



**United Benefice of  
St Peter's Church, Ightham & St George's Church, Wrotham**

Gathering in Community - Growing in Christ - Going in Service



## Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2026 – Lent 1

### St Peter's, Ightham

#### 10am Holy Communion

Led by Revd Marilyn Ilyas

### St George's, Wrotham

#### 9am Breakfast@Church

Led by Sandy Chapman

#### 10:30am Sung Matins

Led by John Webster

### This week at St Peter's, Ightham

Tue 24 <sup>th</sup> Feb	2:15pm	WI Book Club
	4:30pm	Bell Ringing practice
<b>Weds 25<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	<b>10am</b>	<b>Morning Prayer</b> led by John Webster
	10:15am	Community Coffee Shop
	7:45pm	Connect Group Lent course begins on Zoom
Thurs 26 <sup>th</sup> Feb	9:30am	Oasis women's group
	10am	Toddler Group
<b>Fri 27<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	<b>11am</b>	<b>FUNERAL</b> – John Edwards
<b>Sun 1<sup>st</sup> March</b>	<b>9am</b>	<b>Breakfast@Church</b> led by Michelle Lawson
	<b>6pm</b>	<b>Evensong</b> led by John Webster

### This week at St George's, Wrotham

Mon 23 <sup>rd</sup> Feb	6:45pm	Prayer Group on Zoom
Tues 24 <sup>th</sup> Feb	10:30am	Charity coffee morning
Weds 25 <sup>th</sup> Feb	7:45pm	Connect Group Lent course begins on Zoom
Thurs 26 <sup>th</sup> Feb	7:30pm	Choir practice
<b>Sun 1<sup>st</sup> Mar</b>	<b>10:30am</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b> led by Revd Christopher Johnson

### Future dates for your diaries

<b>Fri 6<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>10am</b>	<b>World Day of Prayer service</b> at <a href="#">St Peter's Ightham</a>
Sat 7 <sup>th</sup> March	6:30pm	FoSGs Quiz & Meal night at Wrotham village hall
Sat 14 <sup>th</sup> March	8:30am	Men's Breakfast at G & D, Ightham
	10am	Churchyard working party at <a href="#">St Peter's Ightham</a>
Tues 17 <sup>th</sup> March	9:30am	WK Community Energy Advice drop-in at <a href="#">St George's Wrotham</a>
<b>Sun 29<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>10:30am</b>	<b>United Benefice Holy Communion</b> at <a href="#">St George's Wrotham</a>
Weds 1 <sup>st</sup> April	8pm	Wrotham Annual Parish Meeting in Wrotham Pavillion
Sun 10 <sup>th</sup> May	11:30am	APCM at <a href="#">St Peter's Ightham</a>
Sun 17 <sup>th</sup> May	12noon	APCM at <a href="#">St George's Wrotham</a>
<b>Tues 2<sup>nd</sup> June</b>	<b>7:30pm</b>	<b>Installation of Revd Stewart Gibbs</b> at <a href="#">St George's Wrotham</a>
Tues 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Evening	The King's Men Concert at <a href="#">St Peter's Ightham</a>

## Benefice Notices

### Connect Group – Online Lent course begins Weds 25<sup>th</sup> February 7:45pm

The Connect Group will be following a weekly Lent course via Zoom. There will be 6 sessions starting on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> February at 7:45pm and finishing on 1<sup>st</sup> April. Everyone is welcome

They will be using the following book:

**A Passion for Christ:** <https://www.eden.co.uk/christian-books/easter-and-lent-books/lent-books/lent-books-for-groups/cover-to-cover-lent-study-guide-a-passion-for-christ/>

Please email John Webster for further details and the Zoom link [llm@ighthamchurch.org.uk](mailto:llm@ighthamchurch.org.uk)

### World Day of Prayer service – Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March 10am at St Peter's, Ightham

There will be a special service to mark the World Day of Prayer held at St Peter's Ightham at 10am on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March, followed by refreshments in the church centre.

### Help with high energy bills drop-in session – Tues 17<sup>th</sup> March from 9:30am at St George's Wrotham

Citizen's Advice will be running a drop-in session between 9:30am-12:30pm at St George's Wrotham, offering practical advice from specialist energy advisers. \*FREE energy goody bags available\*

### Installation of the new Rector – Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 7:30pm at St George's Wrotham

The installation of Revd Stewart Gibbs as Rector of Ightham and Wrotham by Bishop Jonathan Gibbs will take place at 7:30pm on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June in St George's Church Wrotham. Please put the date on your calendars.

