

ST MARY'S WITH ST PETER'S BURY ST EDMUNDS

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seeking to **worship** the God and Father of our Lord Jesus in the power of the Holy Spirit; to **teach** the Bible in a way relevant to everyday life; to **grow** people in faith, understanding and love; to **equip** people to serve others; to **offer** people opportunities to meet Jesus and discover forgiveness and new life.

11 February 2018 1 before Lent

Welcome to our churches. If you would like to find out more about the life of our churches, please do make yourself known to one of the staff, or, complete a welcome form available at the back of church.

St Peter's Church

10.45am Holy Communion

Leader: David Crofts

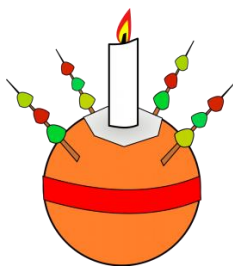
Preacher: Nick Alexander

Reading: Deuteronomy 8 p187

Members of the prayer team will be available after the service

4.00pm Sunday@4

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St Mary's Church

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

Leader/Preacher: Geoff Brown

9.30am Holy Communion

Leader: George Howard

Preacher: Laurence Smith

Reading: James 1:19-27 p1147

11.00am Morning Prayer – no choir

Leader: Geoff Brown

Preacher: Laurence Smith

Reading: Isaiah 58:1-9a p744

James 1:19-27 p1213

6:30pm Evening Prayer

Leader: Wendy Sunderland

Preacher: Duncan MacInnes

Readings: Mark 9:9-13 p1012

Next Sunday – Lent 1

St Mary's

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9.30am Morning Worship

11.00am Holy Communion – no choir

6.30pm Evening Prayer

St Peter's

10.45am Morning Worship

4.00pm Sunday@4

Appointment process for a new incumbent. The appointment process is gathering momentum! The advert for a new incumbent already appears on the Simeon / Hyndman Trustees website and will shortly appear on the C of E Pathways website. We are finalising the wording for an advert in the Church Times. Interview dates have been set for 24 / 25 April. **The Parish Profile** appears on the parish website.

Andrew Buttress, who is at present an Ordinand at Cranmer Hall, Durham, is going to be ordained in Bury St Edmunds Cathedral on Saturday 30 June. It has just been announced that he will then begin a curacy in Ipswich shortly after his ordination in the parish of St Matthew's, Triangle and All Saints. Andrew will be based primarily at St Matthews, which is in the centre of the town very close to the football ground. Andrew and Dawn have no idea yet exactly where and when they will move, but hopefully that will be clarified relatively soon. They will be back at Easter to see everyone.

Reminder: Ethiopia Team August 2018. A great opportunity to serve. For details, please contact Dorothy Haile (dorothyhaile45@gmail.com).

Just Traid is now providing a **Collection Point** for donated food and toiletries to go to the **night shelter at Northgate Lodge**. They offer a 10% discount on any items for donation which are purchased at Just Traid.

Fair Trade Barn Dance, to celebrate the start of Fair Trade fortnight, Sat 24 Feb, 7:30 – 10pm at All Saints Church. Tickets £7.50 to include a ploughman's supper (£5 for under 16s). Tickets from Just Traid or Mallie Sharpe.

this week

Join us this Friday, 16 February, for
Parish Praise
7:30pm in the Hyndman Centre
(please note the change of date)

Tuesday

Prayer Meeting for the Fifields, 8pm, Lady Chapel.

Ash Wednesday

Holy Communion, 10am, St Mary's chancel.

Ash Wednesday Holy Communion, 7:30pm, St Peter's.

Thursday

Lunch & Chat, 12:45pm, Hyndman Centre.

Friday

St Mary's Morning Prayer, 9 – 9:30am, Lady Chapel.

Curate's Open Hour, 10 – 11am, Lady Chapel.

Parish Praise, 7:30pm, Hyndman Centre

Small groups meet during the week. If you would like to join a group, please speak to David Crofts (761801) for St Peter's, or at St Mary's – Laurence (625195).

In February, **the Fifield family** is our mission focus at both churches. If you would like to make a donation, please use a giving envelope at the back of church, marking the name of the charity on the envelope.

