

Welcome **ST. PETER'S BENGEWORTH** **EVESHAM**



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Pewsheets for Sunday 7th January 2018



Welcome: We extend a warm welcome to everyone attending our services and events, especially if you are new to the area or visiting us for the first time. Please stay for coffee/tea afterwards so we can meet together.

Today's Services - The Feast of the Epiphany

8.00am	Holy Communion (<i>said</i>) <i>Rev'd Mark Binney</i>
10.00am	Morning Praise for all ages <i>Elaine Major</i>
Readings (overleaf)	Heather Staite & Ros Harvey
Intercessions	Jane Richards
Hymns: Green book	209, 41, 537, 496
6.00pm	SoulFood at All Saints' Church

This Week's Church Diary

Mon 8		NB No Bengeworth PCC
Tue 9	10.00am	Holy Communion in church
Wed 10		
Thu 14	7.00pm	Asum Youth Group in church
Fri 15	7.00pm	Church Choir Practice (Bostock Room)
Sat 16		

Next Sunday, 14th January - 2nd of Epiphany

8.00am	Holy Communion (<i>said</i>) <i>Rev'd Julian Bomyer</i>	Readings (Epiphany 2, Yr B) ♦ 1 Samuel 3. 1-10 (or 20) ♦ Revelation 5. 1-10 ♦ John 1. 43-51
10.00am	Parish Eucharist <i>Rev'd Julian Bomyer</i>	
3.00pm	Baptism of Astrid Teague	
6.00pm	SoulFood at All Saints' Church	

Including Everyone: Please let the 'welcomers' know if you have any special needs that we can help with. NB *Gluten free communion wafers are now available here. Please tell one of 'the welcomers' if you require one.*



Our Church is open most days - drop in for quiet. Encourage others to do the same. Be still ... 'God to enfold you. Christ to touch you. The Spirit to surround you.'

Funerals at St. Peter's: Please note that, while our church organist, Keith, does not normally play for funerals at St. Peter's, he is very willing to do so if requested. Such a request is made via the funeral director or Benefice Office.

Notices

Communications: If you would like any items included in this Pewsheets - or the News Extra that goes to the whole benefice - please send them to one of the Churchwardens:
+ Marie Bomyer - marie@bomyer.co.uk; or
+ Dave Cockram - dave@littleton.entadsl.com
by close of play on Wednesdays.

Last-minute items can usually be included if they are with us at the Benefice Office (see below) by first thing Friday mornings.

Our New Year's resolution is to make the info on our publications as reliable as possible.



St. Peter's Key - our Parish Magazine: Thank you to everyone who has already renewed their subscription to St. Peter's Key and to those who deliver copies and have handed over subscription money. It would be helpful if everyone who wants a copy would subscribe, to make sure there are enough available and avoid wastage. There is a form in the January issue which you can use, if you have not yet renewed.

Please do not leave any money at the back of church; put everything into an envelope and either hand it to me or get it put into the vestry.

Thank you, *Marie Bomyer*, Editor



For our Prayers this week

- + those who fear the year ahead; those hoping for a better future after sad and difficult times;
- + our National Health Service, its staff and managers, at this time of severe demand and high pressure;
- + the Holy Land in all its tension and uncertainty; for new commitments towards a peace process;
- + Christians facing increasing persecution and in danger because of their faith; the Barnabas Fund supporting our brothers and sisters in these circumstances;
- + those who lead the nations of the world; the continuing tensions between North Korea and the United States and those trying to negotiate calmly;
- + our four churches, the Churchwardens, clergy and Readers - and our working more closely together now that we are all sharing one benefice.



For those who are sick, in special need or housebound: Janet Bailey, Beattie Ballard, Pearl Bradley, Daniel Crockford; Richard Emson, Sylvia Emson, Betty Gadsby; Barbara Line, Judith Smart; Julie and Pete; Ken Smith.

For those who have died, and all who mourn them: Hannah Huckfield; Peter Cooke; Ruth James; Doreen Kedward.

CHURCH CONTACTS

Benefice Office, normally staffed 9.15am to 1.15pm Mon-Fri. Call Elaine or Nick on **01386 446381** or email: office@hamptonchurch.org.uk



This church has an audio loop system



Our Benefice is part of the Asum Group of Parishes

Large print service and hymn books are available at the back of Church. Please ask the welcomers - or help yourself!

News Extra - Sunday 7th January 2018

from around and beyond our Churches

This Week

Launch of 2018 'Reduce Plastic in the Vale by 50%' in the Market Square, Evesham

Monday 8th Jan 11.00 am

A campaign led by Transition Evesham Vale & Evesham Methodist Church.

All of our churches are encouraged to join in. How much plastic do we use? And then throw away?



Later this month...

Our Care Homes - Worship Review

After more than three months or so of sharing worship in our two local care homes (Austen Court and The Hawthorns), it is time for us to review how we (and they) think it is going, and how we might learn and share this ministry with others.

To this end, all those involved and anyone else interested are invited to a meeting on **Tuesday 30th January, 2.00pm** at the Benefice Office (next to Hampton Vicarage). Please book the date! (If it turns out that several people can't manage this, we'll try for another date).

Opportunities

SoulFood is Recruiting New Team Members!

SoulFood is a CTED service that is held at All Saints' Church every Sunday evening at 6pm. Now in our fourth year we need some more team members to come and help us and be a part of this innovative missional service.

SoulFood is 'dinner church' and creates contemplative prayer stations each week to explore a central weekly theme, which each team sets.

We are looking for team members who are either able to host or create or both!



For a chat about how you may be able to help, please call Sarah Hewitt on 07456 549969 or email her on: sarahjaynehewitt@gmail.com. Thank you :)

Ecclesiastical Insurance Group An Offer for You and Your Church

To celebrate their 130th anniversary, Ecclesiastical is offering to donate £130 to your church when a new home insurance policy is taken out.

They say: 'We're proud that customers across the UK have voted Ecclesiastical as the UK's Most Trusted Home Insurance provider, ahead of all other insurers. To celebrate this achievement, and in recognition of our 130 year anniversary, we'll donate £130 to your church if you take out a new home insurance policy with us.'

If you are interested, check out their website or call 0800



WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY 18th - 25th January 2018



Theme: 'That all may be free'
Prayer Together in Evesham

United Services around Evesham - to which we are all invited...

Thursday 18th - 12.00 noon - St Andrew's Hampton
Friday 19th - 1.00 pm - Salvation Army (with light lunch)
Saturday 20th - 7.30 pm - Elim Church
Sunday 21st - 6.00 pm - SoulFood - All Saints
Monday 22nd - 2.00 pm - Society of Friends
Tuesday 23rd - 12.00 noon - Baptist Church (with light lunch)
Wednesday 24th - 7.30 pm - Vale of Evesham Christian Centre



Vacancies for the role of DAC Adviser

The Diocesan Advisory Committee for the Care of Church Buildings is looking to recruit new advisers in the following areas:

- Art & Stained Glass Adviser
- Graveyards Adviser
- Structural Engineering Adviser
- Tree Adviser

If you have any of these specialisms, or know someone who has, please get in contact. Further details of the duties and responsibilities of these posts, which are voluntary, may be obtained from the DAC Secretary, Mark Carter, on mcarter@cofe-worcester.org.uk or 01905 732809.



A Large Print version of the Sunday Readings sheet is now available each week - please ask the welcomers or churchwardens for your copy.