



**Bible Readings and Weekly Notices for the
Parish of St. Peter's, Great Totham
Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity
Sunday 28th September 2025
Harvest Thanksgiving**



Diary for Week Commencing Monday 29th September 2025

Mon	29	09:30	Private Function in the Church Extension
Mon	29	17:30	'Rainbows' in the Church Extension
Tue	30	09:30	Private Function in the Church Extension
Wed	01	10:00	Baby Signage Group in the Church Extension
Wed	01	10:30	Bible Studies Group at the Honywood
Wed	01	19:30	Gt. Totham Community Choir in the Church Extension
Thu	02	10:30	Edward Bear Group in the Church Extension
Fri	03	10:00	'Knit and Natter' Group in the Honywood
Fri	03	10:00	Baby Signage Group in the Church Extension
Fri	03	10:30	Macmillan Coffee Morning at the Honywood
Fri	06	19:45	Great Totham Bell Ringing Practice
Sat	04	10:30	'Walking with Clive'
Sat	04	17:00	Bell Ringing at St. Peter's
Sun	05	10:00	Morning Service of the Word and Sunday Club
Sun	05	18:00	Evensong via 'Zoom' Contact Sue Godsmark

Forthcoming events:

Saturday 25 Oct 10:00 Coffee Morning at The Honywood
Saturday 06 Dec 11:00 Christmas Fayre 'Santa's Workshop'



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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. **Amen.**

First Reading Deuteronomy 26. 1-11

First Fruits and Tithes

¹When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, ² you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. ³ You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, 'Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us.' ⁴ When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, ⁵ you shall make this response before the Lord your God: 'A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. ⁶ When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labour on us, ⁷ we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. ⁸ The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; ⁹ and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. ¹⁰ So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me.' You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. ¹¹ Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

*This is the word of the Lord. - **Thanks be to God.***

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Second Reading *Philippians 4. 4-9*

⁴ Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. ⁵ Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. ⁶ Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷ And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. ⁸ Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. ⁹ Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

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Gospel *John 6. 25-35*

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to N

Glory to you, Oh Lord.

²⁵ When they found him on the other side of the lake, they said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?' ²⁶ Jesus answered them, 'Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves.' ²⁷ Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.' ²⁸ Then they said to him, 'What must we do to perform the works of God?' ²⁹ Jesus answered them, 'This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.' ³⁰ So they said to him, 'What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing?' ³¹ Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, "He gave them bread from heaven to eat." ³² Then Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. ³³ For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.' ³⁴ They said to him, 'Sir, give us this bread always.' ³⁵ Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.'

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

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Walking with Clive.

Clive, our local historian, will be leading a 2/3 mile circular walk around Great Totham North on Saturday October 4th. We will meet in The United Reformed Church car park at 10.30 am - number of walkers will be limited to 30 so please contact Karin Mann on ☎01621 929866 if you are interested.

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.

In your prayer's this week please include:

Our 'Friendship Church' - Bragernes Kirke, Drammen, Norway.
John Gladdish, Nina Pearce, Peter Roast.

We're looking for a volunteer to act as our Parish Safeguarding Officer.
If you are interested:

Please contact Karen ☎01621-892122 or Helen ☎01621-891067.

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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.