

DIARY DETAILS

Sunday 25th June (Trinity 2)

9:45am Communion Service at St Botolph's
11:00am Patronal Festival Service at St Peter's
4:00pm Afternoon Strawberry Tea at the Vicarage
6:30pm Songs of Praise at St Peter's

Monday 26th June

4:00pm Playball in the Church Hall

Tuesday 27th June

12 noon Community Group in the Church Hall
no JRM Community Group this week
7:45pm Christianity Explored at 31 St Peter's Street

Wednesday 28th June

10:30am Communion Service at St Peter's

Thursday 29th June

8:00pm Community Group at 4 Bryanstone Mews

Sunday 2nd July (Trinity 3)

9:45am Morning Service at St Botolph's
11:00am Communion Service at St Peter's
6:30pm Joint Evening Service at Castle

The focus of each Community Group is as follows:

- * FFM: Faithful Friends Ministries (Tuesday lunchtimes)
- * JRM: Jericho Road Ministries (Tuesday evenings)
- * CFM: Children & Family Ministries (Thursday evenings)

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CHURCH NOTICES

St Peter's Gift Day. Today is our annual Gift Day, an opportunity for everyone who considers themselves a member of St Peter's to prayerfully reconsider their giving to support the church's work. For those who have prepared their Pledge Forms, please have your envelopes ready for the presentation of pledges towards the end of the service. *[If you've forgotten yours today, don't worry - please hand it to Mark or Richard as soon as you are able].* Thank you.

Afternoon Strawberry Tea. Mark & Lizzie would like to invite everyone at St Peter's to an Afternoon Strawberry Tea at the Vicarage this afternoon from 4pm. Everyone is welcome!

Songs of Praise. At 6:30pm this evening, we are holding a *Songs of Praise Service* to conclude our Patronal Festival. We welcome a number of visitors (including the Senior Padre from 16 Air Assault Brigade, one of our bellringing team at St Peter's, and a Churchwarden from St Botolph's) and will be singing some favourite hymns together. Do join us!

The Tuesday Lunchtime Community Group. This Community Group will meet in the Hall on 27th June at 12 noon, starting with a light lunch.

Sponsored Walk. Brian New is doing another walk to Harwich (to lunch with his son) on Saturday 15th July, again for St Botolph's Tower Fund, and would appreciate being sponsored. Thank you.

Redevelopment work: West Door and Gates. Please bear with us as the redevelopment work continues. Until the completion of the works, access to the church will only be possible through the south-west porch and the south 'disabled' entrance.

Any notices for inclusion should be emailed or posted to the Vicar's PA (see over for contact details) by 9:15am on Thursday. Thank you.

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A very warm welcome to St Peter's Church!

Our service this morning is led by Rev Mark Wallace. If you have any questions, please ask a member of the Welcoming Team or contact any of the people in the "Contact details" section at the back of this leaflet.

If you have younger children with you today, then please feel free to bring them to SPK (St Peter's Kids, for all those up to and including Year 6) in the Church Hall during the first hymn. If it's your first visit, we will ask you to complete a short Registration Form, but you are then welcome to leave your children in their groups and return to join us in the service. The children will be returned to church for the All-Age Zone towards the end of the service.

Thank you for joining us today.

Morning Service

Sunday 25th June 2017

The Patronal Festival of St Peter & Church Gift Day

WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

HYMN: "Jesus is Lord" - the cry that echoes

"Jesus is Lord" –
the cry that echoes through creation:
resplendent power, eternal Word, our Rock,
the Son of God,
the King whose glory fills the heavens,
yet bids us come to taste this living Bread.

[SPK & Creche leave for their groups]

"Jesus is Lord" –
whose voice sustains the stars and planets,
yet in His wisdom laid aside His crown,
Jesus the Man,
who washed our feet, who bore our suffering,
became a curse to bring salvation's plan.

"Jesus is Lord" –
the tomb is gloriously empty,
not even death could crush this King of love.
The price is paid,
the chains are loosed, and we're forgiven,
and we can run into the arms of God.

"Jesus is Lord" –
a shout of joy, a cry of anguish,
as He returns, and every knee bows low.
Then every eye
and every heart will see His glory,
the Judge of all will take His children home.

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CONFESSION

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

Psalm 51:17

Let us come to the Lord, who is full of compassion, and acknowledge our transgressions in penitence and faith.

Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we confess that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. In your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be; that we may do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.

