



# Notices from St Peter's

Week beginning  
**SUNDAY 21<sup>st</sup> January 2024**  
**THE THIRD Sunday of EPIPHANY**



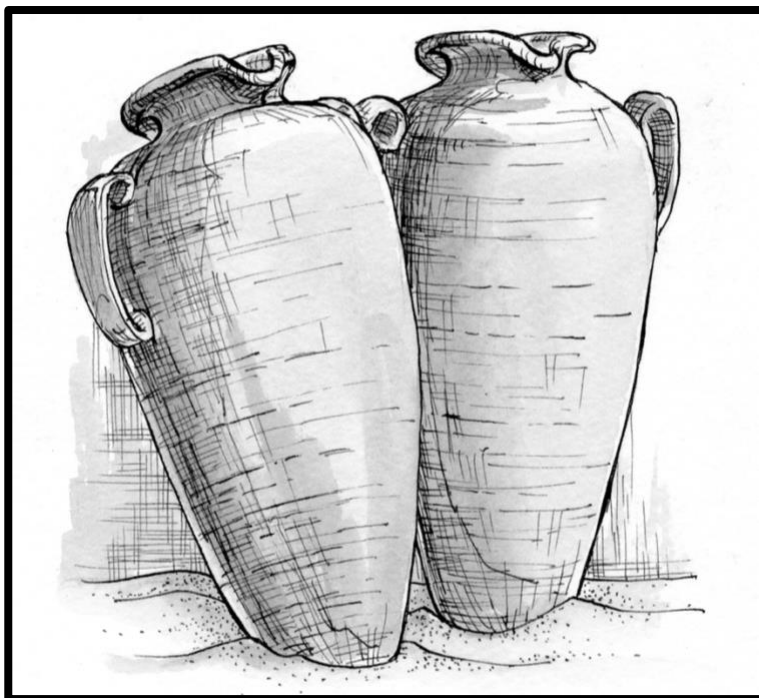
**Worship at St Peter's this week:**

**Sun 21<sup>st</sup> January 10am Morning Worship**  
followed by a short service of Holy Communion

**Weds 24<sup>th</sup> January 9.15am Holy Communion (NS)**

**Services will be streamed through YouTube, unless stated otherwise (NS) (links will be sent out).**

**Recorded services will be available to watch on YouTube or through ACNY.**



## Welcome to St Peter's

After the service this Sunday we will be doing the RSPB Garden Bird Count in the Church Yard – please do come along and help if you would like – wrap up warm!



## **This Church welcomes Assistance Dogs.**

**If you have a Disability that impedes your experience of worship in this church, please do speak to one of the Wardens or Ministry Team and we will do all we can to mitigate the issue.**

**Vicar: Vacancy**

**Church website: [www.achurchnearyou.co.uk](http://www.achurchnearyou.co.uk)**

**Email: [stpeterschurchchellaston@gmail.com](mailto:stpeterschurchchellaston@gmail.com)**

**Church Hall: [stpeterschurchhallchellaston@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:stpeterschurchhallchellaston@hotmail.co.uk)**

# Giving at St Peter's

Collections will not be taken during this service. Donations can be made in the following ways:

- Plate by the door
- Yellow Envelopes (Gift Aid)
- QR Code by code
- CollecTin Machine by card

## CHELLASTON LIBRARY WARM SPACE



Chellaston Library  
Every Tuesday 10.00am – 1.00pm  
Come and join us for free tea and biscuits and a chat

**Coffee Morning: every Wednesday: 10.30am – 12.30pm in the Church Hall** 

## Cake and Company/ Craft / Knitting Group

Cake and Company, Craft and a Cuppa and the knitting Group meet each month on the first Wednesday of the month in the church hall, 2pm – 3.30pm.

**Could you make a cake for Cake and Company? Speak to Rachel, Norma or Alison.**



**Next session: Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February**



## Blue Door Family - Children's Work

Blue Door Gang meet on the third Sunday of the month –  
**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2024**

All-Together Worship is held on the first Sunday of the month at 10am in the church hall. Breakfast is served at 9.15am in the hall before the service on this Sunday.

**Next ATW Service: Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> February**

**Candlemas and Christingles!**

St Peter's Poppets for pre-school age children and their carers meets on the first Monday of the month – 1.30pm – 3pm in the Church Hall.

