

News Sheet – 3rd July 2022

The Third Sunday after Trinity – St Peter's Patronal Service
Ezekiel 3:22-end; Psalm 125; Acts 12:1-11; Matthew 16:13-19
Communion for All Ages to celebrate our Patron Saint Peter....

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

8am Rev Jacqueline – **10.30am** – **Leader/Preacher:** Rev Jacqueline – **Organist:** David

Thank you to everyone who have made this new-look service happen this morning – and we pray for children's leader Zoe and Rachel as they launch the new-look Junior Church – bravo everyone! ☺
(please see 'thank-you's below...)

From Jacqueline: Thank you to you, my dear church family, for the beautiful bouquet of roses & sweet peas and for your kind words – and to all who have sent cards, flowers & prayers – I have felt loved, held and supported xx

The Collect for 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, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Hymns: 30: Amazing Grace – 196: God forgave my sin – 64: Be thou my vision - Cm Anthem: Blessed bread (recorded) - Cm Hymn 60: Be still for the presence of the Lord – 310: In Christ alone

The Collect for the Third Sunday after Trinity (Thomas the Apostle)

Almighty and eternal God, who, for the firmer foundation of our faith, allowed your holy apostle Thomas to doubt the resurrection of your Son till word and sight convinced him: grant to us, who have not seen, that we also may believe and so confess Christ as our Lord and our God; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

NEXT SUNDAY 10AM - SUNDAY 10TH JULY – NO SERVICE IN CHURCH
WE'RE IN THE FETE TEA-TENT!

&

CALLING ALL PETS – COME TO OUR PET SERVICE!
Bring your pet to receive a blessing & as we give thanks for them ☺

There will be no main service at St Peter's Church – please come down to the Tea Tent on Wrecclesham Rec whether you are accompanied by a pet or not – **ALL ARE WELCOME!**

IT'S FETE TIME!

12.30-5pm Sunday 10TH JULY

(this is a very good fund-raiser for St Peter's – and a lot of fun in the mix!)
LET'S WORK TOGETHER TO MAKE THIS A HAPPY & SUCCESSFUL DAY

We have enough cakes, thank you so much – **BUT WE NEED SOME CAKE SERVERS**
(& A CASH BOX PLEASE!) Please give these to Kathryn or Jacqueline ☺

RAFFLE TICKETS

ROB DURRANT has the raffle tickets for sale – please take some to sell to friends/families!

ALSO

PHILIP IS LEADING THE BOTTLE TOMBOLA – ANY DONATIONS APPRECIATED PLEASE
you can bring them to church, give them to Philp, Rob, Jacqueline or leave them in the vicarage garage!

PLUS

WENDY & ANDREW ARE PREPARING THE BOOK-STALL

– books to the back of the church/vicarage garage please!

PARISH MAGAZINE – JULY/AUGUST IS NOW AVAILABLE

Thank you to Sue, Elizabeth, Jacqui, June and Beverly – and to our mag contributors and deliverers for joining me in rallying together as we have tried to honour Roger's faithful commitment to this way of sharing information, love and Good News (he was passionate about the magazine!) – the basic monthly information is there for us, along with a few other new items. I am so glad we were able to make this happen.....

Please contact Jacqueline on vicar@cofewrecclisham.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: John & Jean Birch, Peggy Rapley, Sharon (Dawn's sister), Zoe Perkins – for all who are poorly, those recovering from Covid, and give thanks for the healing and ongoing wellbeing of all recovering and on the mend from illness....

RIP

Roger Jefferyes – funeral is 12.30pm Monday 11th July, St Peter's Church - followed by burial in the churchyard and refreshments in Leverton Hall

Tina Brace (David's mother) funeral is 11.30am Thursday 21st July, Aldershot Crematorium

Malcolm Jeffery (Jacqueline's father) – funeral is 1.30pm Monday 25th July, St Francis Church, Beckingham Road, Guildford GU2 8BU (you are welcome to join us) – followed by burial in Stoke New Cemetery GU1 1HZ

We pray for David & Jacqueline and their families and for Martha & Lorra and Roger's family at this sad time

There is a card on the notice board from Bob's daughters, June & Lynne who were so comforted by his service, and were thankful to Sue & Lizzy for their help with the reception - and to all Bob's friends who journeyed with him at St Peter's

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....

Course - Now up and running – 'MADE FOR GOD - GOOD FOR GOD' –

Fellowship, gentle conversation and allowing ourselves to think about God in our daily lives & in our church-life. The only way to understand the benefits of joining a small group is to come along and see... ☺

Final Sessions – Wed 6th July at 10.30am at the Vicarage **or Thurs 4th Aug, 8pm** at Lizzy Hendry's house

Accompanying book available – Everyday Prayer: Sustaining Everyday Faith' – donations for the book welcome (£3.99) - it is written by Raymond Tomkinson (some of you met him at my induction) and he gently explores, through everyday life, ways in which to explore various prayer practices and ideas. I am sure it will be very special if we all come together as a family to work on the spirit of our church and our hearts....

