Next week - 27th July 2025

Cleaning Rota Yvonne

JAM No JAM

Coffee Steve & Ruth

Music Downloaded music

Services Sunday 27th July 2025

10.00am Morning Prayer
Leading: Ross Terranova

Reading: Ian Cropper

Psalm 67

Praying: Julien Myles

Preaching: Helen Burns, Crosslinks

6.30pm Evening Prayer Ross Terranova

Reading: Steve Campbell Ecclesiastes 2:12-26

Praying: Ruth Campbell

Preaching: Steve Wookey (DVD)

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Prayer Themes for the Week

Pray for the schools in our Parish as they begin holiday this week. Pray for the Junior School as they begin to search in the Autumn for a new Headteacher.

Please pray for those who will be visiting to preach over the summer. Pray for Helen Burns, Rachael Knapp, John Salter and Adam Tomalin.

Give thanks for our Bishops, Jonathan and Simon and pray that they will continue to give good leadership to our Diocese.

Mission Prayer Christian Pastoral Aid Society

CPAS Venture and Falcon Holidays run from 23rd July to 30th August. Please pray for everyone involved in ensuring these holidays happen; the Overall Leaders and their volunteer teams, Holiday Ministry Coordinators, Leaders and the Safeguarding Team.

Pray that the young people who go on these holidays will be kept safe and have tremendous fun. But above all, that they will hear the Good News of Jesus and come to know Him as their Lord and Saviour.

The Collect

Almighty God, send down upon your Church the riches of your Spirit, and kindle in all who minister the gospel your countless gifts of grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Thought for the Week

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, as clear as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb.

Rev 22 v 1

St. Peter's Church



Welcome

'We are here to demonstrate God's love for all as shown in Jesus to people where we live and work.'

Services Today 20th July 2025 Fifth Sunday after Trinity

10.00 am Holy Communion

Leading: Giles Williams

Reading: Psalm 107, page 610

Praying: Jenny Stout Peaching: Ross Terranova

6.30pmLeading: Carol Wellbelove
Reading: Steve Campbell

Revelation 21: 1-4, 9-27 & 22:1-5

page 1249

Praying: Chris Williams Preaching: Giles Williams

Welcome to Our Services Today

This morning we conclude our series on selected Psalms by exploring Psalm 107 under the general heading of "*God to the Rescue*". It is a Psalm full of gratitude and thanksgiving to God for the deliverance he provides in so many varied situations. Praise and thanksgiving are

the inevitable outworking in a person's life - once they have fully grasped their desperate need and the amazing salvation provided by God. Do we today reflect this thanksgiving to God?

This evening we conclude our series in the book of Revelation as we explore the amazing scenes in John's vision of the New Heaven and the New Earth.

JAM (Jesus and Me)

We thank God for the growth in our JAM group over the past year - and as this is their last Sunday together before the summer break we want to assure all of the children and young people - and their leaders, of our prayers for them over the summer holiday. Let's continue to pray that more young people will join with them on Sunday mornings!

The Bible – all you've ever wanted to know about it.

In our morning service on 10th August we will be looking at the Bible: it's origin, reliability, translation, how to read it etc.

To help us prepare a relevant service, we would be grateful if you could fill out our handout and return it to us by 3rd August at the latest.

Giles will be answering your questions about the Bible during the service.

Summer Holiday Services

As usual during late July and August we have an array of visiting speakers coming to Ditton. In the morning on July 27th we have *Helen Burns from Crosslinks*, on August 3rd *Rev Rachael Knapp Chaplain at Bennett Memorial School in Tunbridge Wells - and former Curate here*, and on Aug 17th *Canon John Salter* will be with us. On August 31st *Adam and Nomfundo Tomalin* will be here.

For evening services from July 27th - Aug 31st we will be enjoying a sermon via DVD from well-respected preachers from across the UK.

<u>Diary for w/c 20th July at St Peter's Church Mon</u>

9.30am & 11am – Junior School Leavers Assembly in Church

1.30pm – **Pre-school Leavers Assembly** in Church 7.00pm – **Prayer @ 7** – The Golding Room **Wed**

9.30am -11.00am - Crafty Coffee - Golding Room

Gift Day 2025

Our Gift Day was last Sunday but giving will continue over the coming weeks! At present the total given is £20,640. **Thank you** for your generous giving. The money given is for

- the re-roofing of the Church Centre (just in excess of £30,000) and
- a gift to Adam and Nomfundo Tomalin working with Crosslinks in KwaZulu -Natal and our new link missionaries.

Please pray and give as generously as you can, if you haven't already!

Helping the Leaders at JAM

Would you like to have fun on a Sunday morning with our amazing young people? Would you like to be part of their experience of growing in faith? JAM really need some additional helpers. These roles are helping the main leaders and does not currently involve any planning or preparation, just turning up on the day to help and support. You would be committing to 2 or 3 Sunday mornings every 6 months. You do need to complete the relevant safeguarding checks and training which Ruth would be able to discuss with you. If you are interested please let Amanda or Ruth know. Many thanks

Ladies Lunch

The next Ladies' Lunch will be on *Monday 11th August in Rochester Cathedral Crypt at 12.30pm*. Please let Jenny Stout know if you would like to attend. Please car share as much as possible.

Sandie Thomas

Tomorrow is Sandie's last working day at Ditton Church Pre-School. She has given over 20 years of brilliant service to the school and will be greatly missed by the children and staff. Thank you Sandie!

Film night!

Please put Saturday October 18th in your diary! We will be showing a film in the Church Centre with the aim of engaging the wider community. Film is a great way to prompt our thinking and imagination with some of the big issues in life. We hope that you will feel able not only to come but to invite friends and family who don't come along to anything at the Church. More info soon - watch this space!

Giving at St Peter's

We encourage everyone who considers St Peter's to be their Church to give regularly if they are able, to the work and ministry of the Church not just in our community but also so that we can fulfil our commitments to our Mission partners. If you would like to set up a regular Direct payment, please contact your bank directly to arrange this. Gift Aid forms are available in church. The Church Bank Account Name is: St Peters Ditton PCC

Account Number 00021526 Sort Code:40 52 40.

Church Office Hours

Again, this week, Carolyn will be in the Church office Monday and Tuesday 9.00am – 3.00pm (closed Wednesday).

The office will be closed in August.