



**Bible Readings and Weekly Notices for the Parish of
St. Peter's, Great Totham
4th Sunday before Lent
Sunday 9th February 2025**



Diary for Week Commencing Monday 10th February 2025

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| Mon | 10 | 09:30 | Private Function in the Church Extension |
| Mon | 10 | 17:30 | Rainbows in the Church Extension |
| Tue | 11 | 09:30 | Private Function in the Church Extension |
| Wed | 12 | 10:00 | Baby Signage Group in the Church Extension |
| Wed | 12 | 10:30 | Bible Studies Group at The Honywood |
| Thu | 13 | 10:30 | 'Edward Bear' in the Church Extension |
| Fri | 14 | 10:00 | 'Knit & Natter' at The Honywood |
| Fri | 14 | 10:00 | Baby Signage Group in the Church Extension |
| Fri | 14 | 19:45 | Great Totham Bell Ringing Practice |
| Sun | 16 | 10:00 | Family Communion and Sunday Club |
| Sun | 16 | 18:00 | Evensong via 'Zoom' Contact Sue Godsmark |

Forthcoming events:

Sat 22 Feb 10:00 Coffee Morning @ The Honywood

DONATIONS

To donate to St Peter's Church: Scan the QR code;
make a BACS payment to St Peter's Church
(sort code 20-54-30, account number 20882739);
send a cheque (payable to 'St Peter's Church, Great Totham')
to 25 Eaton Way, CM9 8EE or use the link on our website:
www.achurchnearyou.com/church/6657/



Collect O God, you know us to be set in the midst of so many and great dangers, that by reason of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright: grant to us such strength and protection s may support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; hrough 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. **Amen.**

First and Second Readings per Service Sheet.



Gospel Luke 5. 1-11

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke
Glory to you, Oh Lord.

Jesus Calls the First Disciples

¹ Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, ² he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. ³ He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. ⁴ When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, 'Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch.' ⁵ Simon answered, 'Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets.' ⁶ When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. ⁷ So they signalled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. ⁸ But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, 'Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!' ⁹ For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; ¹⁰ and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, 'Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people.' ¹¹ When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Revised Standard Version, Anglicised (NRSVA)



Confirmation Classes in the Blackwater Benefice

Revd Andrew Vince and his team will be running Confirmation Classes after Easter, using the book Faith Confirmed (Preparing for Confirmation). If you are interested in taking this next step in your faith journey, or wish to discuss it further, please contact our Blackwater Benefice Administrator (Rosie) on office.blackwaterbenefice@gmail.com or 07908776750



St Peter's Church Electoral Roll 2025. Notice of preparation of a new roll.

The electoral roll lists the names of people entitled to vote at its AGM, on matters relating to the running of St. Peter's Church. Each year, this document is updated and amended as folk come and go. In a 6 year cycle, however, members of St. Peter's church, whose names appear on the electoral roll, must re-affirm their wish to be included on that list. To this end, it is necessary to apply or re-apply, subject to the normal qualifications for membership.

Forms are available at the back of the church.

In your prayer's this week please include:

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

Adam Billings, John Gladdish, Pat Holland, Nina Pearce, Peter Roast, Jeanne Shrimpton.

For those who have recently died and their families:

John Leaworthy.

Church Marmalade Making. As many will be aware church members regularly make Marmalade for sale at church functions. If you would like to help by donating a money box is available at the back of the church.

Karin Mann.



The Prayer for Peace in the World

Almighty God, from whom all thoughts of truth and peace proceed; kindle in the hearts of all people the true love of peace; and guide with your pure and peaceful wisdom those who take counsel for the nations of the earth; that in tranquillity your kingdom may go forward, till the earth is filled with the knowledge of thy love; through Jesus Christ our Lord, **Amen.**

Leading your church into growth - a prayer.

God of mission, who alone brings growth to your church, send your Holy Spirit to give vision to our planning, wisdom to our actions, joy to our worship, and power to our witness. Help our church to grow in numbers, in spiritual commitment to you, and in service to our local community, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

PARISH CONTACTS

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Notices: If you wish to include any item on the weekly 'Notices' please contact Chris Munton E-Mail ✉cmmunton@ukmm.com ☎01621 891817 who also maintains the consolidated diary for the Church, Church Extension and The Honywood.

Please inform ALL bookings to avoid the possibility of any conflicts.