

St Peter's Church, Wrecclesham - Weekly News Sheet – 10th April 2022

Palm Sunday – 10th April 2022

Isaiah 50.4-9a; Psalm 31.9-16; Philippians 2.5-11; Luke 22.14-23.56

LINK FOR THE LIVESTREAM SERVICE - <https://cofewrecclesham.org.uk/streamed-services/>

Please click on the link from ten minutes beforehand and there will be the livestream link to take you to the service

President: Rev Jacqueline – **Preacher:** Rev Sandy (leading the Passion Gospel narration) – **Organist:** Tim

Hymns: Opening: All glory laud and honour (13) – Make Way Make Way(436) – Cm My song is love unknown (457, 1, 2, 3, 5, 6) – Final Hymn: Ride on, ride on in majesty (567)

The Collect for Palm Sunday

Almighty and everlasting God, who in your tender love towards the human race sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take upon him our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross: grant that we may follow the example of his patience and humility, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

UKRAINE - COLLECTION

THANK YOU - We have collected £396.50 and Pat has paid in a cheque directly to DEC Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal accordingly – at least we have been able to help in some way and our prayers continue..

LENT LUNCHESES – COLLECTION

Thank you to everyone who attended the lunches and to Ian & Pat, Rachel, Lyn, Stephanie & Susan and Kathryn who prepared and hosted the three sessions – we raised £101 which will be sent to the Bishop's Lent Appeal Community Fund

MESSY EASTER JOY & HOPE

Thank you to everyone who helped make Messy Easter such a wonderful afternoon – over 75 children and adults came along and enjoyed entering into the Easter story through activities, worship and sharing hospitality, conversation and tea-time together – well done Team Messy Church! Next session Sunday 22 May

EASTER GARDEN & EASTER TRAIL

Easter Trail – 1 or 1½ mile local walk – Well done team!

EASTER SERVICES

CAN ANYONE HELP with refreshments after the 10am Good Friday service, please?

Please let Jacqueline know – there is not usually too many people but we have a cuppa & hot cross buns

Holy Week - 8pm Monday – Wednesday

Rev Rachel will lead our reflection & Night Prayer – about 45 min

Maundy Thursday – 8pm Eucharist

with a vigil until 10pm that will remember the last meal Jesus had with his disciples.

Good Friday

10am - All Age service followed by hot cross buns

Farnham Walk of Witness – meet at Waitrose Car Park 11.45am

Final hour at the cross – 2-3pm – Readings, reflections & hymns led by Rev Sandy

Easter Day:

5.45am – Sunrise Service in the Vicarage garden – yes, it's before 6am!

8am - Holy Communion (BCP)

10am - Celebration Service for Easter (with communion)

(bring HATS bells, whistles and things to make a joyful noise!)

LAST CALL - EASTER LILIES DONATIONS in memory of loved ones

If you would like to contribute to the Easter Lilies in memory of a loved one, please kindly give donations to Chris Gray or Jacqueline –please let us know whose name you would like added to our roll call (or not if you would prefer)

NOTICE: ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING (APCM) – 11.15AM, SUNDAY 24TH APRIL

I have sent a separate email round to everyone with all the relevant papers and information – and there are some hard-copies available at the back of church for those without computer/printers etc. **It would be lovely for as many of us as possible to gather for this annual meeting – I do hope you are able to come along....**

COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS LIFTED – PLEASE NOTE:

Face coverings will not be compulsory, but a personal preference – we will keep the north aisle available for those who wish to continue to socially distance. Being mindful of keeping each other safe – observing personal space – hand sanitising & ventilation will help us keep things as covid-secure as possible

Morning Prayer on Zoom – Wednesdays at 9.30am (20 mins) –
please do give this a try if you can – it's a lovely space to take time to pause during the week...
<https://zoom.us/j/99052560006?pwd=RVROa2J6MGdEcGg3UWVJQTFTc2t4QT09>
Meeting ID: 990 5256 0006 Passcode: 113113

Please contact Jacqueline on vicar@cofewrecclesham.org.uk or 716431 / 07806 775974 if you have a notice to share – or if you would like to talk about something else – her day off is a Monday....

This week prayers are asked for – Bob Parrott (home from hospital now) Reg Skeet, Peggy Rapley, for Sharon (Dawn's sister), Zoe Perkins – for all who are poorly, and give thanks for the healing and ongoing wellbeing of all recovering and on the mend from illness....

RIP – Anne Danaher – funeral: Wed 20th April, 1.30pm at St Peter's Church – Dorothy Clarke – funeral: 12pm Thurs 21st April at Woking Crematorium. We pray for family and friends as they mourn, that they be comforted.

Baptism - We pray for Caitlin Freia Louise McGuire as she is baptised today and for her parents and Godparents.

Congratulations to Casey and Kirsty who were married on Friday – our prayers with them for many happy years to come as Mr & Mrs Hayward!

