DIARY FOR THIS WEEK

At communion we eat the bread and drink the wine separately; we do not dip (intinct) the wafer in the wine. If you would like a gluten-free wafer, please let the clergy or churchwardens know before the service.

A huge **THANK YOU** to our 'Poppy Team' for making the church look so beautiful on this very special day. Also thank you to our Uniform Groups, Cadets from Tennal Grange and our trumpeter Julie Spraggett.

Exploring our faith
3.30-4.30pm in the Committee Room- Last session of this short course.

Wednesday
10.00am **Morning Prayer** with **Revd. Kate Stowe**

NEXT WEEK ~ NOVEMBER 15th 2026
THE SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT
8.00am Holy Communion
10.00am Parish Communion
6.30pm Choral Evensong

Monthly Parish prayer on Zoom Tuesday 10 November 7.30pm.
We will be praying for our parish, for joining details please email revdpeteb@gmail.com

As part of **Churches Together in Harborne** we are undertaking a collection of pre-loved men's & women's clothes for **Birmingham City Mission** to distribute to the homeless. If you wish to donate socks/tights, they need to be brand new. Otherwise, pre-loved coats, jumpers, shirts, trousers etc can be placed in the boxes at the back of church. Final day of collection: **Sun 29th November '26**.

THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

We want our churches to be places of welcome and safety. Please could you take a few moments to complete a short survey about how welcome and safe you feel at your church? Scan the code opposite on your phone to start or type the web address below into your browser.
https://www.cognitoforms.com/Cofebirmingham/ParishSafeguardingSurvey2026

WELCOME TO ST. PETER'S CHURCH

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

Please take this notice sheet home.
www.stpeterharborne.org.uk
Email: parishoffice@stpeterharborne.org.uk

If you and your young children or babies need a breakout space in the service, the Side Chapel is available unless the Boulders group is using it (usually between the Collect and the Peace). It is free throughout the All Age service on the first Sunday of the month. If you use it, you will still be part of the service as there is an audio connection from the church.

SERVICES FOR SUNDAY NOVEMBER 8th 2026
REMEMBRANCE

8.00am ~ HOLY COMMUNION
Green Prayer Book

9.30am ~ PARISH COMMUNION
Common Worship ~ HA & M
Setting ~ Rizza (p18 & 19 of the service booklet)

Organ Voluntary: Vesper Voluntary no 3 ~ *Elgar*
First Hymn: 715
Offertory Hymn: 594
Sermon: Revd. Canon Kate Stowe
Anthem: Ave Verum ~ *Edward Elgar*
Communion Hymn: 448(i)
Final Hymn: 505
Organ Recessional: Nimrod (Enigma Variations) ~ *Edward Elgar*

10.50am
SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE WITH PARADE
See separate Order of Service

6.30pm
CHORAL EVENSONG
Green Prayer Book ~ NEH
Hymn: 408(i)
Responses: Ferial
Psalm: 82
OT Lesson: Judges 7.2-22
NT Lesson: John 15.9-17
Anthem: Exultate Justi ~ *Lodovico Viadana*
Homily: Jason Content (Ordinand)
Final Hymn: 420

RIP
Mary Marsh **Mary Rogers**
Mick Reynolds **Richard Hardwick**
Kevin McCarthy

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 8th 2026
REMEMBRANCE

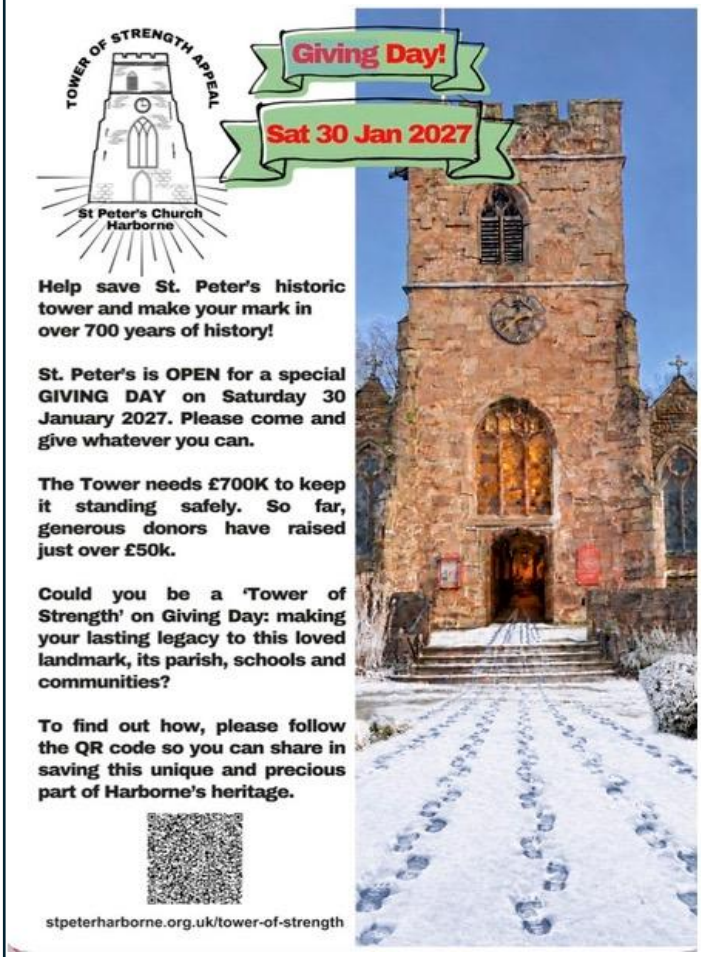
Collect
Almighty Father, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the King of all: govern the hearts and minds of those in authority, and bring the families of the nations, divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin, to be subject to his just and gentle rule; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

First Reading
Wisdom of Solomon 6:12-16
Wisdom is radiant and unfading, and she is easily discerned by those who love her, and is found by those who seek her. She hastens to make herself known to those who desire her. One who rises early to seek her will have no difficulty, for she will be found sitting at the gate.
To fix one's thought on her is perfect understanding, and one who is vigilant on her account will soon be free from care, because she goes about seeking those worthy of her, and she graciously appears to them in their paths,
and meets them in every thought.

Gospel Reading
Matthew 25:1-13
'Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, "Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him." Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, "Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out." But the wise replied, "No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves." And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, "Lord, lord, open to us." But he replied, "Truly I tell you, I do not know you." Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

Post Communion Prayer
God of peace, whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom and restored the broken to wholeness of life: look with compassion on the anguish of the world, and by your healing power make whole both people and nations;
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Christmas Postcards
Postcards and leaflets advertising our **Christmas services** and **Tower of Strength Giving Day** (see below) have been printed and are available at the back of church. **Please pick up a large handful of each** and distribute them around local streets. Please write your name and the street(s) you are delivering to on the list at the back of church to try and ensure we don't duplicate.



Gift-Aiding


A reminder: if you use one of the yellow giving envelopes, please ensure, to secure the gift aid, that the envelope is filled in and signed. For Tower donations, please write the amount you have donated on the front of the envelope so that we can log it! Thank you.

AUTOMATIC DOORS - When exiting the church, please **use the push pad on a stand to open the doors into** the porch – **do not** push doors directly as this will damage the mechanisms