

There are many people who undertake small tasks which help to run St Peter's. We now need some roles to be covered and would be very grateful you would consider doing this. Please speak to Karen ☎01621 892122 or Helen ☎01621 891067 for further details.

Compiling and maintaining the church and extension cleaning rotas.  
Joining either (or both) cleaning rotas (training given and all equipment provided)!

Serving refreshments after the 10am Sunday service (about once a month).  
Joining the rota of sides persons who 'meet and greet' people coming into church.

*In your prayers this week please include:*

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

*Those who have recently died and their families:* Peter Roast

**Parish Magazine** We currently need volunteers to help deliver the Parish Magazine in Maypole Road and Eaton Way ten times a year. If you can help (the rounds can be shared or split), please contact Helen on ☎01621 891067 or e-mail ✉parishmagazinetotham@yahoo.co.uk

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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. Easter Day Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2026



### Diary for Week Commencing Monday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2026

Mon 06 09:30 Private Function in the Church Extension – **Easter Break**  
Mon 06 17:30 'Rainbows' in the Church Extension – **Easter Break**  
Tue 07 09:30 Private Function in the Church Extension  
Wed 08 10:00 Baby Signage Group in the Church Extension  
Wed 08 10:30 Bible Studies Group at the Honywood  
Wed 08 19:30 Gt.Totham Community Choir in the Church Extension  
Thu 09 10:30 Edward Bear in the Church Extension – **Easter Break**  
Fri 10 10:00 'Knit and Natter' in the Honywood  
Fri 10 10:00 Baby Signage in the Church Extension  
Fri 10 19:45 Great Totham Bell Ringing Practice  
Sat 11 10:30 Essex Association of Change Ringers at S. Peter's  
Sat 11 13:00 Interment of Ashes at St. Peter's  
Sat 11 14:00 Essex Association of Change Ringers at S. Peter's  
Sun 12 10:00 Morning Service of the Word and Sunday Club  
Sun 29 18:00 Evensong via 'Zoom' Contact Sue Godsmark

### Forthcoming events:

Sat 25 Apl 10:00 Coffee Morning in The Honywood  
Sun 03 May 10:00 Church Annual Meeting and Report

### DONATIONS

To donate to St Peter's Church: Scan the QR code; make a BACS payment to St Peter's Church Great Totham (sort code 20-54-30, account number 20882739), send a cheque (payable to 'St Peter's Church, Great Totham') to 17 Goat Lodge Road CM9 8BU or use the link on our website:  
[www.achurchnearyou.com/church/6657](http://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/6657)



### Collect.

Lord of all life and power, who through the mighty resurrection of your Son overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him: grant that we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, may reign with him in glory; to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be praise and honour, glory and might, now and in all eternity. **Amen.**

### First Reading Jeremiah 31. 1-8

*The Joyful Return of the Exiles*

<sup>1</sup> At that time, says the Lord, I will be the God of all the families of Israel, and they shall be my people. <sup>2</sup> Thus says the Lord: The people who survived the sword found grace in the wilderness; when Israel sought for rest, <sup>3</sup> the Lord appeared to him from far away. I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you. <sup>4</sup> Again I will build you, and you shall be built, O virgin Israel! Again you shall take your tambourines, and go forth in the dance of the merrymakers. <sup>5</sup> Again you shall plant vineyards on the mountains of Samaria; the planters shall plant, and shall enjoy the fruit. <sup>6</sup> For there shall be a day when sentinels will call in the hill country of Ephraim: 'Come, let us go up to Zion, to the Lord our God.'

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

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### Second Reading Acts 10. 34-43

*Gentiles Hear the Good News*

<sup>34</sup> Then Peter began to speak to them: 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, <sup>35</sup> but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. <sup>36</sup> You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. <sup>37</sup> That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: <sup>38</sup> how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. <sup>39</sup> We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; <sup>40</sup> but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear; <sup>41</sup> not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. <sup>42</sup> He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. →

→ <sup>43</sup> All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

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### Gospel John 20. 1-10

*Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to N.*

**Glory to you, Oh Lord.**

*The Resurrection of Jesus*

<sup>1</sup> Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. <sup>2</sup> So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.' <sup>3</sup> Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went towards the tomb. <sup>4</sup> The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. <sup>5</sup> He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. <sup>6</sup> Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, <sup>7</sup> and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. <sup>8</sup> Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; <sup>9</sup> for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. <sup>10</sup> Then the disciples returned to their homes.

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

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The March 100+ Club Draw winners are:  
1st Prize: James Bettley, 2nd Prize: Gerry Gunton,  
3rd Prize: Sue Lucas