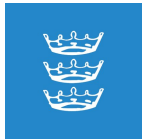




THE WEEK AHEAD



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Worship this week

Christ the King
8.30am and 10am Eucharist

Midweek services

Wednesday 7pm **followed by Bible Study 7.30pm**

Thursday 11am

Wednesdays and Thursdays:
Morning Prayer at 9am
Evening Prayer at 6pm

Community Events

Coffee Shop
Monday - Thursday
10am - 1pm

Open House

Tuesday 9.30am Church Hall

Games Group

Thursday 10am Coffee Shop

Knitting Group

Thursday 5pm

Church Groups

Thursday 7.30pm
Bell Ringing Practice

Friday 7pm
Choir Rehearsal

Serving God, by serving you, your family & the Community

Welcome to St Peter's Church, Filton. We are a friendly, inclusive church welcoming everyone who wishes to worship with us. Join us in whatever way you can.



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Meeting ID: 349 514 8166

Password: 154508

Tel: 0203 481 5240

Live-streaming

Please be aware that the 10am service every Sunday is live-streamed to our Facebook page. Coming to the altar to receive communion implies consent to be seen on camera. If you are unhappy to do so, do have a chat with one of the clergy or wardens and we can make arrangements to bring it to you in your pew.

Giving to Church

We are once again passing collection plates around the pews during the offertory hymn. If you prefer not to use cash, you can use this QR code to donate to the running of the church. You can also give online by clicking on the "donate button" on the home page of our [website](#). Or you can use the QR code on the end of each pew in church.



Thank you so much for your continued support in the running and upkeep of your church.

Walk with Me

From today, the Advent Walk With Me booklets and Children's calendars will be on sale. Booklets priced £1.50 each and calendars 50p each. Each offers a reflection for each day of Advent as we walk through this time of waiting for light to come into the darkness. Please speak to David Haslum for further information.

Of your charity please pray for:

- **Those acutely unwell:** Thelma Mountford, Wendy Hudd, Lilian Smith
- **Those with chronic or long-term conditions:** Katie Roberts-Malpass, Marian Bryant, Alice Morris, Mark Olive, Ruth and Eddy Welch, Doreen Taylor
- **Those in need:**
- **Our local community:** Emmaus House
- **Our Church and the wider diocese of Bristol:** The PCC
- **The departed:** Harry Skinner, Maria Augusta Tavares
- **Those whose anniversary falls this week:** Iris Batchelor, Mary Blandamour, George Watson, Vera Middleton, David Arnold, Ray Golledge, Jack Russell, Bernard Stenner

For a monthly diocesan prayer cycle, please see [link](#)

Eternal Father, whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord and King: keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

Christmas Appeal from the Sisters of the Church

As in previous years, this Christmas time we will be giving gift bags along with our special Christmas food parcels to each of our callers, to share the joy of the season and to help families with costs. We would so appreciate any donations to help make this possible. The items we need are as follows:

★ Hats, gloves, scarves and socks, for men AND women

★ Toiletry sets, for men AND women

★ £15 Argos OR One4all gift cards for children - we would be delighted with either donations towards gift cards, or the gift cards themselves. Our bank details for direct donations are as follows: Name: Sisters of the Church Account number: 65075960 Sort code: 08-92-99 Please do let us know if you are donating directly so that we can acknowledge receipt. Please leave items at the back of church so we can run everything down in one go. The deadline for donations is **10th December**.

Book of Remembrance

Once again I am starting to gather names and tributes to be added to our Book of Remembrance. If you would like a tribute to a loved one, please contact me with their name, dates of birth and death, and a short sentence or two. Once I have collected enough names I'll be in touch with the calligrapher. Cost for a tribute is roughly £20-£25. Please note that this process can take time to finalise with the calligrapher so your patience is much appreciated. Thanks, Faith

Bible Study Group

Fr Rod has been giving us an informative walk through the Gospel of John, and there is just one session left, to which everyone is welcome. The evening promises to be informal and enlightening, and will be **this Wednesday 26th November 7.30pm** (*The high priestly prayer of Jesus; what Jesus taught his disciples*)

Notices are continued overleaf..