Please also pray for the life and work of our Church, that we might be part of God's loving and transforming grace here in our place, & in particular please pray in the seeking of more PCC members – PLEASE do consider whether you could offer some time to be on this group who oversee the running of St Peter's on behalf of us all....

Café13@StPeter's DURING EASTER - the first two sessions went really well and we prayer pray for Kate Mapes and the team for the sessions to be held this coming week. If you would like to know more about volunteering /attendance, please contact Kate or speak to Sally or Jacqueline cafe13makelunch@gmail.com

NEW – CHICKEN FOOT NIGHT – please see attached poster –
6.15PM SATURDAY 7TH MAY –

BOOK TICKETS IN ADVANCE PLEASE - for approx. catering numbers
FROM WENDY/JACQUELINE ON SALE SUNDAY AFTER CHURCH SERVICE

A brilliant dominoes-based game plus chicken supper (chicken fillets & chip-shop chips with coleslaw –
Bring your own drink & nibbles!

Hosted by Wendy & Jacqueline who say 'trust us – you'll love it!' ☺

NEW – Mother's Union Quiet Day @ St Thomas on the Bourne

You are warmly invited to join the Diocesan Mothers' Union Quiet Day on **Wednesday 27th April 10 a.m. - 3.30 p.m.** at the Church of St. Thomas on the Bourne, Farnham.

It is open to men and women, regardless whether you are a member of the Mothers' Union or not. The cost of the day is **£20 with a bring and share lunch**. The Theme of the day is 'Welcoming Transformation' and will be led by The Revd. Haydon Wilcox, Chaplain to St. Columba's House, Woking.

Please email: haydonwilcox@mac.com for a brochure and booking form to be emailed or posted to you.

NEW – Christian Aid Fundraiser events – more details to follow

Farnham Street collection, **10 am – 2pm Saturday 21st May.**

Musical evening, St Georges Church Badshot Lea, **Saturday 7th May**

Refreshments (tea and cakes) Crosswater Farm Gardens Opening **Sunday 1st and Monday 2nd May 10 am – 5pm**

NEW – THE QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE @ ST PETER'S & WRECCLESHAM

THURSDAY 2nd JUNE – around 8pm – gathering with film footage of the Queen's reign plus wine and nibbles
9.45pm – we gather outside to join the nation in lighting the **WRECCLESHAM JUBILEE BEACON**

SUNDAY 5TH JUNE, 3PM – Jubilee Picnic in the Vicarage Garden – bring your own picnic and a cream tea and bunting will be provided!

Also

FRIDAY 3RD – Wrecclesham Community Centre plan a **children's event @ Beldham Road Park**

SATURDAY 4TH – Wrecclesham Community Centre plan to hold a **tea party of some sort – details to follow**

FRIENDS OF ST PETER'S – a plea from Jacqueline

We are hoping to form a 'Friends of St Peter's' that will attract supporters - people who love their parish church but who might not necessarily want to worship – but would like to see the fabric of the building and the sustainability of its presence in Wrecclesham flourish for the future.

I need some help to get this off the ground – please speak to me if you or anyone you know might be able to be part of the working group to make this happen. In the meantime, please pray into this idea – this is the best option we have right now to ensure that St Peter's will be able to operate as a viable church...

CHOIR / SINGING GROUP - TIM WOULD LOVE TO HAVE SOME SINGERS AROUND HIM AS HE PLAYS THE ORGAN – PLEASE HAVE A CHAT WITH HIM – it's all informal! ☺

AND DAVID would like a singing group for 1st and 3rd Sundays, i.e. singing one or two new songs before the service for example... **Please see Tim or David** if you are interested to know more – it will be lovely to revive some of our choral tradition and begin something new... ☺

HYMNS – you can choose! – If you have a hymn that you would particularly like to sing to acknowledge an anniversary or just because you like it, please let Jacqueline know and we can make it happen! ☺

CALLING PEOPLE TO JOIN THE SMALL GROUPS WHO MEET TO PREP/PLAN/KEEP AN EYE ON THE VARIOUS THINGS THAT HELP MAKE ST PETER'S TICK OVER:

Fabric and Finance Group – Events & Fundraising Group – Worship & Spirituality Group

Please speak to Rob or Jacqueline if you would like to chat about offering some time and talent for St Peter's in the name of the Lord! ☺

Rob has been chair of the Events Group but has less time at the moment and is standing down – PLEASE DO CONSIDER JOINING US – EVEN TO BE CHAIR (although we all chip in ☺) – TO HELP CONJOUR UP SOME NEW IDEAS AND WAYS TO RAISE MONEY AND HAVE FUN AT THE SAME TIME! ☺

A CALL FOR PCC MEMBERS, PLEASE! – we will be thin on the ground of PCC members at the next APCM – please do think about coming on board with this – we meet every two months to think about the business and spiritual side of the church because actually – there is no separation, we can't do one without the other – **Please do pray about this and see if you might be able serve in this way.** Please see Jacqueline or Rob or any of the current PCC members if you would like to know more....