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! ☺

WESTMINSTER ABBEY PASS- We have kindly been given a pass by Anthea's cousin to Westminster Abbey that allows up to four adults to visit for free – children go free anyway... We can use it up to six times in one year – two slots have been booked already – Eddie and Pat had a lovely time last week. Ask them to show you the photos!
If you would like to book a slot, please let Jacqueline know....

Thank you

- Thank you to **Lee Moran Roofing** who kindly provided the tower to enable us to change the projector bulb!
- Thank you to Rob, Vanda and Stephen who helped to sort the projector problem out and to Ian from ICL who came along at the drop of a hat to replace the bulb!
- Thank you to the lovely team of volunteers who are hosting the **Friday Ukraine Gathering** – we hope the English Lessons and space of hospitality flourishes and helps our Ukraine friends in these traumatic times.
- Thank you to everyone who made this week's services run smoothly – and to all who give their time and efforts into make our services run well and reverently – AND ESPECIALLY THOSE WHO HAVE HELPED SET UP THE NEW-LOOK SERVICE TODAY – including Sue and the coffee-rota people – Zoe & Rachel leading Junior Church – and techy and David and servers and stewards – and all who support it! we are blessed....
- A heartfelt thank you everyone for your care and concern following the sad death of my Father, Malcolm last Tuesday...
- A continuing thank you to those who are quietly keeping the grounds looking nice and tidy and cared for – what a blessing – the church wall surrounds looked lovely and neat this week ☺
- 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 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 – **Microwaveable Sponge Puddings (Long Life) - Tinned Rice Pudding - Instant Mashed Potato - UHT Milk - Chocolate Bars**

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! ☺

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)

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 – Do you know someone who could do with some help?

The Lions have an initiative to encourage people to share their winter fuel allowance and the fund goes towards topping up fuel cards for those who are struggling with utility costs. Here is the link for an application form for referring someone. For details <https://www.lionsgiving.co.uk/Appeal/farnhamwenceslas>

COLLECTING BOX FOR USED STAMPS – at the back of the Church in aid of the RNIB– 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](#)

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>

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

Readings for Sunday 3rd July – The Third Sunday after Trinity

Isaiah 66:10-14

Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her; rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her – that you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast; that you may drink deeply with delight from her glorious bosom. For thus says the LORD: I will extend prosperity to her like a river, and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing stream; and you shall nurse and be carried on her arm, and dandled on her knees. As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem. You

shall see, and your heart shall rejoice; your bodies shall flourish like the grass; and it shall be known that the hand of the LORD is with his servants, and his indignation is against his enemies.

Galatians Chapter 6:7-16

Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith. See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised – only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! As for those who will follow this rule peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

Luke 10:1 -11,16-20

The Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest. Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, "Peace to this house!" And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the labourer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, "The kingdom of God has come near to you." But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, "Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near."

Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me.' The seventy returned with joy, saying, 'Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!' He said to them, 'I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.'

Readings for Sunday 3rd July – The Feast of St Peter

Frist Reading: Acts 12:1-11 (Good News Translation)

¹² About this time King Herod^[a] began to persecute some members of the church. ² He had James, the brother of John, put to death by the sword. ³ When he saw that this pleased the Jews, he went ahead and had Peter arrested. (This happened during the time of the Festival of Unleavened Bread.) ⁴ After his arrest Peter was put in jail, where he was handed over to be guarded by four groups of four soldiers each. Herod planned to put him on trial in public after Passover. ⁵ So Peter was kept in jail, but the people of the church were praying earnestly to God for him.

⁶ The night before Herod was going to bring him out to the people, Peter was sleeping between two guards. He was tied with two chains, and there were guards on duty at the prison gate. ⁷ Suddenly an angel of the Lord stood there, and a light shone in the cell. The angel shook Peter by the shoulder, woke him up, and said, "Hurry! Get up!" At once the chains fell off Peter's hands. ⁸ Then the angel said, "Tighten your belt and put on your sandals." Peter did so, and the angel said, "Put your cloak around you and come with me." ⁹ Peter followed him out of the prison, not knowing, however, if what the angel was doing was real; he thought he was seeing a vision. ¹⁰ They passed by the first guard station and then the second, and came at last to the iron gate that opens into the city. The gate opened for them by itself, and they went out. They walked down a street, and suddenly the angel left Peter. ¹¹ Then Peter realized what had happened to him, and said, "Now I know that it is really true! The Lord sent his angel to rescue me from Herod's power and from everything the Jewish people expected to happen.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 16.13-19 (Good News Translation)

Peter's Declaration about Jesus

¹³ Jesus went to the territory near the town of Caesarea Philippi, where he asked his disciples, "Who do people say the Son of Man is?" ¹⁴ "Some say John the Baptist," they answered. "Others say Elijah, while others say Jeremiah or some other prophet." ¹⁵ "What about you?" he asked them. "Who do you say I am?"

¹⁶ Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God."

¹⁷ "Good for you, Simon son of John!" answered Jesus. "For this truth did not come to you from any human being, but it was given to you directly by my Father in heaven. ¹⁸ And so I tell you, Peter: you are a rock, and on this rock foundation I will build my church, and not even death will ever be able to overcome it. ¹⁹ I will give you the keys of the Kingdom of heaven; what you prohibit on earth will be prohibited in heaven, and what you permit on earth will be permitted in heaven."