



**Bible Readings and Weekly Notices for the
Parish of St. Peter's, Great Totham.
Second Sunday after Trinity
Sunday 14th June 2026**

Diary for Week Commencing Monday 15th June 2026

- Mon 15 09:30 Private Function in the Church Extension
Mon 15 17:30 'Rainbows' in the Church Extension
Tue 16 09:30 Private Function in the Church Extension
Wed 17 10:00 Baby Signage Group in the Church Extension
Wed 17 10:30 Bible Studies Group at the Honeywood
Wed 17 19:30 Gt. Totham Community Choir in the Church Extension
Thu 18 10:30 Edward Bear in the Church Extension
Fri 19 10:00 'Knit and Natter' in the Honeywood
Fri 19 10:00 Baby Signage in the Church Extension
Fri 19 19:45 Great Totham Bell Ringing Practice
Sun 21 10:00 Family Communion and Sunday Club
Sun 21 18:00 Evensong via 'Zoom' Contact Sue Godsmark

Forthcoming events:

- Sat 27 Jun 10:00 Coffee Morning in The Honeywood



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Collect.

Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth: send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you. Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Reading *Psalm 100*

A psalm. For giving grateful praise.

¹Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth. ²Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs. ³Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture. ⁴Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. ⁵For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

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

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Second Reading *Romans 5. 1-8*

Peace and Hope

¹Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ²through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of the glory of God. ³Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; ⁴perseverance, character; and character, hope. ⁵And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us. ⁶You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. ⁸But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

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Gospel Matthew 9.9-13 – 10.8

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Glory to you, Oh Lord

Jesus Questioned About Fasting

¹⁴ Then John's disciples came and asked him, "How is it that we and the Pharisees fast often, but your disciples do not fast?" ¹⁵ Jesus answered, "How can the guests of the bridegroom mourn while he is with them? The time will come when the bridegroom will be taken from them; then they will fast. ¹⁶ "No one sews a patch of unshrunk cloth on an old garment, for the patch will pull away from the garment, making the tear worse. ¹⁷ Neither do people pour new wine into old wineskins. If they do, the skins will burst; the wine will run out and the wineskins will be ruined. No, they pour new wine into new wineskins, and both are preserved."

Jesus Raises a Dead Girl and Heals a Sick Woman

¹⁸ While he was saying this, a synagogue leader came and knelt before him and said, "My daughter has just died. But come and put your hand on her, and she will live." ¹⁹ Jesus got up and went with him, and so did his disciples.

²⁰ Just then a woman who had been subject to bleeding for twelve years came up behind him and touched the edge of his cloak. ²¹ She said to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be healed." ²² Jesus turned and saw her. "Take heart, daughter," he said, "your faith has healed you." And the woman was healed at that moment. ²³ When Jesus entered the synagogue leader's house and saw the noisy crowd and people playing pipes, ²⁴ he said, "Go away. The girl is not dead but asleep." But they laughed at him. ²⁵ After the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took the girl by the hand, and she got up. ²⁶ News of this spread through all that region.

Jesus Heals the Blind and the Mute

²⁷ As Jesus went on from there, two blind men followed him, calling out, "Have mercy on us, Son of David!" ²⁸ When he had gone indoors, the blind men came to him, and he asked them, "Do you believe that I am able to do this?" "Yes, Lord," they replied. ²⁹ Then he touched their eyes and said, "According to your faith let it be done to you"; ³⁰ and their sight was restored. Jesus warned them sternly, "See that no one knows about this." ³¹ But they went out and spread the news about him all over that region. ³² While they were going out, a man who was demon-possessed and could not talk was brought to Jesus. ³³ And when the demon was driven out, the man who had been mute spoke. The crowd was amazed and said, "Nothing like this has ever been seen in Israel." ³⁴ But the Pharisees said, "It is by the prince of demons that he drives out demons."

The Workers Are Few

³⁵ Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and sickness. ³⁶ When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. ³⁷ Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. ³⁸ Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field."

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

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Request for Support at Baptisms

I have been supporting St. Peter's clergy at Baptisms for over 5 years and I am now finding it difficult to do this alone. So, this is a plea for someone to support me in welcoming families with babies, children and sometimes adults into the Church family. I would be good to have a team of us maybe 2 or 3. You do not have to be a member of the Mothers' Union as sometimes it is thought. Just someone who would like to help with bringing the wider community into our Church. Some baptisms take place on Saturdays as well as Sundays. I of course will support anyone who is interested. Please contact me on ☎01621 891315. With hopeful thanks June Eaton

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 prayer's this week please include:

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

John Gladdish, Andrew Marsden, Nina Pearce

Those who have recently died and their families:

Bob Herring

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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.