



Parish of St Mary with St
Peter, Bury St Edmunds



2 February 2020

Presentation of Christ in the Temple

Welcome to our churches.

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

Our parish mission is 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.

Prayer for today

Lord Jesus Christ,
light of the nations and glory of Israel:
make your home among us,
and present us pure and holy
to your heavenly Father,
your God, and our God.
Amen.

At St Mary's today

8.00am BCP Holy Communion
Presiding/Preaching: Lionel
Simpkins

Malachi 3.1-5; Luke 2.22-40 (72)

9:30am Morning Worship

Leading: Paul Cook

Preaching: Hazel Humphreys

Luke 2.22-40

11.00am Holy Communion

Presiding: Geoff Brown

Preaching: Hazel Humphreys

Malachi 3.1-5; Luke 2.22-40

6.30pm Choral Evensong

Leading/Preaching: Simon Harvey

Psalm 122

At St Peter's today

10.45am Christingle Café Church

Leading: Nick Alexander

Preaching: Simon Harvey

Members of the prayer team will be
available after the service.

Nick and Julia Alexander

Nick and Julia's last Sunday in Bury St Edmunds will be at St Peter's on 8 March 2020 and we shall want to express our gratitude and appreciation to them for all that they have done. If you would like to contribute, please put a donation in an envelope marked "Nick's leaving gift" in the collection or at the church office.

February Mission Focus

For the month of February, Serving in Mission (SIM) is the mission focus at St Mary's and at St Peter's the focus is Embrace. 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.

Daily Prayer Bible readings

These are now available online at churchofengland.org and through the Daily Prayer apps for iOS and Android. Printed copies for the whole year are available at the back of both churches.

The View Magazine

The February edition of The View is now on the website and copies can be found at the back of both churches.

Sound system at St Mary's

We're looking for more volunteers to help operate the sound system at 9:30 and 11am services. For more details, please speak with Daniel Holt.

Get stuck into Jam! Jesus And Me at St Mary's

Our all new club for children in school years 1 to 6 is now meeting most Sundays during the 9:30am service at the top of the tower in St Mary's for games, praise, crafts, stories, discovering together and FUN! This Sunday, the theme is 'Silly or sensible?' All welcome.

Crafts around the world

Ladies, we have a few places available for Crafts Around the World. If you are interested in joining us, please contact Barbara at barbaraunwin@talktalk.net. Booking is essential and the first meeting is on 6 February.

In addition, we will need some assistance after each monthly meeting at 9:30pm to get church ready for Sunday services. This could be on a rota basis and will involve putting tables away and setting chairs up. If you feel able to assist or want to know more, please speak to Peter or Barbara Unwin.

We pray for

Those in need, including: Peter Firmin, Vicky Last, Audrey Seaton, Heather Wilkinson.

The families and friends of Leslie Southgate and Philip Barry as they grieve their deaths.

Sienna Brown on the occasion of her thanksgiving service today.

The Bury Free Press newspaper.

The oppressed peoples of the world.

Simon Harvey, vicar of our parish, and his wife Jo.

Embrace the Middle East. Please pray for those who work across the region as they strive to help those people most in need, whilst also facing the challenges of living amidst conflict, poverty and injustice.

Serving in Mission (SIM). Pray for all those who are dealing with the implications of the coronavirus affecting the countries of East Asia. A number of our missionaries are displaced from their usual countries of service and do not know when they will be able to return. Pray for wisdom for the leaders and peace of heart for all concerned.

Regular events

Small groups

Small groups meet during the week. If you would like to join a group, please speak to Nick Alexander (767042) for St Peter's, or at St Mary's – Edward Coningsby (766015)

Little Fishes Baby & Toddler Group

Wednesdays during term-time, 9:30-11:30am, Hyndman Centre.

Westgate Community Café

Wednesdays, 9am – 12noon, Hyndman Centre.

The Den Youth Group

Fridays during term-time, 6:30-8pm, Hyndman Centre.

Tea & Chat

First Tuesday of each month, 2–4pm, St Peter's.

Parish Prayer Meeting

Third Wednesday of each month, 7:45pm, Hyndman Centre.

Lunch & Chat

Third Thursday of each month, 12:45pm, Hyndman Centre.

St Peter's Vision Prayer Meeting,

Every Tuesday 12-12:45pm, St Peter's.

Men's Carpet Bowls

First Wednesday of each month 7:30pm, St Peter's.

This week

Daily Prayer

Monday 3 Feb, 9:30-10am, St Mary's
Tuesday 4 Feb, 9:30-10am, St Mary's
Thursday 6 Feb, 9:30-10am, St Mary's
Friday 7 Feb, 9.00-9.30am, St Mary's
Saturday 8 Feb, 9:30-10am, St Mary's

Games Afternoon at St Peter's

Sunday 2 February, 3 – 5pm
Organised games for all ages with tea and cake

St Peter's Vision Prayer Meeting

Tuesday 4 Feb, 12–12:45pm, St Peter's

Tea & Chat

Tuesday 4 Feb, 2 – 4pm, St Peter's.
Christine Hymers (medic) talks about 'Help from the Sky'.

Westgate Community Café

Wednesday 5 Feb, 9am – 12noon, Hyndman Centre

Little Fishes Toddler Group,
Wednesday 5 Feb, 9:30 – 11:30am,
Hyndman Centre

Midweek Holy Communion
Wednesday 5 Feb, 10am, St Mary's
Simon Harvey presides and preaches

Men's Carpet Bowls
Wednesday 5 Feb at 7:30pm, St Peter's

Crafts Around the World
Thursday 6 Feb at 7:45pm, St Peter's

The Den
Friday 7 Feb at 6:30, Hyndman Centre

Parish Men's Breakfast
Saturday 8 Feb at 8am, Pilgrim's
Kitchen

Alpha
Saturday 8 Feb at 3:30pm, Constable
Road

Holy Communion (BCP)
Sunday 9 Feb, 8am, St Mary's

Holy Communion
Sunday 9 Feb, 9.30am, St Mary's

Holy Communion
Sunday 9 Feb, 10.45am, St Peter's

Holy Communion
Sunday 9 Feb, 11am, St Mary's

Evening Prayer
Sunday 9 Feb, 6.30pm, St Mary's

Further ahead

**St Mary's District Church Council
meeting**

3 March, 7:45pm, Hyndman Centre

**St Peter's District Church Council
meeting**

10 March, 7:45pm, Hyndman Centre

**Parochial Church Council
meeting**

24 March, 7:45pm, Hyndman Centre

**St Peter's Annual District Church
Meeting**

Sunday 5 April, 12noon, St Peter's

**St Mary's Annual District Church
Meeting**

Sunday 19 April, 10:30am, St Mary's

**Parish Annual District Church
Meeting**

Sunday 26 April, 6:30pm, St Peter's

Contact us

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