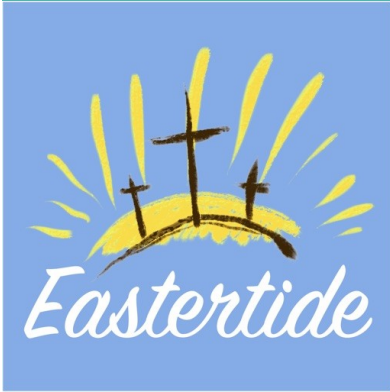


St. Peter's Church, Hershams



28th April 2024
The Fifth Sunday
of Easter

A very warm welcome to
St. Peter's Church

Today's readings:

First Reading: Acts 8:26-end


Second Testament: I John 4:7-end

Gospel: John 15:1-8

- 8 am Holy Communion
- 9 am Breakfast Praise in church. A short, fun and interactive service, in church for young families followed by refreshments.
- 10.15 am Our term-time, God and Friends (GAF) group for primary school aged children meet in the Women's Institute Hall to get to know God and each other while having fun! Games, craft, time to reflect on how our Christian faith affects our lives.
- 10.30 am Parish Communion

GLUTEN FREE WAFERS: If you require a gluten free wafer for communion please let the sides people know when you arrive and inform the priest when you get to the altar rail.

THIS WEEK: There will not be a pew sheet for Sunday 5th May because the Parish Office is closed this week - reopening Tuesday 7th May

Mon 29th	8 am 2.30 am	Morning Prayer Circle of Prayer (see notices)
Tues 30th	• 12:30 pm 6.45 pm 7.45 pm	Curate's day-off Lunchtime Home Group (see notices) Wedding rehearsal Bell ringers' practice. Anyone interested in learning to ring, please call David Mealor on (01932) 220439 or come up the tower before the 10.30am service on Sundays.
Wed 1st	10 am	Walton and Hersham Foodbank in church
Thurs 2nd	10 am  11 am 2 pm 7.30 pm	PRE-SCHOOL PRAISE: Come and join us in the Church Hall for action worship songs, a bible story and prayers, followed by refreshments and a chance for the adults to chat while the children play. All children of preschool age welcome – from newborns to 4 year olds! Our monthly Communion service (see notices) St. Peter's Fellowship AGM. Music Group rehearsal in church
Fri 3rd	•	Vicar's day-off
Sat 4th	1pm 3pm	Wedding of Jesse Kelly and Amy Gleeson Renewal of wedding vows for Zoe and Michael Duddy

NEXT SUNDAY: 5th May

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

8 am Holy Communion

9 am Breakfast Praise in church. A short, fun and interactive service, in church for young families followed by refreshments.

10.30 am Church Family Communion

12.30 pm Baptism of Alayah and Valencia-Marie

We hold in our prayers the family and friends of our dear friend and colleague **ADELA FODDY** who died on the 9th April. Adela was a Licenced Lay Minister in St Peter's Church for many years and was a loved and respected colleague and friend. Her funeral will be held at St. Peter's Church on Monday 13th May at 12 noon.



NOTICES

Come along to **CIRCLE OF PRAYER**: Monday 29th April at 2.30pm. A time of stillness where we share different ways of praying. Don't know how to pray? Find it difficult? Join us to discover that we often pray without knowing it; we try to make it too complicated! Last Monday of the month. Women's Institute Hall. About 40 minutes of stillness, followed by a cup of tea and a chat. Everyone is welcome! Speak to Katherine Ind if you require more details (contact details via the Parish Office 253452)

NEW LUNCHTIME HOME GROUP! We are very excited to announce that we have a new Tuesday Lunchtime Homegroup 12:30pm-1:45pm in the Church Hall beginning this week, Tuesday 30th April! Please bring a packed lunch. We will take it in turns to provide fruit and biscuits/cake. The sessions will begin with us eating together and getting to know each other followed by a short Bible study on the passage preached on the previous Sunday. Babies, Small Children and those of Retirement Age all very welcome! (We will use the Pre-School Praise toys to keep the small people entertained!) For further information and to sign up, please contact Sarah Dunn, our Children and Families Coordinator: sarahdunn@stpetershersham.com Dates for Home group: Tuesday 30th April, Tuesday 14th May, Tuesday 28th May, Tuesday 11th June, Tuesday 25th June, Tuesday 9th July

THURSDAY MORNING COMMUNION: You are welcome to church this Thursday, 2nd May for our monthly Communion service starting at 11am. This service will be held on the first Thursday of each month at 11am and coffee and biscuits will be enjoyed after the service should you wish to stay and catch up with friends.

NOTICES CONTINUED:

ST. PETER'S CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL is our church's register of electors. In the same way that being on the civic Electoral Roll allows you to vote in parliamentary and local elections, joining our Church Electoral Roll means that you can vote on Church matters, attend the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM - after the 10.30am service on Sunday 19th May) and stand for election to the PCC. Being on the Electoral Roll does NOT make you a "member" of the Church; simply regarding St. Peter's as your spiritual home does that. If you would like to have your name entered on the roll, please take a form from the back of church and return it to Sarah in the Parish Office (or put it in the Parish Office pigeon hole in church), no later than 4 May. You must be baptised, over 16 and have attended worship at St. Peter's for at least six months prior to enrolment. The current list is on the back table: if you're already on it you don't need to fill in another form.

SAVE THE DATE: We've a real treat in store for you later this year. As one of the world-leading gospel choirs, Gospel Touch have performed at St James' Palace for King Charles and Queen Camilla, at the Olympics Closing Ceremony, at the BAFTAs with Paloma Faith, on Songs of Praise at the BBC, in the Cadogan Hall and much more. Their repertoire spans traditional gospel music and vocal arrangements of feel-good pop and soul songs. Their motto is 'Touching Lives, One Song at a time' and we are delighted that they are coming to St. Peter's to sing in our beautiful church. Saturday 14 September at 7.30pm. Pop it in your diary and tell your family and friends. A full church will mean a successful fundraising event for us. See poster in church for more details.

Pray with us

God of mission, fill us with your Holy Spirit to show and share our faith and love in our community, and help us to grow as a church family. Amen