**Next session is on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February.**

## Susannah Wesley House

**Items needed at the moment: Men's toiletries/ clothes and rucksacks as people rarely have a bag to carry bits and bobs in. Also urgently required: shoes and winter clothes.**

**Bible Study meets at 7.30pm on Wednesday evenings at Rachel's home. Next session is on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> January – we are currently reflecting on The Acts of the Apostles – this week: Chapter 8.**



**Prayer Group will meet on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> January. If you have anything you would like us to pray for specifically, please let Rachel know by Wednesday evening.**



## Foodbank:

# CORE FOOD *Items*

## ITEMS *Needed*

PLEASE DO NOT DONATE GLASS JARS

- CEREAL
- UHT MILK
- TINNED SOUP
- TINNED BEANS
- NOODLES
- TINNED SPAGHETTI
- TINNED HOT & COLD MEAT
- TINNED TUNA
- RICE 500G OR 1KG



- PASTA 500G OR 1KG
- CHAPATI FLOUR
- TINNED POTATOES
- TINNED VEGETABLES
- TINNED TOMATOES
- COOKING OIL
- KIDNEY BEANS
- LENTILS
- TINNED HALAL PRODUCTS



- POT NOODLES
- COOKING SAUCES (PACKETS ONLY)
- TINNED FRUIT
- TINNED RICE PUDDING
- JAMS
- SPREADS
- BISCUITS
- TEA & COFFEE
- JUICE & SQUASH





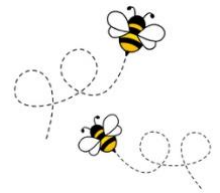
**The next Churches Together event will be a gathering of Christians living and worshipping in Chellaston on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2024 at 3pm in the Church Hall.**

This is an exciting gathering, and we will be hosting people from other churches - it is important to know and meet with other Christians living and worshipping in Chellaston. It would be brilliant to have as many people as possible from St Peter's!

Can you help with the catering – if so, please speak to Rachel: St Peter's usually make sandwiches.

## **Green Group**

The Green Group are holding a 'Bee' Drive (like a Beetle Drive but with bees!) to retrospectively raise some money to cover some of the costs of having the bees removed from the front of the church hall last year. The cost of doing this work was almost £2000 as we felt it was important to do this in a way that caused least harm to the bees which are such a vital and threatened part of our eco-system. The Bee Drive will be on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> March at 6.30pm – tickets are £7 for adults, children are free. There will be a supper of curry/ hot pot – vegetarian options available and honey themed puddings, a raffle, and a stall with craft items. Prizes for highest and lowest scoring adult and child + best 'bee' designs! There will be little pop quizzes during the evening. To purchase tickets please email: [stpeterschurchchellaston@gmail.com](mailto:stpeterschurchchellaston@gmail.com).



In other exciting news Chellaston is entering 'In bloom' this year and the church have been asked to be a part of this. Chellaston Residents Association have already been and made a start on sorting out some of the borders round the church. Do you grow bee friendly plants that you'd be happy to take cuttings from and bring on for planting? Please let Helen Keep know. We will be arranging a time to plant the borders up at some point too – so help would be welcome then!

We are also planning a seedling exchange! Most of us generally end up with far too many seedlings which we have to thin out – vegetables and flowers! If this is you, think about potting on and bringing along to exchange/ give to others. If you have spare seeds that you are unlikely to



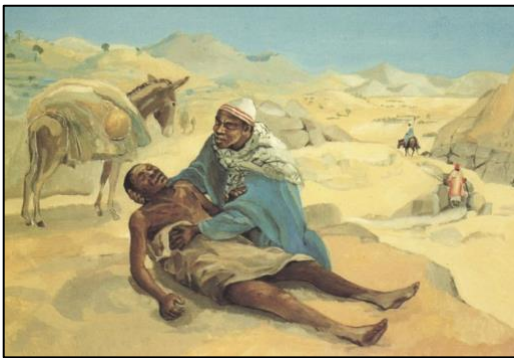
use – bring those along too. We will advertise the date shortly – early May-time.

The Green Group collected for donations towards the cost of planting a tree in the Community Orchard on the Nature Reserve. We raised enough to plant two trees. The planting will take place on Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> January and we are all warmly invited to attend – time to be confirmed. Please put this date in your diary and come along if you are able. We are also excited to find out which variety of trees will be planted!

## Plastic Tubs

Amanda is collecting Roses/ Quality Street/ Jacob Crackers tubs. She will take these to a local Greene King Pub for recycling. She needs any tubs by 4<sup>th</sup> February please.

## Week of Prayer for Christian Unity



WoPfcU takes place this year between 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> January. There is a booklet available to download if you would like to join in. <https://ctbi.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/WPCU-2024-English-pamphlet-Final.pdf.pagespeed.ce.blzU36L9TX.pdf>

The material this year uses the well-known story of the Good Samaritan as its basis with the question, 'who is my neighbour?' and the message of 'go and do likewise' at its heart. Written by Christians in Burkina Faso, where the people of that country are currently experiencing a security crisis, which is affecting all faith communities, the theme to 'love your neighbour as yourself' is as apposite there as it is around the rest of the world at this time.

In this Week of Prayer for Christian Unity the Church is being challenged to stop and tend to the wounded and, in so doing, to recognise our own wounds as churches and as communities. Facing the reality of our own brokenness helps to connect us to the suffering of others from a place of humility and deep empathy, creating a sacred space of encounter inspired by Christ's healing love.

