

Welcome to The Parish Church of St Peter, Rushden Belong, Believe, Grow & Reach



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St Peter's Pastoral Care Team

If you have a prayer need or would appreciate a visit from one of the team, please contact Jean Bowerman in the first instance on 01933 350568.

The Prayer board in the side chapel is for you to write your prayer requests.

Prayer Ministry takes place during Holy Communion. Just go to the Side Chapel where members of our prayer team will be available to pray with you.

Tea/coffee is served after the Sunday services.

Lettings Co-ordinator for hall/church bookings

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Items for the March Notices should be received by 7pm Tuesday 25th February.

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February 2020 Church Services

2 Candlemas

10am Morning Worship & SPYS Readings:

Psalm 24 p.513 Old Testament Luke 2.22-40 p.56 New Testament

9 3rd Sunday before Lent

10am Holy Communion & SPYS Readings:

Psalm 112.1-9 p.574 Old Testament Matthew 5.13-20 p.4 New Testament

16 2nd Sunday before Lent

10am All Age Morning Worship Readings:

Matthew 6.25-end *p.5 New Testament* Psalm 136 1-9,23-end *p.587 Old Testament*

23 Sunday next before Lent

10am Holy Communion & SPYS Readings:

Exodus 24.12-end *p.72 Old Testament* Matthew 17.1-9 *p.17 New Testament*

26 Ash Wednesday

7.30pm Holy Communion Readings:

Joel 2.1-2, 12-17 p.861 Old Testament John 8.1-11 p.97 New Testament

Weekday Church Services

Mondays 8-8.30pm Night Prayer
Tuesdays 9-9.30am Morning Prayer

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

For our Mission Partners, Derek and Jane Waller:

- To be refreshed daily by their times of personal Bible reading and prayer.
- Preparation for preaching and training events.
- Fruitful times spent with other people encouraging them to know Jesus better.
- Days off leisure time.

For our Church and Outreach:

- The Launch of a Start! group in 2020 to explore the Christian faith and reflect on our life journeys.
- For everyone in our church family to rededicate their lives to the Lord in regular worship, discipleship and service; being filled and equipped by the Holy Spirit.
- Our church's finances.

Almighty and everlasting God, we thank you that you have brought us safely to the beginning of this new day.

Keep us from falling into sin or running into danger, order us in all our doings and guide us to do always what is righteous in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Changes/additions to our **February** Regulars (see the yellow sheet for St Peter's regular activities)

2	Sun	4pm	Start! Group session 5
5	Wed	9.20	Tennyson Road School Assembly
5	Wed	2.20	Alfred Street School Assembly
9	Sun	4pm	Start! Group session 6
12	Wed	2pm	Pastoral Care Team Meet
18	Tue	10am	Bereavement Support Group
25	Tue	2pm	Service at Imperial Court

Dates for your Diary . . .

Bishops Bible Days 2020 February/March

The next Bishop's Bible days will be at Peterborough Cathedral on **Saturday 22 February** 9.30am – 4pm and Northampton High School, Northampton on **Saturday 14 March** 9.30am – 4pm, see the flyers at the back of church. If would like to go you MUST book, full instructions are on the flyers. If you can offer lifts please sign up at the back of church.

World Day of Prayer

6 March 2pm at St Peter's the Apostle Roman Catholic Church, Higham Road. All are welcome.

Significant dates for your diary:

Sun 5th April 10am Annual Church Meeting
Tue 7th April Passover for Christians, 6.459.45pm SIGN UP to reserve your place!

Thu 9th April Short service of Holy Communion on Maundy Thursday 7.30pm

Fri 10th April (Good Friday) 10am Walk of witness and service in Rushden Town in the morning.

2pm An Hour at the Cross at St Peter's.

Sat 16th May 9.30 coffee for 10am start (finish 12 noon) Quiet Morning led by Rev Jenny Opperman. Come and take time out to be with our Lord and to be refreshed/renewed. SIGN UP to come along. Suggested donation £3.

Thu 21st May 7.30pm Ascension Day service of Holy Communion.

Sun 31st May 6pm United service to celebrate Pentecost

Thank you to everyone in our church family who wrote a greeting on our Christmas Greetings Tree and donated to TearFund, the total raised was £60.19.

The Salvation Army in Rushden are offering Employment Plus Local, a place where unemployed people can find info, guidance and support. If you have services/skills that you might be able to offer (e.g. CV writing, interview skills, etc.) then please speak to Rachel for more info. in the first instance.

Coffee Morning – Sat 7th March 10-11.30am in the Church hall. Donations of home-baked little and larger cakes are greatly needed each month please bring on the day, as well as books, bric-a-brac, games, toys and puzzles, in good clean condition, and unused toiletries & raffle prizes - please pass to a member of the team.

Services in February: Due to our financial shortfall for this year, our PCC has made the decision to meet for worship in the church hall during the two coldest months of the year (2020) which should help reduce our heating costs. Thanks to everyone who has committed to help with setting up the hall for worship and/or clearing away afterwards – we are grateful!