

St. Peter's Church, Hersham

24th August 2025
10th Sunday after Trinity

A very warm welcome to
St. Peter's Church

Readings:

First Reading: **Jeremiah 1:4-10**

Second Reading: **Hebrews 12.18-end**

Gospel: **Luke 13.10-17**

8 am Holy Communion

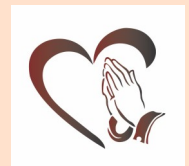
9 am Breakfast Praise in church. A short, fun and interactive service for young families followed by refreshments.

10.30 am Parish Communion

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

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



THIS WEEK: Parish Office closed - no news sheet for Sunday 31 August


Mon 25	2.30 pm	Circle of Prayer: Join us for a prayerful, peaceful afternoon of fellowship, where we typically reflect on a reading, talk about what it means to us and spend some time together in silent prayer. We finish with a cup of tea and a chat. We meet at 2:30pm - 3:45pm in the Women's Institute Hall on the last Monday of each month. Everyone is welcome!
Tue 26	7.45 pm	Bell ringers' practice: We really need some new ringers at St. Peter's and would like you to consider joining the team. Most people can learn to ring bells in the traditional way practiced at St Peter's and about 5,000 other Churches in the UK. Children from age 12 can easily be taught; there are as many female as male ringers. If you are interested in learning to ring please contact David Mealor on 07484 225951 or email mealors@btinternet.com
Wed 27	10 am	Walton and Hersham Foodbank in church
Thurs 28		
Fri 29		
Sat 30	11.30 am	Ashes of Patricia Moon being interred in The Lawn of Remembrance

NEXT SUNDAY: 31 AUGUST 2025

11th Sunday after Trinity

- 8 am Holy Communion
- 9 am Breakfast Praise in church (see page 1)
- 10.30 am Screen-based inter-generational Parish Communion. As part of this service please bring any items you would like us to bless as teachers and students return to school. Book bags, pencil cases, new diaries. Whatever is important to you as you return to school.

NOTICES: Vicar on leave Friday 5th to Monday 8th inclusive

Mon 1	10.30 am	Do come along to St. Peter's Coffee Morning at Hersham Centre for the Community, Queens Road. Everyone is welcome, regardless of age or gender so join us for a chat. First Monday of the month.
Tue 2	7.45 pm	Bell ringers' practice
Wed 3	10 am 8 pm	Walton and Hersham Foodbank in church Meeting of the Standing Committee
Thurs 4	11 am	You are welcome to church for our monthly Thursday Morning Communion service held on the first Thursday of each month. Coffee and biscuits will be enjoyed after the service should you wish to stay and catch up with friends.
	 2 pm	St. Peter's Fellowship resumes in the Women's Institute Hall when Peter Toth will be playing the piano. These afternoons with Peter are always very entertaining so do come along.
	7.30 pm	Music Group rehearsal
Fri 5	7.30 pm	Summer workshop rehearsal
Sat 6		

NEXT SUNDAY: 7 SEPTEMBER 2025

12th Sunday after Trinity

8 am Communion by Extension

9 am Breakfast Praise in church (see page 1)

10.30 am Communion by Extension

On the anniversary of their death, we give thanks for the lives of:

Gordon Weddell (September 1)

Roger Pryke (September 5)



NOTICES:



THE TRUE STORY OF ODETTE HALLOWES:

We're delighted to announce that A Little Green Leaf, an original, one-act play inspired by the true story of Odette Hallowes and her time as an Special Operations Executive agent and Holocaust survivor is coming to Whiteley Village. Tuesday 9 September 2025 at 7.30pm (doors open at 7pm), Whiteley Village Clubhouse and Village Hall.

Tickets approx. £25 bookable via the website

www.alittlegreenleaf.com

“A Little Green Leaf tells the story of Odette, not only as a spy but as a woman whose choices, guided by humanity and light in the face of unimaginable suffering, shaped her survival. Honoured with the George Cross for her bravery, Odette dedicated her post-war life to honouring the women whose stories could no longer be told. She helped establish the Woman of the Year Award and worked tirelessly to speak for her fallen comrades. Our hope is to share Odette's story with the world, sparking new conversations about the Holocaust, fascist oppression, and what "peace" truly means in today's world. With your support, A Little Green Leaf will give Odette's voice a platform, spreading light where peace and hope can grow.” The Community Café will be open before the show for drinks and light snacks.