Calling all budding article-writers – for the Parish Magazine! – Roger and the team are doing a sterling job keeping the magazine published and delivered – thank you team magazine! However in order to keep articles interesting it would be good to have **some offers of articles which could be anything at all** – from holiday memories – hobby interests – favourite book reviews – poems – anything at all! **Please be bold and share with us snippets of interest that will interest us all!** ☺ **If you can take part please let Jacqueline know –** vicar@cofewrecclesham.org.uk – Tel: 716431 - and you can liaise about which month you would like to choose.

BAPTISM AND/OR CONFIRMATION: Affirming our faith – all ages: if you would like to consider affirming your journey of faith through Baptism and/or Confirmation, then please come and speak to Jacqueline about preparing for this very special occasion – it will be lovely to share the journey with you.... ☺ (07806 775974 / 01252 716431 – vicar@cofewrecclesham.org.uk)

Thank you

- Thank you to everyone who made this week's services run smoothly – and to our servers, stewards, readers and intercessors – and musicians who give their time and efforts into make our services run well and reverently – we are blessed....
- To Kathryn for leading us through six inspiring meditation sessions for Lent – what a blessing...
- To the Messy Church Team for an amazing afternoon that saw over 75 children and grown-ups come along to think about the Easter Story through activities and craft, a cuppa and chat, some relaxed worship and a jacket potato tea-time together – the next session will be Sunday 22 May.
- A continuing thank you to those who are quietly keeping the grounds looking nice and tidy and cared for – what a blessing....
- And a thank you to everyone for all that you hold on your heart for St Peter's – every prayer, every contribution of time, talent and money helps to keep our church a vibrant part of our community

Farnham Assist have published their new social events Programme – Farnham Assist reach out to older people who live alone or who are carers – there are fliers at the back of church. Please do take one if you or anyone you know might benefit from becoming part of the Farnham Assist community – monthly Sunday lunches – pie & pint club for gentlemen – knit & natter – Ladies pub lunches – day trips & walks – and transport to help – it's all there... ☺

Lion's Project Wenceslas fighting fuel poverty

On the 25th Nov the Lions are launching their initiative encouraging people to share their winter fuel allowance with those who need extra funds. With the rise in fuel prices, donating this year is more important than ever. The money goes straight to utility companies and allows fuel cards to be topped up; there is no limit on the relief as well. If you know anyone in need, please refer them to the Lions, a referral can come from any organisation. Attached is the application form for referring someone. For details <https://www.lionsgiving.co.uk/Appeal/farnhamwenceslas>

COLLECTING BOX FOR USED STAMPS – The box is at the back of the Church in aid of the RNIB and Wendy will send them of in the New Year – thank you, Wendy!

WRECCLESHAM OVER 60'S – On 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month @ 1.30pm – a lovely group meet at the Leverton Hall – please pick up a leaflet for information....

REMINDER – A short version of **Daily Prayer is available on the Church of England Website and as an App.**
<https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/join-us-service-daily-prayer> [Download Time To Pray app](#)
[Access the text online](#)

Farnham Foodbank – **THE BASKET IS NOW LOCATED AT THE CHURCH!**

- **Please only donate long-life goods – fresh and perishable goods cannot be accepted** – thank you for all that you contribute
- Please continue to put donations in the basket at St Peter's, and Lizzy Hendry & Stephanie Robinson will kindly be taking the food to the Foodbank. **Jacqueline holds Foodbank vouchers** - please contact her if you or anyone you know would benefit. They urgently need – **UHT milk – tinned tomatoes – teabags – squash/longlife juice – this was @ 18th March**

St Peter's WhatsApp Group – a lovely way to share little bits and pieces of our daily lives and thoughts – Please be in touch with Jacqueline 07806 775974 or vicar@cofewrecclesham.org.uk who can pass your details to Naomi....

Schroder Trust - Funding is available from the Schroder Trust for Wrecclesham residents and organisations who are in need of assistance – please speak to Rob Durrant, Rev Jacqueline or Jack Crawford for further information and Farnham Town Council for the application form - <https://www.farnham.gov.uk/services/grants/the-isabella-schroder-trust>

Readings

First Reading - *Isaiah 50.4-9a*

The servant of the LORD said: ⁴The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens – wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. ⁵The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backwards. ⁶I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. ⁷The Lord GOD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; ⁸he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. ⁹It is the Lord GOD who helps me; who will declare me guilty? All of them will wear out like a garment; the moth will eat them up.

Psalm 31.9-16

Second Reading - *Philippians 2.5-11*

⁵Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, ⁶who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, ⁷but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, ⁸he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death – even death on a cross. ⁹Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Gospel Reading - *Luke 22.14-23.56* (please see separate sheet)