

**Bible Readings and Weekly Notices for the
Parish of St. Peter's, Great Totham.
Tenth Sunday after Trinity
9th August 2026 – Mothers Union Celebration**



Diary for Week Commencing Monday 10th August 2026

Mon 10 09:30 Private Function in the Church Extension
Mon 10 17:30 'Rainbows' in the Church Extension – **SUMMER BREAK**
Tue 11 09:30 Private Function in the Church Extension
Wed 12 10:00 Baby Signage in the Church Extension – **SUMMER BREAK**
Wed 12 10:30 Bible Studies Group at the Honywood – **SUMMER BREAK**
Wed 12 19:30 Gt. Totham Community Choir in the Church Extension
Thu 13 10:30 Edward Bear in the Church Extension – **SUMMER BREAK**
Fri 14 10:00 'Knit and Natter' in the Honywood – **SUMMER BREAK**
Fri 14 10:00 Baby Signage in the Church Extension – **SUMMER BREAK**
Fri 14 19:45 Great Totham Bell Ringing Practice
Sun 16 10:00 Family Communion and Baptism - **NO SUNDAY CLUB**
Sun 17 18:00 Evensong via 'Zoom' Contact Sue Godsmark

Forthcoming events:

Sat 29 Aug 10:00 Coffee Morning in The Honywood
Sun 13 Sep 10:00 Pet's Service at St. Peter's
Sun TBA 10:00 Harvest Festival



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Collect.

Let your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of your humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions ake them to ask such things as shall please you; 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 85.

Prayer for the Restoration of God's Favour.

To the leader. Of the Korahites. A Psalm.

¹ Lord, you were favourable to your land; you restored the fortunes of Jacob. ² You forgave the iniquity of your people; you pardoned all their sin. ³ You withdrew all your wrath; you turned from your hot anger. ⁴ Restore us again, O God of our salvation, and put away your indignation towards us. ⁵ Will you be angry with us for ever? Will you prolong your anger to all generations? ⁶ Will you not revive us again, so that your people may rejoice in you? ⁷ Show us your steadfast love, O Lord, and grant us your salvation. ⁸ Let me hear what God the Lord will speak, for he will speak peace to his people, to his faithful, to those who turn to him in their hearts. ⁹ Surely his salvation is at hand for those who fear him, that his glory may dwell in our land. ¹⁰ Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet; righteousness and peace will kiss each other. ¹¹ Faithfulness will spring up from the ground, and righteousness will look down from the sky. ¹² The Lord will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase. ¹³ Righteousness will go before him, and will make a path for his steps.

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

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Second Reading Romans 10. 5-15

Salvation Is for All

⁵ Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that 'the person who does these things will live by them.' ⁶ But the righteousness that comes from faith says, 'Do not say in your heart, "Who will ascend into heaven?"' (that is, to bring Christ down) ⁷ 'or "Who will descend into the abyss?"' (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). ⁸ But what does it say? 'The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart' (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); ⁹ because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰ For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. ¹¹ The scripture says, 'No one who believes in him will be put to shame.' ¹² For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. ¹³ For, 'Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.' ¹⁴ But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? ¹⁵ And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, 'How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!'

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Gospel Matthew 14. 22-33

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

Glory to you, Oh Lord

Jesus Walks on the Water

²² Immediately he made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. ²³ And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, ²⁴ but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. ²⁵ And early in the morning he came walking towards them on the lake. ²⁶ But when the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified, saying, 'It is a ghost!' And they cried out in fear. ²⁷ But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, 'Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.' ²⁸ Peter answered him, 'Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.' ²⁹ He said, 'Come.' So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came towards Jesus. ³⁰ But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, 'Lord, save me!' ³¹ Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, 'You of little faith, why did you doubt?' ³² When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. ³³ And those in the boat worshipped him, saying, 'Truly you are the Son of God.'

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

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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.