May the God of love and power forgive us and free us from our sins, heal and strengthen us by his Spirit, and raise us to new life in Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

HYMN: Jesus Christ, I think upon your sacrifice

Jesus Christ, I think upon your sacrifice:
You became nothing, poured out to death.
Many times, I've wondered at your gift of life,
and I'm in that place once again,
yes, I'm in that place once again.
*And once again I look upon
the cross where You died,
I'm humbled by Your mercy and I'm broken inside.
Once again I thank you,
once again I pour out my life.*

Now you are exalted to the highest place,
King of the Heavens, where one day I'll bow;
but for now, I'll marvel at your saving grace,
and I'm full of praise once again
yes, I'm full of praise once again.
And once again...

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THE FIRST READING: Daniel 7 v 1-14
page 744-745 of the pew Bibles
read by Anne Kavanagh

At the end of the reading...
This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

A SONG OF THE REDEEMED: from Revelation 14

Behold, a great multitude
which no one could number —

From every nation,
from all tribes and peoples and tongues,
standing before the throne and the Lamb.

They were clothed in white robes
and had palms in their hands,
and they cried with a loud voice, saying,

'Salvation belongs to our God
who sits on the throne,
and to the Lamb.'

These are they
who have come out of the great tribulation,
**they have washed their robes and
made them white in the blood of the Lamb;**

Therefore they stand before the throne of God,
**whom they serve day and night
within the temple.**

And the One who sits upon the throne
will shelter them with his presence.

They shall never again feel hunger or thirst,
**the sun shall not strike them,
nor any scorching heat.**

For the Lamb at the heart of the throne
will be their Shepherd,

He will guide them to springs of living water,
**and God will wipe away every tear
from their eyes.**

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

THE SECOND READING: Daniel 7 v 15-28
page 745 of the pew Bibles
read by Peter Sawyer

At the end of the reading...
This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

HYMN: At your feet we fall

At your feet we fall, mighty risen Lord,
as we come before Your throne to worship You.
By Your Spirit's power, You now draw our hearts,
and we hear Your voice with triumph ringing clear.
*I am He that liveth, that liveth and was dead.
Behold I am alive for evermore.*

There we see You stand, mighty risen Lord,
clothed in garments pure and holy, shining bright.
Eyes of flashing fire, feet like burnished bronze,
and the sound of many waters is Your voice.
I am He that liveth...

Like the shining sun, in it's noonday strength,
we now see the glory of Your wondrous face.
Once that face was marred, but now You're glorified,
and Your words, like a two-edged sword,
have mighty power.
I am He that liveth...

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THE SERMON

preacher: Rev Mark Wallace

THE CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living
and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

HYMN: Through all the changing scenes of life

Through all the changing scenes of life
in trouble and in joy,
the praises of my God shall still
my heart and tongue employ.

O magnify the Lord with me,
with me exalt his name;
when in distress to him I called,
he to my rescue came.

The hosts of God encamp around
the dwellings of the just;
deliverance he affords to all
who on his succour trust.

O make but trial of his love:
experience will decide
how blest are they, and only they,
who in his truth confide.

Fear him, ye saints, and you will then
have nothing else to fear;
make you his service your delight,
your wants shall be his care.

To Father, Son and Holy Ghost,
the God whom we adore,
be glory as it was, is now,
and shall be evermore.

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THE PRAYERS

*** The Collect for the Festival of St Peter**

Almighty God, who inspired your apostle Saint Peter to confess Jesus as Christ and Son of the living God: build up your church upon this rock, that in unity and peace it may proclaim one truth and follow one Lord, your Son our Saviour Christ. **Amen.**

*** The Intercessions**

led by Sheila Lloyd

At the end of the prayers...

Gathering our prayers and praises into one,
as our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory
are yours now and for ever. Amen.**

**THE PRESENTATION OF GIFT DAY PLEDGES,
THE ALL-AGE ZONE,
& THE NOTICES**

HYMN: Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim

Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim,
and publish abroad his wonderful Name;
the Name all-victorious of Jesus extol:
his kingdom is glorious and rules over all.

God ruleth on high, almighty to save;
and still he is nigh: his presence we have.
The great congregation his triumph shall sing,
ascribing salvation to Jesus our King.

Salvation to God who sits on the throne!
Let all cry aloud, and honour the Son.
The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim,
fall down on their faces, and worship the Lamb.

Then let us adore, and give him his right:
All glory and power, all wisdom and might,
all honour and blessing, with angels above,
and thanks never ceasing and infinite love.

Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

THE CONCLUSION

**The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with us all evermore. Amen.**
