

St. Peter's Church, Hersham

13th September: 15th Sunday after Trinity A very warm welcome to St. Peter's Church

Readings

Old Testament:	Genesis 1.1-3	OT 1
New Testament:	Romans 1.16-20	NT 148
Gospel:	Matthew 21.33-44	NT 22

8 am Holy Communion

9 am Family Praise in church. A fun, interactive service 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 Church Hall for games, craft, and time to reflect on how our Christian faith affects our lives.

10.30 am Parish Communion with Summer Workshop: Having launched our eco church programme and entered the season of Creationtide, our wonderful music group will be enhancing our worship with some exciting repertoire! Feeling the Heat, Psalm 24, Thankful, Music changes the World. Don't miss it, you are in for a real 'eco' treat!

10.30am TAG (Teenagers and God) for 11-14 year olds will meet in Church for the 10.30am service, and during the second hymn will go into the side room for some Bible study

4 pm Confirmation Preparation course for young people in the Women's Institute Hall

5.30 pm TAG for 15+ years will meet between 5-7pm for evening prayer, and Bible study, fellowship over sandwiches and games. 4 Crutchfield Road, Walton. For more details contact Deborah Lock 01932 703175.

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: Parish Office closed - reopening Monday 28 September. There will be no pew sheet on Sundays 20 and 27 September.

Mon 14	8 pm	SPAM at The Royal George - see notices
Tue 15	11 am 12.30 pm 7.45 pm	Funeral of Ivy Andrews in church Lunchtime Life Group meeting - Church Hall Bell ringers' practice. Anyone interested in learning to ring, please contact David Mealor on mealors@btinternet.com
Wed 16	10 am 10 am 8 pm	Community Café in church (see notices) Walton and Hersham Foodbank in church Meeting of the PCC in church
Thurs 17	10 am Tots Praise resumes today	 THURSDAYS 10-11.30AM during term time Join us for songs, stories, instruments and refreshments Free of Charge and no need to book! children@stpetershersham.com
	2 pm	St. Peter's Fellowship invite you to the Women's Institute Hall, 4 Burhill Road, Hersham where Peter Toth will play the piano for you. Refreshments served afterwards (see notices).
Fri 18	•	Vicar's day off / Curate's day off

NEXT SUNDAY: 20 SEPTEMBER

16th Sunday after Trinity

8 am	Holy Communion
9 am	Family Praise in church (see page 1)
10.15 am	God and Friends (GAF) (see page 1)
10.30 am	Parish Communion with Baptism of George
4 pm	Confirmation Preparation course for young people in the Women's Institute Hall

NOTICES:



ST PETER'S ACTIVE MEN'S ('SPAM') group meet each month for a social at a local pub. It's an informal gathering and is a good opportunity to get to know others involved with St Peter's. There is no set agenda and you can arrive and go whenever is convenient. The next social is on Monday 14 September at The Royal George (130 Hersham Road) arriving at any time from 8pm onwards and departing when you

want. You are very welcome to join us, so just come along on the day. And if you wish to discuss it beforehand then speak to Tony Skrzypecki who coordinates the group (tony.skrzypecki@outlook.com).

ST. PETER'S FELLOWSHIP invite you to an afternoon of music with pianist Peter Toth on Thursday 17 September at 2pm: A former pianist at a prestigious music and performing arts academy in the Czech Republic. Peter lived in Ostrava and for 20 years played piano for the ballet department at the Janacek Conservatoire for the Arts. Peter plays entirely from memory and is very entertaining. Come along for what promises to be an excellent afternoon of music. Bring your friends, everyone welcome.



ST PETER'S CHURCH COMMUNITY CAFÉ is open to everybody in the local community every Wednesday 10am to 12pm – the same day as the Walton and Hersham Foodbank. Run on a 'pay what you can if you can' basis, the café initially offers basic refreshments in a comfortable environment ... and we have exciting plans for further developments in the

future! Why not pay us a visit to enjoy a coffee and cake as well as a friendly chat? Bring a friend.

Companion (Dementia Support)

The House of Prayer in Molesey is seeking a kind, patient and compassionate female to provide companionship and day-to-day support for an elderly Religious Sister living with dementia. This is a rewarding opportunity to make a meaningful difference in someone's life by offering friendship, reassurance, and gentle assistance while respecting her dignity, faith, and lifelong vocation.