### SAVE THE DATE! The King's men Concert - Tuesday 14th July at St Peter's, Ightham

The King's Men will be returning to give a concert at St Peter's, Ightham, the evening of 14<sup>th</sup> July. More information on tickets will come soon but for now, please put the date in your diaries!

## Ightham Notices

### Sunday morning refreshments – Help needed for 8<sup>th</sup> March please

Please join us for refreshments in the Church Centre after the 10am service. If you can help with these or with serving breakfast at Breakfast@Church, please sign up for a date on the rota – there are lots of spaces to fill! If you are doing it for the first time, let us know and we can link you up with someone more experienced. Sign up via the link or email Jane [admin@ighthamchurch.org.uk](mailto:admin@ighthamchurch.org.uk) or ring her on 07940

547310 or speak to Naomi on Sunday. Rota link:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1FcSeTJHfxr2KSMNyDkGUQrPNs7OUfZtf333dhdyHOiE/edit?usp=sharing>

### Donating to St Peters, Ightham

Donations can be made by debit or credit card anytime the church is open, by using the card machine at the back of church. Alternatively, you can donate via our Just Giving Page using the QR code or the link below <https://www.justgiving.com/stpeterschurch-ightham>

Please contact the treasurer if you would like to set up regular giving or to Gift Aid your donations. Email [treasurer@ighthamchurch.org.uk](mailto:treasurer@ighthamchurch.org.uk) Thank you for your support.



## Wrotham Notices

### FoSG's Quiz Night – Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March 6:30pm for 7pm start

Including a 2-course meal. Tickets £15 per person available from Diana Knox 01732 885172. See flyer at the end of this pewsheet for details.

### Donating to St George's, Wrotham

If you would like to make a one-off donation to St George's Church, you can do so via the online link <https://givealittle.co/campaigns/2b1bcc92-1729-4d4f-93b8-3cb86deb8bad> Please contact the treasurer if you would like to set up regular giving or Gift Aid your donations. Email [treasurer@wrothamchurch.org](mailto:treasurer@wrothamchurch.org) Thank you for your support.



### The Friends of Rochester Cathedral – 5 day tour departing Mon 21<sup>st</sup> Sept 2026 The Historic Houses & Heritage & Gardens of Cheshire & the Welsh Borders

The Friends of Rochester Cathedral are organising a short break visiting the historic houses, heritage and gardens of Cheshire and the Welsh borders. Further information and the booking form can be found via the link below. Use booking code: **frc261**

<https://www.tailored-travel.co.uk/friendsfrochester cathedral cheshire 2026>

If you would prefer a paper copy of the booking form, please telephone 01634 832142 or email [friendsfrochester cathedral@btinternet.com](mailto:friendsfrochester cathedral@btinternet.com)

**Please note the deadline for booking is 30 April 2026**

## Our local Food Bank

The Church of the Good Shepherd, Borough Green operates a weekly food bank, offering support to local families and individuals who cannot afford the essentials in life. Donations of non-perishable goods can be left in the boxes at the back of St Peter's Church or St George's Church or taken directly to COGS.

They would also be pleased to receive donations of unopened toiletries. They are not able to accept any homemade foods.

Thank you for your generosity which continues to make a difference.

**General stocks are very low at the moment so please support the foodbank if you can**

FOOD BANK 9/2/26	
Biscuits	LOW
Pasta Sauce	LOW
Pasta	LOW
Rice, Spaghetti, Noodles	LOW
Coffee, Tea, Hot Choc	V. LOW
Breakfast Bars	LOW
Cereal	LOW
Puddings / Tinned fruit	OK
Soup	LOW
Tinned meat products	V. LOW
Tinned Tomatoes	LOW
Baked Beans	LOW
Long life Milk	LOW
Cartons of juice / squash	LOW
Sweetcorn	V. LOW
Other tinned Veg	LOW
Tuna & other tinned fish	V. LOW
Spag Hoops/ Mac Cheese	LOW
Crisps	LOW
Chick Peas, lentils etc	LOW
MARMITE/PEANUT BUTTER:	LOW
SAM	LOW
BAGS	LOW

## Benefice Contacts

**Rector:** Benefice in Vacancy

**Safeguarding Lead:** Finn Lawson 07796 783013 [safeguarding@ighthamchurch.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@ighthamchurch.org.uk)

**Benefice Administrator:** Jane 07940 547310

[admin@ighthamchurch.org.uk](mailto:admin@ighthamchurch.org.uk) or [administrator@wrothamchurch.org](mailto:administrator@wrothamchurch.org)

Benefice Office: 9am – 1pm Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays

