



# The United Benefice of Sharnbrook, Felmersham and Knotting with Souldrop

<https://sharnbrookbenefice.church>

**Welcome**



<b>Sunday 25th January</b>	9:00am	<b>Said Communion (BCP)</b>	St. Peter's	Fr. Mac
<b>EPIPHANY 3</b>	10:30am	<b>Choral Communion</b>	St. Mary's + Zoom	Rev. Paolo / Rosemary Drewery
	3:00pm	<b>Evensong</b>	St. Peter's	Rev. Paolo
Wednesday 28th January	9:30am	<b>Communion (BCP)</b>	St. Peter's	Rev. Nick
Thursday 29th January	9:30am	<b>Morning Prayer (CW)</b>	Zoom	Rev. Paolo
<b>Sunday 1st February</b>	9:00am	<b>Said Communion (CW)</b>	St. Mary's	Rev. Paolo
<b>PRESENTATION OF CHRIST</b>	10:30am	<b>Choral Communion</b>	St. Peter's + Zoom	Rev. Nick / Rev. Paolo

## Upcoming Regular Events:-

**Little Hearts** Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> January, 9:30 - 11am  
**The Ark** Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> January, 10 am -12 noon  
**Needles & Pins** Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> February, 10 am -12 noon  
**Faith Explorers** Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> February, St. Mary's 3pm  
**Churches Together Lunch Club** Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> February, 12:30pm  
**Carers Together** Monday February 2<sup>nd</sup> 2:30pm  
**Sharnbrook Home Study Group** Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February, 7:30 pm  
**Felmersham Home Study Group** Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> February, 7:30 pm

## 'Zoom' Link for our Benefice Online Services

<https://zoom.us/j/763110804> Password: 079014

Choral Communion  
 Readers: Clive Just and Ros Just  
 Intercessor: Ernest Carwithen

## CHILDREN'S SOCIETY HOUSE COLLECTION BOXES

### *A Message from Paul and Ali*

If you have one of last year's Children's Society House Collection boxes, please either

- Bring it to St. Peter's on Sunday 1st February,
- Call 01234 782149 to arrange to drop it off at Pear Tree Cottage 97, High Street,
- Call 01234 782149 to arrange for it to be collected.

**New boxes will be distributed during February, and new box holders would be most welcome.**

## Home Study Groups

Two groups, running monthly.  
 An opportunity for fellowship,  
 and deepening our understanding of scripture.

### **Sharnbrook Group:**

The Rectory, 81 High Street, Sharnbrook  
 Next Meeting: **Tuesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> February** 2026 at 7:30 PM

### **Felmersham Group:**

Riverside House, Felmersham  
 Next Meeting: **Thursday, 5<sup>th</sup> February** 2026 at 7:30 PM

To help us plan for numbers,  
**please register your interest in either group,**  
 by contacting **Revd Paolo**.

## The Ark

**Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> January**  
**10am - 12noon, St Peter's Room**

The Ark is a place to gather  
 and find company and support.

**Everyone welcome**



## SILENT SOLDIER and MEMORY

Those named on the Memory Tree were collectively remembered in special prayers at Christmas, and will be again at Candlemas.

You are welcome to add new names.

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** John Longstaff, Shirley O'Shaughnessy, Candiece Rogers

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

## Church Contacts

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**ST. PETER'S WEBSITE**

## Sharnbrook PCC

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# EPIPHANY 3

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

## COLLECT

God of all mercy,  
your Son proclaimed good news to the poor,  
release to the captives, and freedom to the oppressed:  
anoint us with your Holy Spirit  
and set all your people free to praise you in  
Christ our Lord.      **Amen**

## 1<sup>ST</sup> READING: Isaiah 9: 1-4

But there will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

The people who walked in darkness  
have seen a great light;  
those who lived in a land of deep darkness—  
on them light has shined.

You have multiplied the nation,  
you have increased its joy;  
they rejoice before you  
as with joy at the harvest,  
as people exult when dividing plunder.  
For the yoke of their burden,  
and the bar across their shoulders,  
the rod of their oppressor,  
you have broken as on the day of Midian.

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

## 2<sup>ND</sup> READING: 1 Corinthians 1: 10-18

Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you should be in agreement and that there should be no divisions among you, but that you should be united in the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each of you says, 'I belong to Paul', or 'I belong to Apollos', or 'I belong to Cephas', or 'I belong to Christ.' Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power. *(continued)*

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

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

## GOSPEL: Matthew 4: 12-23

Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the lake, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

'Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali,  
on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—  
the people who sat in darkness  
have seen a great light,  
and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned.'

From that time Jesus began to proclaim, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.'

As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the lake—for they were fishermen. And he said to them, 'Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.' Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you O Christ**

## POST COMMUNION

Almighty Father,  
whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world: may your people, illumined by your word and sacraments, shine with the radiance of his glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

**Amen**

In memory of Shirley O'Shaughnessy, whose funeral will take place at St .Peter's Church, Sharnbrook at 1:30pm on Thursday 29th January 2026.