Part-time – 28 hours per week: Monday to Friday but may include some weekends, with the requirement to live-in for short periods as occasional night cover may be necessary. Opportunity for full-time live-in accommodation can be discussed.

For further information about the role please go to

www.christian-retreat.org/jobs or contact:

Kerryn Penson on Telephone: 020 8941 2313

or E-mail: kerryn@christian-retreat.org

Completed application forms should be returned by:

Friday 18 September, midday.

ST. PETER'S WEBSITE: WWW.STPETERSHERSHAM.COM

A great way to keep yourself (and your family and friends) updated with what's going on at St. Peter's is through our website. It's packed full of useful information so do go online and take a look. There are details of upcoming events, our services, groups and courses, plus previous news sheets should you want to catch up on anything you've missed. It really is a great way to let people know what we have to offer so do share the website address with people you know.

PLANNED GIVING: If you would like to support the work of our church 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. Thank you.



EVANGELISM HUB: Saturday 3rd October 10am – 1pm.

Evangelism is about ordinary people in their everyday lives sharing their faith in simple ways, and we would love to be able to empower everyone to do this. Come along to church on Saturday 3rd October to find out more in our evangelism hub, all are welcome to join us again, you don't have to have been before. This session will be from 10am – 1pm (refreshments served from 9.30am). It is an opportunity for us to learn, pray and have fellowship together in a friendly environment, as we consider our role as Christians in our lives outside church Monday to Saturday.

OUR HARVEST FESTIVAL will be on Sunday 4 October.

Last year, with the help of supporters like us, the Walton and Hersham Foodbank provided emergency food support to **3,096** adults and **2,372** children across our local community. To meet this need, they distributed more than **29** metric tonnes of food. Sadly, however, with the increasing costs of living especially in our borough, increasing numbers of people are struggling to make ends meet, and they are now supporting over **200** people each week across the Foodbank and Pantry. Harvest is one of the most important times of the year for food projects. It provides an opportunity to stock their shelves with the essentials that local people will need throughout the winter months. We will have a Harvest collection at our services on Sunday 4 October. Whether large or small, every donation makes a real difference, so please bring your contributions from the list overleaf to the services that day. Thank you.



easyfundraising

Easyfundraising - How you can help the Friends of St Peter's projects without

costing you a penny? You can help fund the Friends mural restoration project through your on-line spending and it is an easy way to raise funds without costing you. Easyfundraising, is the UK's biggest charity shopping site. Easyfundraising partners with over 8,000 brands (e.g. Marks and Spencer, Sainsburys, Tesco, British Airways, Tui, John Lewis, go compare to name a few) who will donate part of what you spend to a cause of your choice. It does not cost you anything, as the cost is covered by the brand. If you would like to help, please go to <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk>. Once you have registered an account, then you are able to select the causes you would like to support – to find us type in Hersham PCC. You should then be all set to go! So before you shop on-line go first to Easyfundraising and find the brand and go from there to the brands website and you can help the Friends' project through your purchases. There is also an app available which you can download from the Apple or Google play stores if that works better for you. Thanks for your support .

Harvest appeal



Help support our food projects this Harvest

In Harvest 2025 we distributed over 500kgs of food which supported 2,850 people, 1,164 were children.

Donate food



Donate items from our shopping list, ensuring we can provide food for people facing hardship in your community via the Foodbank and Pantry.



Donate money

Help to cover the costs of storing and distributing food.

Shopping list

Rice & instant noodles

Tinned tomatoes

Tinned spaghetti

Jam & peanut butter

Fruit juice (long life)

Ketchup & mayo

Puddings & custard

Shaving gel/ foam

Laundry pods

Cleaning sprays

Kitchen roll

waltonhersham.foodbank.org.uk



PRAYER MINISTRY: In our efforts to become a more prayerful church, if you came along to last month's meeting on prayer or are interested in praying with us for St Peter's, our community and the world please sign-up for the prayer ministry training we are planning. There is a sign-up sheet at the back of church.

Bishop's Prayer Network

Bishop Paul has made intentional prayer one of his three foci as our Acting Bishop and has invited all those willing to pray with him for our diocese to join the Bishop's Prayer Network. This will entail receiving a prayer bulletin every two months, invitations to pray online with Bishop Paul, should you so wish, six times a year and to join him in two half-nights of prayer.

All are welcome to join at:

www.cofeguildford.org.uk/prayernetwork



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.