'There are no ordinary people': the Searchlight Theatre Company's performance of the story of Barnabas will take place on Saturday 24 March at 7:15pm at Southgate Church. Tickets at £10 can be purchased online at searchlighttheatre.org/jeff-lucas-tour or from Southgate Church office (01284 703705).

parish notice board

Lent Course: 'Why does it have to hurt?', Monday evenings, 26 February, 5, 19 and 26 March in St Peter's Church. Inspired by Dan McCartney's book 'Why does it have to hurt?' our Lent Course for 2018 will look at the subject of suffering. This year the course will run as a whole parish event to which members of both churches are warmly invited. Each evening will open and close with musical worship, and there will be opportunities for discussion and prayer.

LIFE Exhibition, 9 – 15 March, St Peter's.

Maundy Thursday

10am - Holy Communion in St Mary's.

In the evening we encouraging as many people as possible to hold a Christian Passover meal in their own homes, inviting family, friends and church members. A kit comprising a menu and simple set of words to read out will be available by emailing barbaraunwin@talktalk.net

Good Friday

9:30am - all age service at St Peter's

10:30am - Procession of Witness, starting at the Cathedral

2pm – an hour-long service entitled 'The Darkest Hour' at St Mary's

In the evening, the choir will hold a passion event at St Mary's entitled 'The Way of the Cross', telling the Easter story through hymns and readings.

7pm – Service at St Mary's; details to follow.

Easter Sunday

Services at 8am, 9:30am, 11am and 6:30pm in St Mary's.

10:45am All Age Holy Communion at St Peter's. There will be no Sunday@4.

Parish Weekend Away, 13 – 15 July at Belsey Bridge Conference Centre, with speaker Bishop Bill Musk. Brochures and booking forms are available at the back of both churches. **Special Early Bird offer:** book by Easter and receive a discount. For more information speak to Jackie in the Parish Office.

St Mary's

Morning Prayer, 9 – 9:30am every Friday in the Lady Chapel. Please do come and join us for a relaxed time of prayer.

Curate's Open Hour. Every Friday from 10 – 11am in the Lady Chapel.

St Peter's

Crafts Around the World. A monthly event starting 22 Feb at 7:45pm, with the specific aim of reaching out to ladies who wouldn't normally come to church. Advance booking is essential by emailing Barbara Unwin (barbaraunwin@talktalk.net). This evening will be free, but all other dates will cost £5 per evening to cover the cost of materials.

daily bible readings

Sunday

Psalm 27
Exodus 24:12-end
2 Corinthians 3:12-end

Monday

Psalm 30
Genesis 37:1-11
Galatians 1

Tuesday

Psalm 36
Genesis 37:12-end
Galatians 2:1-10

Ash Wednesday

Psalm 38
Daniel 9:3-6, 17-19
1 Timothy 6:6-19

Thursday

Psalm 77
Genesis 39
Galatians 2:11-end

Friday

Psalm 3
Genesis 40
Galatians 3:1-14

Saturday

Psalm 71
Genesis 41: 1-24
Galatians 3:15-22

Sunday

Psalm 77
Exodus 34:1-10
Romans 10:8b-13



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Holy God,
you know the disorder of our sinful lives:
set straight our crooked hearts,
and bend our wills to love your goodness
and your glory
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

we pray for

- Those in need: Matt Allum, Hilary Bassendine, Joy Blake, Colin Fayers, David Hussell, Peggy Newton, Clive Paine, Pat Rae, Joan Russell, Sandy Tillett. Please continue to pray for Ernest Exell, who is now home.
- The family and friends of Joyce Croft, Cecilia Banham, Ginette Helal, Neville Marriott, Neil Courtier and Jean Hamre as they grieve their death.
- Those couples for whom we are reading banns of marriage today: Martin Nicholls & Lucy Jacobs; Carl Pearson & Kerryanne Crack.
- Our parish representatives and supporters, Dorothy Haile, John Dixon, Nigel Beeton and Ian Nurcombe, as they prepare the way for the appointment of a new incumbent.
- Preparations for the LIFE Exhibition, taking place in March. Pray that schools will respond positively to invitations to the LIFE Exhibition.
- The Fifield family in Addis Ababa. Pray especially for the teachers that are needed for Bingham Academy for next year. Jemma has an important recruiting and administrative role.

For all enquiries please contact: St Mary's and St Peter's Parish Office, St Mary's Church, Honey Hill, Bury St Edmunds IP33 1RT
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Acting incumbent of the parish of St Mary with St Peter and Vicar of St Peter's: Nick Alexander
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