



## Notices for the Parish of St. Peter's, Great Totham The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity 12<sup>th</sup> September 2021



We will be **decorating the church for harvest festival** on Friday 24th September from 9am If you can spare an hour to help it would be appreciated, we would also be grateful for produce, flowers, and greenery. Contact Sue ☎01621 891220

**Morning Prayer** will be on Facebook on Mondays and on YouTube on Wednesdays and Fridays both at 10:00 am. (Please note that due to unforeseen circumstances You Tube will only be on Wednesdays for the time being)

David Grove has completed his 6-hour **Organ Marathon** in aid of the Afghanistan and Haiti crisis and is still collecting money. Please leave your donation in the Red Cross bucket at the back of the church.

The **St. Peter's Choir** need more voices to sing when requested at weddings and funerals. We are trying to get a list of people we can call upon to boost our numbers. If you can sing and would like to help on these occasions, please let me know. Sue Keyes ☎01621 891220

**Bible Study Group** Wednesdays in The Honeywood 10.30am - 12.00noon - All welcome - speak to Paul for further details ☎01621 893153

**Edward Bear Playgroup.** Every Thursday 10:30 – 12:00noon. Currently there are 'Covid' restrictions so please contact Rosie Pollock (details in the Church Magazine) to arrange. (There will be no meetings during August)

**Knit & Natter** Fridays 10:00 - 12.30 in The Honeywood - please ring Sandra to book a place as these are limited. ☎01621 893153.

**St. Peter's 200 Club** - New members always welcome – Contact Roger ☎01621  
**Fun dog show/classic car show.** We will putting a hamper together again this year as a raffle prize at our Fun Dog Show/Classic Car Show and are asking if you would be able to donate items to this, please. The hamper will have a connection with Christmas but as some items will not be available in September, we would be grateful for other suggestions for alternative contents. Please write your name against the item/s you wish to donate to avoid duplication. Please hand any items to Karin, Mary, or Karin please. Thank you. Also, we would be grateful if you could make a cake/s for either refreshments and/or the cake stall please.

There are Book of Common Prayer **Communion Services** at **St. Nicholas Tolleshunt D'Arcy** 10:00am on Wednesdays, and at **All Saints Little Totham** 5:00pm on Saturdays. No need to book.

The **St. Peter's Church Guide** is available at the Church £4.00.  
**St. Peter's Website** may be found at <https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/6657>



The Church Rota will be distributed by e-mail each month. If you do not have e-mail facilities, please contact Karin ☎01621 891215 or Mary ☎01621 892885. St. Peter's Facebook page: St. Peter's Church-Great Totham.

**Bible Readings.** Please note that these will be e-mailed each week, to the readers shown in the Church Rota. They are also published on our website - <https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/6657>

**Notices:** If you wish to include any item on the weekly 'Notices' please contact Chris Munton E-Mail ✉ [cmunton@ukm.com](mailto:cmunton@ukm.com) ☎01621 891817 who also maintains the consolidated diary for the Church.

Church Extension and The Honeywood. Please inform him of ALL bookings to avoid the possibility of any conflicts.

Diocesan Safeguarding Team: ☎01245 294444

## St. Peter's Church, Great Totham 5th September to 2nd October 2021



05 September 2021	6	7	8	9	10	11
08:00 HOLY COMMUNION 10:00 MORNING SERVICE OF THE WORD AND SUNDAY CLUB 14:00 BAPTISM @ ST. PETERS 18:00 EVENSONG BY ZOOM ONLY	09:30 PRIVATE FUNCTION IN THE CHURCH EXTENSION 10:00 MORNING PRAYER ON FACEBOOK 17:00 RAINBOWS BY ZOOM ONLY	09:30 PRIVATE FUNCTION IN THE CHURCH EXTENSION	10:00 MORNING PRAYER ON YOU TUBE 10:30 BIBLE STUDY GROUP @ THE HONEYWOOD	10:30 EDWARD BEAR GROUP IN CHURCH EXTENSION	10:00 KNIT & NATTER IN THE HONEYWOOD 10:00 MORNING PRAYER ON YOU TUBE 13:00 INTERMENT OF ASHES @ ST. PETERS	12:00 WEDDING CEREMONY @ ST. PETERS
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### Collect

God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit upon your Church in the burning fire of your love: grant that your people may be fervent in the fellowship of the gospel that, always abiding in you, they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

### First Reading *Psalm 116. 1-8*

*Thanksgiving for Recovery from Illness*

<sup>1</sup>I love the Lord, because he has heard my voice and my supplications. <sup>2</sup>Because he inclined his ear to me, therefore I will call on him as long as I live. <sup>3</sup>The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me; I suffered distress and anguish. <sup>4</sup>Then I called on the name of the Lord: "O Lord, I pray, save my life!" <sup>5</sup>Gracious is the Lord, and righteous; our God is merciful. <sup>6</sup>The Lord protects the simple; when I was brought low, he saved me. <sup>7</sup>Return, O my soul, to your rest, for the Lord has dealt bountifully with you. <sup>8</sup>For you have delivered my soul from death, my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling.

### Second Reading *James 3. 1-12*

*Taming the Tongue*

<sup>1</sup>Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. <sup>2</sup>For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. <sup>3</sup>If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. <sup>4</sup>Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. <sup>5</sup>So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits. How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! <sup>6</sup>And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. <sup>7</sup>For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed

by the human species, <sup>8</sup>but no one can tame the tongue—a restless evil, full of deadly poison. <sup>9</sup>With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. <sup>10</sup>From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. <sup>11</sup>Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? <sup>12</sup>Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine yield fresh.

### Gospel *Mark 8. 27-end*

*Peter's Declaration about Jesus*

<sup>27</sup>Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" <sup>28</sup>And they answered him, "John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets." <sup>29</sup>He asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Messiah." <sup>30</sup>And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

*Jesus Foretells His Death and Resurrection*

<sup>31</sup>Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. <sup>32</sup>He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. <sup>33</sup>But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." <sup>34</sup>He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. <sup>35</sup>For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. <sup>36</sup>For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? <sup>37</sup>Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? <sup>38</sup>Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

*In your prayer's this week please include:*

Our 'Friendship Church' - Bragernes Kirke, Drammen, Norway.

Adam Billings, Keith Burrell, John Gladdish, Mike Gutsall, Pat Holland, Sylvia Huxtable, Dennis Macey, Nina Pearce, David Walker, Mick.