

**Bible Readings and Weekly Notices for the
Parish of St. Peter's, Great Totham.
Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity
6th September 2026**



Diary for Week Commencing Monday 7th September 2026

Mon 07 09:30 Private Function in the Church Extension
Mon 07 17:30 'Rainbows' in the Church Extension
Tue 08 09:30 Private Function in the Church Extension
Tue 08 12:30 Funeral Service at St. Peter's
Wed 09 10:00 Baby Signage in the Church Extension
Wed 09 10:30 Bible Studies Group at the Honywood
Wed 09 19:30 Gt.Totham Community Choir in the Church Extension
Thu 10 10:30 Edward Bear in the Church Extension
Fri 11 10:00 'Knit and Natter' in the Honywood
Fri 11 10:00 Baby Signage in the Church Extension
Fri 11 13:45 Mothers Union meeting in The Honywood
Fri 11 19:45 Great Totham Bell Ringing Practice
Sun 13 10:00 Pet's Service at St. Peter's
Sun 13 18:00 Evensong via 'Zoom' - Contact Sue Godsmark

Forthcoming events:

Sat 26 Sep 10:00 Coffee Morning in The Honywood
Sun 11 Oct 10:00 Harvest Festival



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Collect.

Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence: give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; 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 Psalm 119. 33-40

³³ Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes, and I will observe it to the end. ³⁴ Give me understanding, that I may keep your law and observe it with my whole heart. ³⁵ Lead me in the path of your commandments, for I delight in it. ³⁶ Turn my heart to your decrees, and not to selfish gain. ³⁷ Turn my eyes from looking at vanities; give me life in your ways. ³⁸ Confirm to your servant your promise, which is for those who fear you. ³⁹ Turn away the disgrace that I dread, for your ordinances are good. ⁴⁰ See, I have longed for your precepts; in your righteousness give me life.

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

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Second Reading Romans 13. 8-end

Love for One Another

⁸ Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. ⁹ The commandments, 'You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet'; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' ¹⁰ Love does no wrong to a neighbour; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

An Urgent Appeal

¹¹ Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; ¹² the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armour of light; ¹³ let us live honourably as in the day, not in revelling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarrelling and jealousy. ¹⁴ Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

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Gospel Matthew 16. 15-20

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

Glory to you, Oh Lord

Reproving Another Who Sins

¹⁵ 'If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. ¹⁶ But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. ¹⁷ If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax-collector. ¹⁸ Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. ¹⁹ Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. ²⁰ For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.'

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

The August 100+ Club draw winners are: 1st Prize: Sue Keyes, 2nd Prize: Isobel Doubleday, 3rd Prize: Brenda Keeble



**FANCY JOINING ME
FOR COFFEE
MORNING?**



**You are invited to come and join us for yummy
tea/coffee and cake at our**

Knit & Natter Coffee Morning

At The Honywood Hall, Great Totham

Friday 25th September at 10:30am – 12:30pm

Contact No. Sandra ☎01621 893153

In aid of Macmillan Cancer Support

Let's do whatever it takes to support people living with cancer.

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, Andrew Marsden, Nina Pearce

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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.