

**St Peter's and Blessed Mary Churches
Sunday 24th May 2026
Pentecost**

st.peter's
bishop's waltham

blessed mary
upham



Dear All

I hope your week is going well. Here are this week's services:

St Peter's

8am BCP Service

9am Morning Worship

10.30am Sunday Central with communion

Blessed Mary

11am Informal Service

6.30pm Choral Evensong

Please see below for the links to the other weekly prayer meetings
With my prayers

Revd James

*N.B. The Church Office will be closed from **midday next Friday 29th May** until **9am on Tuesday 16th June** as Sam is on holiday.*

Bible Verse: *"When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them."* Acts 2v1-4

CHURCH IN THE COMMUNITY DAY!

28th June

On the 4th or 5th Sunday in June (St Peter's Patronal Festival) we have in the past had a 'Rectory Lunch' in the Rectory Garden, which is a lovely thing to do together.

This year we thought we might try something a bit different in a couple of ways to be 'St Peter's out in the community':

8:30-11:30am – Church Outside - St Peter's Churchyard (details to come)

12noon onwards - Family Picnic – St Peter's Churchyard

(There could be a groups that joins in the Family Picnic taking place in BW Palace as part of the Festival £5 entry.....ticket availability permitting!)

It would be great if you put this Sunday in your diaries and make a plan to join in.

There will be an 8am service but no formal 9am or 10:30 am services.

More details will follow in due course.

Revd James



NOT LONG NOW! UPHAM CHURCH FETE
Saturday 27th June.



UPHAM CHURCH FETE
AT UPHAM RECREATION GROUND
Saturday 27th June
12-3.30pm

STALLS

Bottle Stall, Silent Auction,
Bric-a-Brac, Cakes, Tombola,
Toys, Nearly New Clothes,
Children's Games, Dog Show,
Fresh Produce, Book Stall,
Donkeys, Axe Throwing
and Grand Draw

ENTERTAINMENT

The Pinewood Trio, Country Dancing by
the children of Upham School and
Vintage Car Display

REFRESHMENTS TO INCLUDE

BBQ, LICENSED BAR AND PIMM'S STALL, TEA,
COFFEE, CAKE, ICECREAM AND MUCH MORE!



Latest News from Chris and Kesia Pain with OMF in Japan!

Click [here](#) to see their May Update

**Re-imagining St Peter's
Consultation Meetings**
St Peter's Church - Sunday 7th June 12:15pm and 4pm

As you will be aware, we have over the last few years carried out various work to re-imagine our wonderful church of St Peter's, so that it might become more of a 'hub' for a variety of worship and community activities, over every day of the week.

This re-imagining work has been in place now for a period of time and we would very much like to hear your thoughts and feelings so far and of 'what next?' In this regard, we are planning to hold two consultation meetings on Sunday 7th June at 12:15pm and 4pm

and hope that a good number might come along.

The key questions we would like to you to think about and give feedback on are:

Q1 What do you feel and think about the re-imagining so far?

Q2: What do you feel we should do next?

Q3: If you feel we should do more, what else do you think needs to be done?

By way of background to these meetings, it would be really good if you might have time to read the re-imagining document that the PCC have agreed which outlines our vision and values; work so far; and ideas we think would be good in a Phase 2. You can read this document here:

<https://www.stpetersbw.org.uk/Publisher/File.aspx?id=401648c>

We do hope you can come along.

Revd James - Rector

Paul Emmerson - Fabric

Liz Webb - Warden

Mandy Cawood - Warden

Important messages

Key to main South door/Clergy Vestry door

Following a review of procedures, there is a need to review the list of keyholders for the above so I should be grateful if you would email me on paul Emmerson46@gmail.com to let me know if you hold a key. Also, if you hold a key which you do **not** need, please also let me know. Thank you. Paul Emmerson

Surplus Portland Stone slabs

Following completion of the work on the flooring at the back of the North Nave, we have 12 surplus Portland Stone slabs which measure 400 mm x 600 mm and can be viewed in the Churchyard by the North wall. If you are interested in having some or all of these, please let me know, no reasonable offer refused!-they cost around £30 each originally. Thanks. Paul Emmerson 07901 842196/paul Emmerson46 @gmail.com

Prayers

R.I.P. Betty Barker

Please pray for the family and friends of Jack Farmer, Betty Barker and Pauline Powell.

We pray for all those whose names are written in our Book of Requests for Prayer.

Betty Barker's Thanksgiving Service will take place at St Peter's on Tuesday 2nd June at 2.30pm



Please also pray for the names of those who have asked for public prayer: Simon Haines, Jan Hayter, Sheila Boyes, Jackie Suter, 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:

A special belated prayer for a much-missed Mum Margaret Wort, who passed away on 24/04/1984

24/5/2014	Kenneth Sadd
25/5/2012	Ann Patricia Stanbrook
26/5/1989	Ernest Parry
26/5/1995	Samantha Evans
28/5/1990	Sidney George Tennent
30/5/2014	Gordon Belding

Something for Half Term!



SAVE THE DATE!
Saturday 19th September!



NEWS ON SARAH P

Thank you for your prayers and support for Sarah since she was hospitalised at the end of November last year.

She was able to get a temporary place in extra-supported housing in Winchester since February.

Then, last month, Sarah was able to move into a permanent flat there.

She is grateful for everyone's support and help. She is still joining us online at the moment and hopes to be able to come back to visit for a service at some point.

She would value prayers for settling into Winchester and finding an easily accessible church there.

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

Curdridge - 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 Chicken in white wine sauce

Tinned Ham

Pasta Sauce

Tinned Fruit

Prayer Meetings

Tuesday St Peter's Zoom 8am

(Bible Reading, Reflection and Open Prayer)

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/72781729786?pwd=bgeewDmcSbm9kzhsZaSwHxX8bmAji.1>

Meeting ID: 727 8172 9786

Passcode: mrB801

Thursday Zoom 8am

(Celtic based prayers)

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/71416398016?pwd=UbyiKmTc0HUgSPRiaaxHBH6s0aUuSC.1>

Meeting ID: 71416398016

Passcode: 7KyGsU

Please do come along to pray for our churches, communities and world:

The Week Ahead

What's on at Blessed Mary (All to be held in Church unless specified)

Sunday 24th May 10am Choir Practice
11am Informal Service
6.30pm Choral Evensong
Wednesday 27th 10am communion at the home of the Dunfords
7.30-9pm Bell ringing practice
Sunday 31st May 10am Choir Practice
(Trinity Sunday) 11am Matins

What's on at St Peter's (All to be held in Church unless specified)

Sunday 24th 8am BCP Service
9am Morning Worship
10.30am Sunday Central with Communion
Monday 25th 7-9pm Bell ringing practice
Tuesday 26th 8am Prayer with 'bible thought and open prayer'
(Zoom) Wednesday 27th 8.45am Morning Prayer
2-4pm Warm Space
Thursday 28th 8am Morning Prayer (Zoom)
10am BCP service
Friday 29th May 8.45am Morning Prayer
7-8.15pm Choir Practice
8.30pm-10.30pm Worship Band Practice
Sunday 31st 8am BCP Service
(Trinity Sunday) 9am Parish Communion
10.30am Sunday Central with Baptisms

This list only represents Christian services and events linked to worship at St Peter's and Blessed Mary