Interim Priest in Charge: Revd Rod Cosh rodcosh@icloud.com

Church Wardens: Thomas Moller & Janet Moller wardens.stpeterschurchilton@gmail.com

Administrator: Faith Tutton faith.stpeterschurchilton@gmail.com

Christmas Tree Festival

From **Tuesday 9th December until Friday 12th December**, we will be holding a Christmas Tree Festival. You are invited to bring a decorated tree on behalf of your group, charity or company to display as part of the festival. We will be setting up on **Monday 8th December** between 9am until 1pm. The Festival will open on Tuesday 9th and all will be welcome from **11am to 6pm each day**, with a late evening opening on the **Friday 12th December until 8pm**, during which we will be treated to a concert by Jean's band, so please do come along to support them.

The last hour each day will include carol singing and there will be hot chocolate available for those who would like it. There is no charge for entering a tree, although you are invited to make a donation to our 2025 Heating Appeal. Please provide and decorate your tree (size 3.5' to 4') to reflect the nature of your group or business. There will be no supply of electricity, but, if you wish, you can decorate your tree with battery powered lights. Trees should be removed on Saturday morning, 13th December. Prayer baubles will also be for sale if you would like a loved one remembered at Christmas. For more information, or to book a slot, please email Faith.

Time to Grieve

We meet on the **first Wednesday of the month, 10.30am**, in the Lady Chapel. If you are grieving the loss of a loved one, come along to our friendly group where you will find support from Margaret, our retired grief counsellor. Our next meeting will be on **Wednesday, 3rd December**.

Mothers' Union

Mother's Union are holding the Deanery Advent Service in church on **Thursday 11th December at 2pm**. Everyone is welcome to help us celebrate our 90th birthday and you will be able to see our Christmas Tree Festival. The refreshments will include a cake. Do Join Us and Join In this event. See Linda or Louise for more details.

Taizé

As the Autumn months are coming, Taizé will soon restart. This beautiful contemplative service will restart in **December**, date to be confirmed, and thereafter on the **first Sunday of the month through the winter**. This is a peaceful, candlelit service in the intimate setting of the Lady Chapel. The service consists of music, prayer, readings and quiet chants. Come and join us for a peaceful and restorative start to your week.

Vacancy

Fr Rod Cosh is our Interim Priest in Charge. He will provide us with the continuity we need until the PCC can appoint a new incumbent. Fr Allan will continue to support Fr Rod with services and you may still see some visiting priests. We hope that the disruption to regular services will be minimal, however we will always do our best to notify you on social media, by email, or in the news sheet, if this is the case. Sunday services will of course remain unaffected. During the vacancy, depending on what assistance you need, please see below for a list of useful contacts. We will do our best to help you but we are all still finding our feet, so please bear with us in this period of transition.

Useful contacts during the vacancy

Faith, your administrator, for general church enquiries, and enquiries relating to baptisms, weddings, and Banns: faith.stpeterschurchilton@gmail.com

Thomas and Janet, your Church Wardens, for any concerns regarding the church building, churchyard, or church services: wardens.stpeterschurchilton@gmail.com

Fr Rod for funeral enquiries: rodcosh@icloud.com

Anne-Louise Pam for safeguarding concerns about any member of the congregation: almenta@hotmail.co.uk

Claire Eade for any concerns regarding pastoral care: claire.stpeterschurchilton@gmail.com

John Cahill for any financial enquiries: treasurer.stpeterschurchilton@gmail.com

Mandy Leslie for Coffee Shop enquiries: coffee.stpeterschurchilton@gmail.com

Nick Moller for Church Hall bookings: bookhall.stpeterschurchilton@gmail.com

The church mobile (07452 992 122) will be held by the Church Wardens. Whilst they will check it regularly, please try to contact people in the ways detailed above.

Vacancy Collect

This prayer has been created by the PCC as we continue the process of recruiting a new parish priest. You may wish to add it to your prayers as the PCC navigates this process on behalf of the church and the wider parish.

Holy, generous, gracious God, in whose presence we know love and support

We come further into your presence in our intercessions to you, seeking your guidance, seeking calm and peace.

In you may we find understanding, as we long to make sense of your world

In you may we find strength, in the times that we are weary, or needing relief from stress

In you may we find our lives fulfilled, as we respond to your call on our lives.

We ask this in reverence and humility, with hopeful and thankful hearts, in communion with all of the saints

Amen