### St Peter's Ightham Contacts

#### Churchwarden

Naomi Webster: 07421 832919

[churchwardens@ighthamchurch.org.uk](mailto:churchwardens@ighthamchurch.org.uk)

#### Lay Ministers:

John Webster: 01732 884819

E: [llm@ighthamchurch.org.uk](mailto:llm@ighthamchurch.org.uk)

Michelle Lawson: 01634 240598

### St George's Wrotham Contacts

#### Churchwarden

Trish Bradshaw: 01732 885326

[churchwardens@wrothamchurch.org](mailto:churchwardens@wrothamchurch.org)

**Pastoral Help:** Linda 01732 369737

#### Friends of St George's:

[friends@wrothamchurch.org](mailto:friends@wrothamchurch.org)

## Regular Activities in the Benefice

### Mondays

**Prayer Group via Zoom** Every Monday 6:45pm **except Bank holidays**. This group meets online to pray for the world, the parish and wider community. If you have a prayer request, please telephone Linda on T: 01732 369737 M: 07790 464789 or send an email to [prayer@wrothamchurch.org](mailto:prayer@wrothamchurch.org) Also contact her if you wish to be added to the email 'prayer circle.'

### Tuesdays

**St George's Charity coffee morning** Tuesdays 10:30am – 12:30pm in **St George's Church, Wrotham**. Homemade cakes, hot drinks and friendly chat. Funds raised are divided between our nominated charity and St George's projects & maintenance - **Our charity for February is Spadework**

### Wednesdays

**St Peter's Community Coffee Shop** Wednesdays 10:15am – 11.45am in the **Church Centre, Ightham**. Homemade cakes, fresh coffee and good company. Raising money for charity and St Peter's – **Our charity for January & February is Spadework, and for March & April it is Babons**.

**Prayer & Praise via Zoom** 7:45pm on 1<sup>st</sup> Weds of the month. This group meets online for shared prayer and meditation.

**Connect Group via Zoom** 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wed 7:45pm - online home group & Bible study. For more info email John Webster [llm@ighthamchurch.org.uk](mailto:llm@ighthamchurch.org.uk)

### Thursdays

**Oasis** Weekly, Thursday mornings. Ladies fellowship group. For details please email Bridget at [oasis@ighthamchurch.org.uk](mailto:oasis@ighthamchurch.org.uk)

**Parent and Toddler Group** Thursdays 10am in St Peter's Church Centre, during term time. Offering friendly chat, toys for the children and a cup of tea. Contact: Kirsty Mitchem 01732 885072

### Saturdays

**Men's Breakfast** 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month 8:30am at the George and Dragon, Ightham. £13 per person. Booking essential. Email John [llm@ighthamchurch.org.uk](mailto:llm@ighthamchurch.org.uk) to register.

Next Breakfast will be **Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> March**

# WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

A service for everyone!

# Friday 6 March

*I will give you rest, come*

**Nigeria 2026**

**St Peter's Church Ightham**

**Friday 6th March**

**10am**

**Followed by refreshments**

**in the Church Centre**



**INFORMED PRAYER PRAYERFUL ACTION**

24-7 365 Days a year Prayer movement Ecumenical International Women-led

[wwdp.org.uk](http://wwdp.org.uk)

Registered Charity Number 233242

**Friends of St George's Church**

# QUIZ NIGHT



**This includes a 2-course meal, coffee or tea. Wine, beer and soft drinks will be available to purchase.**

**8 tables of 8 people available.**



**Saturday  
7 March, 2026**



**6:30pm for  
7:00pm start**



**Wrotham  
Village Hall**

**FIRST AND SECOND PRIZES AND A RAFFLE**

**TICKETS £15.00 P/P BOUGHT IN ADVANCE**

**Tickets from Diana Knox**

**01732 885172**



# Worried about high energy bills? Help is available

**Tuesday 17th March 2026**  
**9:30am - 12:30pm**

**at St George's Church, High Street, Wrotham, Kent.**  
**TN15 7AH**

**Drop-in and get practical energy advice  
from specialist energy advisers at  
Citizens Advice in North & West Kent.**



## **We will discuss:**

- Ways to reduce your energy usage and save money
- Helpful grants/schemes available from energy suppliers and fuel vouchers for prepayment meter clients
- Water advice and grants you can apply for to save money
- Risks of carbon monoxide and **FREE energy goody bag including a Carbon monoxide detector and more**



For free, independent, and impartial energy advice, contact:

**Energy number:**03332400429 (Mon - Fri, 9am to 5pm) | **Email:**energy@nwkent.cab.org.uk