

DIARY FOR THIS WEEK

TODAY

There will be a **retiring collection** in aid of **St. Agnes Children's Home, Gokwe, Zimbabwe**, which has suffered a fire recently and needs to repair buildings and contents. St. Peter's has a long connection with this charity as it was one of our Outside Giving recipients back in the 2010s. Do please give if you are able. There will be a display in the hall of pictures and information about the home.

Wednesday

10.00am **Holy Communion** with Revd. Canon Chris Butt

Next Week - SUNDAY December 1st 2024

ADVENT

8.00am Holy Communion

10.00am Parish Communion

6.30pm Advent Carol Service

Exploring the Foundations of Christian Faith/Confirmation Course for Adults Thursday evenings at 7.30pm led by Chris Butt. For more information, please contact Chris Butt (revbutt@ymail.com / 07720 865653).

Exploring the Signs in John's Gospel

The next session is on Monday November 18th looking at John 6.1-15,22-35 – The Feeding of the Five Thousand. For further details and to register your interest in joining, please contact Chris Butt 07720 [865653](tel:865653) or revbutt@ymail.com



Saturday November 30th 7pm we welcome **The Harborne Consort** to St. Peter's Church where they will take us on a musical journey '**Advent through the ages**' – a variety of seasonal works. Tickets on the door £10

There will a Christmas Craft Fayre on **Sunday December 1st after the 10.00am service** in the church hall. An assortment of goodies, edible and otherwise will be on offer, so don't forget to bring your purse or wallet!!

CHRISTMAS IS COMING!!

Postcards advertising our forthcoming services over the Advent and Christmas seasons are now at the back of church. Would you please consider taking some and delivering them in and around the local area. To avoid duplication, please note your name and the road/street you are covering on the sheet provided. 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

Email: parishoffice@stpeterharborne.org.uk

SERVICES FOR SUNDAY NOVEMBER 24th 2024 CHRIST THE KING

8.00am

Holy Communion
Green Prayer Book

10.00am PARISH COMMUNION

If you wish to receive the wine of Communion, this is received directly from the chalice; we ask that you do not intinct (dip) your wafer in the wine.

Common Worship ~ HA & M ~ Ledsham

Organ Voluntary: Chorale Prelude 'St Peter' ~ Harold Darke

Hymn: 227

Gradual Hymn: 23

Sermon: Pete Brayshaw

Offertory Hymn: 676

Anthem: Lift up your heads ~ William Matthias

Communion Hymn: 794(i)

Final Hymn: 612

Recessional Voluntary: Fanfare (op85) ~ C.S Lang

6.30pm

CHORAL EVENSONG

Green Prayer Book ~ NEH

Hymn: 332

Responses: John Sanders

Psalm: 72:1-11

Canticles: Stanford in C

OT Lesson: Daniel 5

NT Lesson: John 6.1-5

Anthem: Let all the world ~ Ralph Vaughan Williams

Sermon: Revd. Canon Chris Butt

Final Hymn: 433

Recessional: Crown Imperial ~ William Walton

RIP Stanley Owen Gwen Jones

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 24th 2024

CHRIST THE KING

Collect

Eternal Father, whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord and King: keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

First Reading

Daniel 7.9-10, 13,14

As I watched, thrones were set in place, and an Ancient One took his throne; his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames, and its wheels were burning fire. A stream of fire issued and flowed out from his presence. A thousand thousand served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him. The court sat in judgement, and the books were opened. As I watched in the night visions, I saw one like a human being coming with the clouds of heaven. And he came to the Ancient One and was presented before him. To him was given dominion and glory and kingship, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not pass away, and his kingship is one that shall never be destroyed.

Gospel Reading

John 18.33-37

Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, 'Are you the King of the Jews?' Jesus answered, 'Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?' Pilate replied, 'I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?' Jesus answered, 'My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here.' Pilate asked him, 'So you are a king?' Jesus answered, 'You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.'

Post Communion Prayer

Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may by you be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Lectio Divina will continue on the second Thursday of each month at 2.00pm on zoom. See poster at the back of church. Joining details from the parish office.

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Graeme Richardson, our vicar 2014-19, has just published a volume of poems titled 'Last of the Coalmine Choirboys', some written while he was in Harborne. They are available as a pamphlet to buy from New Walk Editions via the link <https://newwalkmagazine.com/>. The pamphlet will be launched along with one by poet Polly Walshe on Wednesday November 27th in a Zoom session from London. This event, where Graeme and Polly will read poems, followed by an audience-led Q&A session, will be hosted by New Walk editors Rory Waterman & Nick Everett. You can register to join the launch at https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_dkt7nnN1Reakk2CA4svzbw#/registration

If you are interested in ordering copy, do please notify the parish office and we will do a bulk order.

There is also an opportunity to see Graeme again, in person and listen to his poetry, amongst others, at the Birmingham Midland Institute in Birmingham on Thursday November 28th at 6.30pm; free admission but you should register your attendance by following this link <https://tinyurl.com/5xrjna2y>

"In this deeply personal collection [by GR], elegy and lament mix with tall tales and double entendre. Far from home, looking at parenting and priesthood, at the death of children and the end of childhood, these poems contend that the solution to the pain of loss and persistence of grief is humour, music, memory.

You two wait, grinning on your bikes.

We look up to the vaulting bricks.

Hello, you shout – hell-low, hell-low.

Yours are the only answers."



Advent Sunday - Mulled Wine and Mince Pies at the Vicarage

Kate and Mat would like to invite you to drop in for a glass of

mulled wine and a mince pie on the afternoon of Advent Sunday (1 December). They would be pleased to welcome you anytime between 4pm and 6pm - an ideal way of getting ready for the Advent Carol service, which follows at 6.30pm in church.

The vicarage phone is currently out of action. If you need to contact Kate, please email her, or leave a message with the parish office.