## Lent Groups

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| Tuesday 20.2, 27.2, 5.3, 12.3, 19.3   | 7pm     | White House Farm<br>Led by Lesley                                |
| Wednesday 21.2, 28.2, 6.3, 13.3, 20.3 | 10.30am | 2 David's Close<br>Led by Dorothy Robinson                       |
| Wednesday 21.2, 28.2, 6.3, 13.3, 20.3 | 7pm     | Willow Cottage,<br>Barrow Lane,<br>Swarkestone.<br>Led by Rachel |
| Thursday 22.2, 29.2, 7.3, 14.3, 21.3  | 1.30pm  | 112 Derby Road<br>Led by Alison                                  |

Sign-up sheet in church. Please do consider joining one of the groups.

## HOLYHABITS

Whole-church discipleship approach



Acts 2:42-47

**Eating Together**  
**Serving**  
**Fellowship**  
**Breaking Bread**  
**Worship**

**Prayer**  
**Making More Disciples**  
**Biblical Teaching**  
**Gladness and Generosity**  
**Sharing Resources**

## The Holy Habits Prayer

Gracious and ever-loving God, we offer our lives to you. Help us always to be open to your Spirit in our thoughts and feelings and actions. Support us as we seek to learn more about those habits of the Christian life which, as we practice them, will form in us the character of Jesus by establishing us in the way of faith, hope and love. Amen

## Readings for the Week:

### The Third Sunday of Epiphany

**Psalm 128**

**Genesis 14.17-20**

**Revelation 19.6-10**

**John 2.1-11**



## Bluebell Services

Please do join us for a short service (usually HC) at Bluebell Nursing Home. The service starts at 2.30pm on the following dates:  
January 31<sup>st</sup>, February 28<sup>th</sup>,  
March 27<sup>th</sup>, April 24<sup>th</sup>, May 22<sup>nd</sup>,  
June 26<sup>th</sup>.

For further information speak to  
Alison Henshaw.



# Prayer Pages



Praying for Chellaston:

**Sinfin Moor Lane (Royal Park side), Drummond Way,  
Skippers Close, Bluebell Nursing Home**

**For our Prayers this week:**



**Red Prayers:** Patricia Bowers, Lucy, Jane, Lin, Josef, Norma and Brian Harding, Darren Mason, Jane Fox, Colin Mason, Pauline Sells, John Edwards, Alan, Margot, Stacey

**Amber Prayers:** Mike Curtis, Mark Whiteman, Val Mason, Andrew Mason, Carolyn

**Green Prayers:** Phil Hewitt, Jean and Richard Lewis, Lexie,

**We pray for those who have died:** Glenys Redfern,

Alan Stanbury, Joan Hinds, Anthony Poole

**Thanksgivings:** We give thanks for the chance to pray together for Christian Unity

**In our Prayers:** we pray that the world's leaders may strive towards peace between all nations

**Prayer Wheel:**

|                         |             |
|-------------------------|-------------|
| Rachel Harrison         | 07732337717 |
| Helen Keep              | 704251      |
| Queenie Adams           | 705194      |
| Tim and Amanda Sandland | 690126      |
| Lynda Lewis             | 705042      |
| Lesley Nelson           | 793171      |
| Val Smith               | 704203      |
| Alison Henshaw          | 863182      |

**Begin a prayer wheel anywhere on the list for immediate and urgent prayer. If you have any problems with the Prayer Wheel going round please speak to Rachel**

**Prayer of the Week:**

Lord Jesus Christ, remind us afresh today of your transforming power, your ability to make something ordinary and turn into something special. Take, then, our worship, and, by your Spirit, make it into something beautiful to you, bringing glory and stirring again our hearts within us. Take our lives and by your Spirit once more create us anew, so that our lives will speak not of our weakness but of your saving love and gracious power, to the glory of your name. Amen.

## LECTIONARY READINGS FOR THE WEEK

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| Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> January                                | Psalm 108<br>Genesis 11.27-12.9<br>Matthew 26.1-16 |
| Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> January                               | Psalm 36<br>Genesis 13.2-end<br>Matthew 26.17-35   |
| Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> January                             | Psalm 45<br>Genesis 14<br>Matthew 26.36-46         |
| Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> January<br><b>Conversion of Paul</b> | Psalm 66<br>Ezekiel 3.22-end<br>Philippians 3.1-14 |
| Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> January                                | Psalm 65<br>Genesis 16<br>Matthew 26.57-end        |
| Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup> January                              | Psalm 68<br>Genesis 17.1-22<br>Matthew 27.1-10     |

### Next Sunday: 28<sup>th</sup> January Epiphany 4

10am Holy Communion  
3pm CTiC Service and gathering  
followed by tea

Readings: Deuteronomy 18.15-20  
Revelation 12.1-5a  
Mark 1.21-28



### Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> January

9.15am Holy Communion  
10.30am Coffee Morning  
7.30pm Bible Study

**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> January**  
6.30pm Prayer Group

### Holy Habits

This week we are practicing the Holy Habits of Biblical Teaching, Prayer, Worship, Breaking Bread, Fellowship, and Gladness and Generosity

