St. Peter's FILTON

THE WEEK AHEAD

ST PETER'S FILTON | DIOCESE OF BRISTOL | CHURCH OF ENGLAND

Worship this week

Trinity Sunday
10am Eucharist

Midweek services
Wednesday: 7pm Evening Service
Thursday: 11am Said Eucharist or Morning Prayer

Community Events

Coffee Shop
Monday - Thursday
10am - 1pm
Open House
Tuesday 9.30am Church Hall
Time to Grieve
Wednesday 10.30am Coffee Shop
Games Group
Thursday 10am Coffee Shop
Knitting Group
Thursday 5pm

Church Groups

Bell Ringing Practice
Thursday 7.30pm

Choir Rehearsal
Friday 7pm

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.

www.facebook.com/stpetersfilton

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 pass 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.

Summer Fair Bottle Stall

Once again Ian and Sue Horseman are asking for donations to their ever popular bottle stall at this year's Summer Fair. This can be alcoholic or soft drinks, marinades or sauces, shower gels or other toiletries. Please ensure your donation is in date, and something you would like to win for yourself or gift to a friend. We don't want that dusty bottle of vinegar from the back of the cupboard! Please leave your donations at the back of church.

Of your charity please pray for:

- **Those acutely unwell**: June Watkins, Jenny Wells, Alan Hudd, Bruce Stedman, Mary Haslum
- **Those with chronic or long-term conditions:** Katie Roberts-Malpass, Alice Morris, Mark Olive, Ruth and Eddy Welch, Michael Keeble
- **Those in need:**
- **Our local community:** Off the Record
- **Our Church and the wider diocese of Bristol:** Our servers
- **The departed:**
- **Those whose anniversary falls this week:** Walter Hand, Garry Reed, Kenneth Purchase, Nicol Blount, Pearl Partridge

For a monthly diocesan prayer cycle, please see link

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity: keep us steadfast in this faith, that we may evermore be defended from all adversities; 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

Sisters of the Church

At times like Easter, Harvest and Christmas, the work of the Sisters is at the forefront of our minds, and you are incredibly generous with your donations. However, the Sisters' work continues year round, helping the most vulnerable and those most in need in our city, with 250 regular visitors every week. Please consider bringing more donations to church so that we can support this worthy cause year round. Non-perishable food items and toiletries like soap and sanitary products are always welcomed. Sue and Ian are happy to take donations down if you leave items in the box at the back of church. Thank you.

St Peter's Summer Fair - 27 June 2026 (St Petertide)

Our Summer fair will be held from **10am to 2pm on Saturday 27th June.**

Weather permitting it will be held in church car park like last year. But don't worry if it's raining; it will still go ahead! We would welcome everyone's involvement if you are available to bring in donations / help with stalls and support on the day by attending and helping set up the event. We are hoping to arrange some entertainment to happen during the day- watch this space!

We are looking for donations of the following:

- Bottles (filled) for bottle stall- see above
- Home-made items/ crafts for sale alongside home made jams etc.
- Cakes / other baked products for sale on MU stall
- Home grown plants / surplus pot plants / surplus garden produce
- Raffle prizes (quality goods/ unwanted presents etc)
- Bric a brac **(good quality)**
- Books
- Puzzles
- Teddies/ soft toys for naming or teddy tombola
- If anyone has links to local suppliers, could you ask them to donate raffle prizes? Amy has drafted a letter/ email that can be forwarded to be sent out

If you can help with any of these items please speak to our PCC entertainment and fundraising group: Jenny Connor, Amy Atkinson, or Sue & Ian Horseman, or alternatively Claire Eade or the church wardens: Linda Keeble & Janet Moller. Or sign up on the sheet at the back of church. Thanks

Church Wardens: Janet Moller & Linda Keeble wardens.stpeterschurchfilton@gmail.com
Administrator: Faith Tutton faith.stpeterschurchfilton@gmail.com

We are award winners!

Thanks to **your** fundraising and Thomas' hard work, St Peter's has won the **2026 Church Transformation Award.** Each year, the Diocesan Advisory Committee recognises a number of outstanding projects that display an exceptional standard of workmanship, and are key to the parish's growth and mission. This year's celebration honoured the dedication, skill and vision that resulted in our new heating system. Claire accepted the award on everyone's behalf during a ceremony last week. Congratulations to all of you for your dedication to warming our church!

An important announcement from the PCC

Hello Everyone,

The PCC met on Wednesday 6th May and this is to give you a bit of an update.

We are continuing with the Parish Profile, also known as Christ's Call to attract the right parish priest for St Peter's and we will be letting you have more information as time moves along.

You all, both the immediate congregation and the wider community, are very much wanted to be part of this process. The PCC is currently carrying out a few scoping ideas on how to do this in practice so watch this space.

Sunday June 14th is the day we are hoping to have Rosy Ashley with us to help us along the journey, so please put the date in your diaries as we want as many of you as possible to participate.

That's it for now, many blessings

St Peter's PCC

Introits

The introits we use change with the liturgical seasons and reflect the nature of worship for which we prepare ourselves in the 5 minutes before the service. ***This is a time of reflective prayer.*** Please continue to join in with the introits if you wish.

We mainly use Taize chants, which are a form of spiritual reflection.This does not work so well if people cannot be still and calm their minds.

Please be mindful of this when you enter the church and keep the peaceful 5 minutes, if not for yourself then in respect of others who are doing so.

I have had great feedback about moving the choir amongst the congregation, so we will keep doing this in various ways when we can. Singing sends prayers twofold (Attributed to St Augustine), elevating the words into a deeper, more emotional form of worship.

Let's keep up the prayer and praise! Viv

Time to Grieve

We meet on the **first Wednesday of the month, 10.30am**, in the Coffee Shop. 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 **Wednesday, 3rd June.**

A plea from the Coffee Shop manager

Our ever popular coffee shop is run entirely by volunteers and everyone works hard to keep this important community resource open. However, we are desperately short of people to make cakes for us - and the homemade cakes are the biggest draw! If you feel you can help out, even just once in a while, please speak to Mandy or pop into the coffee shop. As long as you provide a list of ingredients, we are grateful for any cake!

Thursday services

We have a wonderful, friendly group of worshippers on a Thursday morning for our 11am service. Everyone looks after one another and helps out where they can. Our worship is enhanced by different visiting priests who all bring their own style to the service. Sometimes we don't have a priest, but offer a contemplative service of Morning Prayer instead. Everyone is welcome to join us at 11am in the Lady Chapel for what is often a slightly more informal, said service. Faith.

Vacancy

St Peter's is now in vacancy while the PCC work with the Diocese of Bristol to find a new priest. In the meantime we have the support of Fr Allan and various different visiting priests. **We hope to keep disruption to services to a minimum through this time, though you may see that weekday services are disrupted.** Your understanding is appreciated while we do our best to keep interruptions to a minimum. Keep an eye on Facebook for the latest updates.

Useful contacts

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

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

Anne-Louise Pam for safeguarding concerns about any member of the congregation: Safe.stpeterschurchfilton@gmail.com

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

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

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

Nick Moller for Church Hall bookings: bookhall.stpeterschurchfilton@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.