. Paolo Di Leo know if you would like any names of dear ones to be added or removed)

'Zoom' Link for our Benefice Online Services
<https://zoom.us/j/763110804> Password: 079014
Choral Communion
Readers: Julian and Wendy Armitage
Intercessor: Father Mac

Happy New Year

May the Spirit of Christmas, with its message of peace, love, and hope, continue to guide and accompany you throughout the New Year.

Be courageous in your journey, knowing that every failure will point to a new beginning and every accomplishment will serve as a stepping stone to a greater hope.

May your New Year be filled with the transformative and the unwavering love of God, revealed through Jesus Christ the Spirit of Christmas and the hope of the world.

Church Contacts

The Rector: Revd. Paolo Di Leo, MBA, BA Hons (Day off Monday)

Email: rev.pdileo@gmail.com

The Rectory,

Office: 01234 782000

81 High St.

Mobile: 07968 606377

Sharnbrook MK44 1PE

Churchwardens:

St Peter's Church Roland Carpenter 07801 750963

St Mary's Church Sue Whitehouse 01234 781300

All Saints' Church Nick Wells 07841 759497

Safeguarding Co-Ord: Rosemary DREWERY 07792 926004

To receive this weekly pew sheet by email, or to offer items for inclusion, please send an email to pewnotice@stpeterssharnbrook.church

ST. PETER'S by cheque or online banking	Sharnbrook PCC Sort Code 20-05-74 Acc. No. 80821632 Reference ST PETER	ST. MARY'S by cheque or online banking	Felmersham PCC Sort Code 40-10-02 Acc. No. 71165011 Reference ST MARY	ALL SAINTS' by cheque or online banking	Souldrop PCC Sort Code 30-99-50 Acc. No. 17958463 Reference ALL SAINTS
Click image	Scan QR Code	Click image	Scan QR Code	Click image	Scan QR Code
ST. PETER'S WEBSITE		ST. MARY'S WEBSITE		ALL SAINTS' WEBSITE	

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

When you have finished with this sheet please pass it on to someone unable to get to church today

COLLECT

God our Father,
in love you sent your Son that the world may have life:
lead us to seek him among the outcast
and to find him in those in need,
for Jesus Christ's sake. **Amen**

1ST READING: Ecclesiasticus 24: 1-12

Wisdom praises herself,
and tells of her glory in the midst of her people.
In the assembly of the Most High she opens her
mouth, and in the presence of his hosts she tells of
her glory:
'I came forth from the mouth of the Most High,
and covered the earth like a mist.
I dwelt in the highest heavens,
and my throne was in a pillar of cloud.
Alone I compassed the vault of heaven
and traversed the depths of the abyss.
Over waves of the sea, over all the earth,
and over every people and nation I have held sway.
Among all these I sought a resting-place;
in whose territory should I abide?
'Then the Creator of all things gave me a command,
and my Creator chose the place for my tent.
He said, "Make your dwelling in Jacob,
and in Israel receive your inheritance."
Before the ages, in the beginning, he created me,
and for all the ages I shall not cease to be.
In the holy tent I ministered before him,
and so I was established in Zion.
Thus in the beloved city he gave me a resting-place,
and in Jerusalem was my domain.
I took root in an honoured people,
in the portion of the Lord, his heritage.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

2ND READING: Ephesians 1: 3-14

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things

(continued)

according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance towards redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

GOSPEL: John 1: (1-9) 10-18

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth. (John testified to him and cried out, 'This was he of whom I said, "He who comes after me ranks ahead of me because he was before me."') From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you O Christ

POST COMMUNION

All praise to you,
almighty God and heavenly king,
who sent your Son into the world
to take our nature upon him
and to be born of a pure virgin:
grant that, as we are born again in him,
so he may continually dwell in us
and reign on earth as he reigns in heaven,
now and for ever.

Amen