

## DIARY FOR THIS WEEK

### Today

A **HUGE** thank you to **Bernard Leckie** for being at the organ bench today whilst Simon is away.

### Wednesday

10.00am Holy Communion with Revd. Canon Chris Butt

### NEXT WEEK

August 17<sup>th</sup> ~ Ninth Sunday after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion

10.00am Parish Communion

6.30pm Said Evensong

Following the APCM, the **Electoral Roll is now open again**. If anyone would like to join/re-join the Roll, there are application forms at the back of church.

### GIFT AID ENVELOPES

If you donate cash or cheque using one of the yellow envelopes and are a UK taxpayer, please fill your name and postcode in on the front of the envelope. This allows us to claim an extra 25p from HMRC for every £1 you give. This can make a big difference to the income of the church, giving us more to fund God's work.

### Can you lend a hand?

ST. PETER'S IS ALWAYS IN NEED OF A HELPING HAND IN MANY WAYS. DO CHAT WITH REV. KATE IF YOU CAN OFFER YOUR SERVICES IN ANY WAY AND JOIN ONE OF OUR COMMITTEES AND GROUPS.



### OPEN CHURCH

The church is now open to visitors for a couple of hours on Thursday afternoons.

To carry on with this, we need volunteers please; there is a sign-up on the sheet at the back of church if you could help out for a session and be a steward. Thank you.

## WELCOME TO ST. PETER'S CHURCH

**Growing in Love, Deepening Faith,  
Working for God, Welcoming All**

*To Newcomers: We are especially glad to see you. By way of introduction please fill in a pew slip and return it to a Sidesperson or contact the Parish Office on 681 1940.*

Pew slips can be found at the back of the church.

Please take this notice sheet home.

[www.stpeterharborne.org.uk](http://www.stpeterharborne.org.uk)

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## SERVICES FOR SUNDAY AUGUST 10<sup>th</sup> 2025 EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8.00am

**HOLY COMMUNION**

Green Prayer Book

10.00am

**PARISH COMMUNION**

Common Worship ~ HA & M

Setting: Ledsham (p.16 of the service booklet)

First Hymn: 583

Gradual:451(ii)

Sermon: Revd. Canon Chris Butt

Offertory Hymn: 595

Communion Hymn: 587

Final Hymn: 650

6.30pm

**SAID EVENSONG**

Please note that the parish office will re-open at 9.00am on Tuesday August 12<sup>th</sup>.

Please note that the evening services in August continue to be SAID.

## SUNDAY AUGUST 10<sup>th</sup> 2025 EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

### Collect

Almighty Lord and everlasting God, we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of your laws and the works of your commandments; that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

### First Reading

#### Genesis 15.1-6

After these things the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, 'Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.' But Abram said, 'O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?' And Abram said, 'You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.' But the word of the Lord came to him, 'This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.' He brought him outside and said, 'Look towards heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.' Then he said to him, 'So shall your descendants be.' And he believed the Lord; and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness.

### Gospel Reading

#### Luke 12.32-40

'Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. 'Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves. 'But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.'

### Post Communion Prayer

Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands that have taken holy things; may the ears which have heard your word be deaf to clamour and dispute; may the tongues which have sung your praise be free from deceit; may the eyes which have seen the tokens of your love shine with the light of hope; and may the bodies which have been fed with your body be refreshed with the fullness of your life; glory to you for ever.

### Sound System

Whilst we are aware that there are still some issues with the sound system in church (resolution of these is in progress), we can confirm that the Hearing Loop IS working; the setting on your hearing devices must be set appropriately to access the loop.



As you will have noticed our paper recycling bins have not been emptied since Christmas; we are now at the point of drowning in cardboard packaging etc.... if you have a car with capacity and have a trip to a recycling centre already in your diary, please would you consider helping out and relieving the parish office of the ever-growing cardboard mountain. Thank you.

To mark the occasion of Pete and Diane's ordination on October 4<sup>th</sup> we are having a little collection for them. If you would like to contribute to this, please let the parish office have your donations. Diane will be serving her curacy at St Hilda's, Warley Woods. Her last Sunday at St Peter's is 24 August, so please make any contributions for Diane before then. We are delighted that Pete will serve his curacy here at St Peter's, so please make any contributions for Pete before 4 October, which is the date of the Ordination service.