



The Parish of St. Peter, Bushey Heath August 2025



From the vicar

It was a great pleasure to be able to welcome the new Bishop of Richborough to St. Peter's on 6th July and especially joyful to be present as he confirmed three of our regular worshippers. It is a sign of hope that people want to make this sacramental commitment and become communicant members of the Church.

The catholic movement in the Church of England witnesses to the beauty of holiness, the centrality of the sacramental life and the importance of truth. This movement has played a significant part in the life of St. Peter's for many years now through the incumbencies of Canon George Austin, Father Robbie Low, Father Stuart Seaton and into the present. Since the ordination of women to the priesthood in 1994 this has been made possible through the provision made for orthodox parishes to have a bishop whose orders can be recognised throughout the Church of England. At St. Peter's we have been privileged to enjoy the ministry of successive bishops of Richborough, latterly Bishop Norman Banks and currently Bishop Luke Irvine-Capel.

Over the years the movement for orthodoxy has been supported by Forward in Faith, a body to which we are affiliated at St. Peter's. It provides the legal, financial and charitable backing for the Society under the Patronage of St. Wilfrid and St. Hilda (The Society) which is the ecclesial body for those who seek to maintain the orthodox catholic life and witness of the Church of England. It supports and resources those of us who do not wish to see our church drift towards liberalism and relativism, but wish instead to maintain the faith of the Apostles for our good and the good of future generations.

A number of us at St. Peter's are members of Forward in Faith and support the work of the Society. It would be great if there were many more. Find out more from me or by visiting <https://forwardinfaith.com/>

Forward in Faith: Supporting The Society.
Renewing the Church in the Historic Faith.

What we believe

- We are committed to the catholic faith as the Church of England received it, and to proclaiming it afresh in this generation.
- We uphold catholic order and the catholic doctrine of the Sacraments, and in particular the threefold ministry in historic succession, which the Church of England shares with the Church throughout the world and across the ages.
- We long for the visible unity of Christ's Church, and especially for communion between the Church of England and the rest of the Western Church.

See of Richborough

Mass of Stella Maris for Assumptiontide

Saturday 16th August, 12 noon at Portsmouth Cathedral

Bring your own picnic lunch

4.00pm Benediction at Holy Spirit, Southsea followed by Afternoon Tea

Further details from Father Andrew

PRAYER FOCUS

Please pray for all who are unsettled by current events. Remember especially those who lack moral judgement, those who despise their neighbour and those who do not have the grace and foresight afforded by faith in Jesus.

Continue to pray too for the peoples of the Near East, Ukraine and Russia that a lasting peace may be found in each area of conflict. Remember all those countries beset by blood-shed in different parts of the globe.

FOUR REASONS TO HAVE A CRUCIFIX AT HOME

(adapted from diocesan.com)

The saints have set an example for us: St. Catherine of Siena was known to look upon a crucifix for hours each day.

It reminds us not to run from our challenges and suffering.

It reminds us of Christ's victory over evil and strengthens us for battle.

Our homes are a place where the baptised and sanctified reside. They should reflect a prominent sign of Christ's sacrificial love: the Crucifix



From the diary...

Usual Sunday services: 8.00am Holy Communion; 9.30am Parish Mass

Sunday 27th July	Trinity 6
Wednesday 30 th July, 10.00am	Mass
Friday 1 st August, 7.00pm	Mass (St. Peter's Chains)
Sunday 3rd August	Trinity 7
Wednesday 6 th August, 10.00am	Mass (Transfiguration of Our Lord)
Friday 8 th August, 7.00pm	Mass (<i>St. Dominic, priest</i>)
Sunday 10th August	Trinity 8
Wednesday 13 th August, 10.00am	Mass
Friday 15 th August, 7.00pm	Mass
Sunday 17th August	Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Wednesday 20 th August, 10.00am	Mass (<i>St. Bernard, Abbot, Doctor</i>)
Friday 22 nd August, 7.00pm	Mass
Sunday 24th August	Trinity 10
Wednesday 27 th August, 10.00am	Mass
Friday 29 th August, 7.00pm	Mass (<i>Beheading of the Baptist</i>)
Sunday 31st August	Trinity 11
Wednesday 3 rd September, 10.00am	Mass (<i>St. Gregory, Pope, Doctor</i>)
Friday 5 th September, 7.00pm	Mass
Sunday 7th September	Trinity 12

From the registers

Confirmation by the Bishop of Richborough

6 th July	Emanuel Pinto
	Edson da Costa Pinto
	Brian Kearne



Red Trust Bushey invites you to join our
Volunteer Listening Team

Do you enjoy listening to people's stories? Are you a good listener? If so, we would love to chat with you about becoming a part of our volunteer listening team at Red Trust Bushey. Training would be given, and you would be working alongside our Pioneer & Community Lead.

For more information or an informal chat, contact: Sharon Fowler, RTB Pioneer & Community Lead. Email: sharon@redtrustbushey.org or Phone: 07484 802893

Contact details:

Vicar: Fr. Andrew Burton SSC, a priest of the Society. (020 8950 1424). Usual day off Monday.

Churchwardens: Mr. Simon Farley (020 8950 4073) and Mr. Tony Quinn (07786 332654)

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