GOSPEL TOUCH - TICKETS ARE SELLING

WELL: Last year's event was fantastic so we're thrilled that Gospel Touch are returning to St. Peter's Church for another of their joyous, heart-warming concerts: Saturday 22 November at 7.30pm. Pop it in your diary and tell your family and friends. **Tickets £15, under 16s £5**

Available from: John Cramp after the 10:30am service today or from Ticket Source (scan this QR code or on the poster at the back of church)



NOTICES:

TEA/COFFEE: If you would like to help provide this valuable opportunity for fellowship on future Sundays please shadow someone on the rota and they will show you what to do. You will then be able to sign-up and help share the task. There are a lot of gaps so please have a look at the rota and see when you might be able to help. Thank you

PLANNED GIVING: If you are not already in our planned giving scheme and you would like to join please scan this QR code. If each person who doesn't currently give regularly could commit to give just £20 per month (which is about the cost of a coffee a week), it would make a huge difference. Obviously the more you can give, the more difference it will make, but the most important thing is to give by standing order, or via the parish giving scheme, (details from the QR code) so we can plan for the future. If you are able to gift aid your donations, they are worth 25% more to us at no additional cost to you. Thank you.



ADVANCE NOTICE FOR TEENAGERS AND GOD (TAG):

Starting on Sunday 14 September our TAG group will split into two groups as follows:

For 11-14 year olds

Every 2nd Sunday of the month, we'll meet in Church for the 10.30am service, and during the second hymn we will go into the side room for some Bible study time. An extra social date will be arranged once a term.

For 15+ years

Every 2nd Sunday of the month, we'll be meeting for evening prayer and Bible study, fun games and fellowship between 5pm-7pm, forming a house group. Please contact debslock@yahoo.co.uk for details of venue.

LIFE GROUPS: As we continue to grow as a church, we pray that our congregation grows in fellowship, faith and spirituality as well as numerically. We aim to equip everyone as Christians during the whole week, not just on Sundays. Our small life groups meet regularly to eat, pray and study the bible. We use a simple method of looking at the sermon and bible passage of the week, so there's no homework and you don't have to be an expert. Everyone brings something to eat and we start by sharing a simple meal together. All that's required is a willingness to share, or explore your faith as we grow together in faith, spirituality and fellowship. If you would like to join a Life Group please sign-up on the sheet at the back of church and we will let you know about dates and venues. Or, if you haven't yet done the Bible Course and you would like to learn more about the bible you can sign up for our course starting on the 17th September. Details overleaf. You can sign-up on the sheet at the back of church, via the website or using the QR code on the poster in the news sheet.



SPIRITUALS: On Sunday 14 September at 10.30.am our music group will lead our worship with the 'Spirituals' they have been rehearsing during the summer workshop. This is sure to be a special service, so do put it in your diary. The collection this day will be going to Elmbridge CAN a community-based, volunteer

-powered charity located in Elmbridge. Their mission is to welcome and support people fleeing terror in their home countries, enabling them to build a new life in Britain. Please bring cash with you as we will have a bucket collection after the services. Thank you.

Are you curious to find out
more about the Bible?

YOU ARE INVITED TO

THE BIBLE COURSE

Exploring God's word one step at a time.

Join us at St. Peter's, Hersham on eight
Wednesday evenings 7.30 - 9pm as we
explore The Bible Course.

Find out more about the course at
biblesociety.org.uk/thebiblecourse

17th September
1st and 15th October
5th and 19th November
3rd December
14th and 28th January



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NOTICES CONTINUED:

TOTS PRAISE

FOR 0-4 YEAR OLDS AND THEIR
CARERS



AT ST. PETER'S CHURCH HALL
BURWOOD ROAD, HERSHAM KT12 4AA

THURSDAYS 10-11.30AM
during term time

STARTING 11TH SEPTEMBER



Free of Charge
and
no need to book!



Join us for
songs, stories, instruments
and refreshments

children@stpetershersham.com



A MESSAGE FROM MELISSA: As part of my role as Children and Families Minister at St. Peter's, Hersham I will be running Tots Praise every Thursday morning during term time starting on 11th September.

Thank you to those people who have come forward to help me get this group started in September. I am now particularly in need of people who can make and serve tea and coffee for the parents. I would like to have a rota in place so that I am not having to ask people to commit every week. The more volunteers I have on the rota, the more flexibility there is in making the rota work for everyone.

If you are available and willing to help (or give it a try!), I would love to hear from you. My email is children@stpetershersham.com or speak to me after the service. Thank you, Melissa.