

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.**

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.

**Bible Readings and Weekly Notices for the
Parish of St. Peter's, Great Totham.
Christ the King
Sunday 23rd November 2025**



Diary for Week Commencing Monday 24th November 2025

Mon	24	09:30	Private Function in the Church Extension
Mon	24	10:30	Mothers Union Diocesan A.G.M. Chelmsford
Mon	24	17:30	'Rainbows' in the Church Extension
Tue	25	09:30	Private Function in the Church Extension
Wed	26	10:00	Baby Signage Group in the Church Extension
Wed	26	10:30	Bible Studies Group at the Honywood
Wed	26	19:30	Gt. Totham Community Choir in the Church Extension
Thu	27	10:30	Edward Bear Group in the Church Extension
Fri	28	10:00	'Knit and Natter' Group in the Honywood
Fri	28	10:00	Baby Signage Group in the Church Extension
Fri	28	19:45	Great Totham Bell Ringing Practice Sat
Sat	29	10:00	Coffee Morning at The Honywood
Sun	30	10:00	Benefice Service at St. Peter's, Goldhanger
Sun	30	18:00	Evensong via 'Zoom' Contact Sue Godsmark

Forthcoming events:

Sat	06	December	11:00	Christmas Fayre 'Elves Workshop'
Sun	14	December	10:00	Nativity Play
Sun	21	December	18:00	Nine Lessons and Carols
Wed	24	December	15:00	Christingles
Wed	24	December	17:00	Christingles
Thu	25	December	10:00	Christmas Day Service
Sat	24	January '26	10:00	Coffee Morning at The Honywood

DONATIONS

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Collect.

Eternal Father, whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord and King: keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Reading *Colossians 1. 11-20*

¹¹ May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully ¹² giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. ¹³ He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴ in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

The Supremacy of Christ

¹⁵ He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; ¹⁶ for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷ He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸ He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹ For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰ and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

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

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Gospel Mark 10. 13-16

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

Jesus Blesses Little Children

¹³ People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. ¹⁴ But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, 'Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. ¹⁵ Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.' ¹⁶ And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

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

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