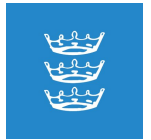




THE WEEK AHEAD



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Worship this week

1st Sunday of Advent
10am Eucharist Facebook
6pm Advent Carol Service

Midweek services

Wednesday 7pm Said Eucharist

Thursday 11am Said Eucharist

Community Events

Coffee Shop
Monday - Thursday
10am - 1pm

Open House
Tuesday 9.30am Church Hall

Games Group
Thursday 10am Coffee Shop

Knitting Group
Thursday 5pm

Church Groups

Thursday 7.30pm
Bell Ringing Practice

Friday 7pm
Choir Rehearsal

Serving God, by serving you, your family & the Community

Welcome to St Peter's Church, Filton. We are a friendly, inclusive church welcoming everyone who wishes to worship with us. Join us in whatever way you can.



www.facebook.com/stpetersfilton



Meeting ID: 349 514 8166
Password: 154508
Tel: 0203 481 5240

Giving to Church

We are now fundraising for repairs to the church organ. Please continue to give generously and fundraise where possible for the church organ and for general church funds. You can continue to give online by clicking on the "donate button" on the home page of our [website](#), or simply scan this QR code:

Thank you so much for your continued support in the upkeep of your church.



Christmas Singalong

Our ever-popular Christmas singalong is back for another year! Join us on **Wednesday 11th December at 12:30pm** here in the church to join in with all your favourite Christmas songs and carols. It's always great fun, so polish up your actions to the 12 Days of Christmas, dig out your most festive jumper and come and join us!

Of your charity please pray for:

- **Those acutely unwell:** Thelma Mountford, Roger Wools, Jen Morgan, Pat Brown, Jenny Wells, June Watkins
- **Those with chronic or long-term conditions:** Katie Roberts-Malpass, Joan Down, Lilian Smith, Marian Bryant
- **Those in need:**
- **Our local community:** Bristol and Bath Parks Foundation
- **Our Church and the wider diocese of Bristol** especially our Deanery Synod representatives
- **The departed:** Doreen Hook
- **Those whose anniversary falls this week:** John Griffin, Iris Bateman, Eddy Mansfield

For a monthly diocesan prayer cycle, please see [link](#)

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility; that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

St Peter's Church Organ

St Peter's church organ is in need of repair to the blower box, which houses the motor. Without this, we have no bellows, so no wind to go through the pipes. The removal and replacement work is estimated to be around **£10,000**. Over the coming months we will be arranging various events to fundraise for this. Please help as much as you can. If you would like to get involved, please speak to our organist Viv.

Sisters of the Church Christmas Appeal

Please consider donating the following items to the appeal, to help the Sisters donate much needed supplies to those in greatest need in our community. They need the following, which you can leave at the back of church:

- ★ Hats, gloves, scarves and socks, for men AND women
- ★ Toiletry sets, for men AND women
- ★ £15 Argos OR One4all gift cards for children - we would be delighted with either donations towards gift cards, or the gift cards themselves.

Thank you for your support at this time of year when so many are struggling.

Advent Preparation

Walk with Me booklets are now available at the back of church, £1 each. These little books provide readings and prayers to take you through the Advent season.

Advent Psalm

Through Advent, the choir will sing a responsorial psalm, to which you are welcome to join the response. This week the response is

To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.

Notices are continued overleaf..

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Church Wardens Thomas Moller & Janet Moller wardens.stpeterschurchfilton@gmail.com

News Sheet Editor Faith Tutton faith.stpeterschurchfilton@gmail.com

Vacancy

St Peter's is currently without a permanent priest, and services will be covered by Revd Rod, Revd Allan, and a number of visiting priests until the PCC can appoint a permanent Rector. You may find that there is some disruption to midweek services but we will always do our best to notify you on social media, by email, or in the news sheet, if this is the case. Sunday services will of course remain unaffected. During the vacancy, depending on what assistance you need, please see the next page for a list of useful contacts. We will do our best to help you but we are all still finding our feet, so please bear with us in this period of transition.

Useful contacts during the vacancy

Faith, your administrator, for general church enquiries, and enquiries relating to baptisms, weddings, Banns, and funerals: faith.stpeterschurchfilton@gmail.com

Thomas and Janet, your Church Wardens, for any concerns regarding the church building, or church services: wardens.stpeterschurchfilton@gmail.com

Anne-Louise Pam for safeguarding concerns about any member of the congregation: almenta@hotmail.co.uk

Claire Eade for any concerns regarding pastoral care: claire.stpeterschurchfilton@gmail.com

John Cahill for any financial enquiries: treasurer.stpeterschurchfilton@gmail.com

Mandy Leslie for Coffee Shop enquiries: coffee.stpeterschurchfilton@gmail.com

Nick Moller for Church Hall bookings: bookhall.stpeterschurchfilton@gmail.com

The church mobile (07452 992 122) will be held by the Church Wardens. Whilst they will check it regularly, please try to contact people in the ways detailed above.

Vacancy Collect

This prayer has been created by the PCC as we begin the process of recruiting a new parish priest. You may wish to add it to your prayers as the PCC navigates this process on behalf of the church and the wider parish.

Holy, generous, gracious God, in whose presence we know love and support

We come further into your presence in our intercessions to you, seeking your guidance, seeking calm and peace.

In you may we find understanding, as we long to make sense of your world

In you may we find strength, in the times that we are weary, or needing relief from stress

In you may we find our lives fulfilled, as we respond to your call on our lives.

We ask this in reverence and humility, with hopeful and thankful hearts, in communion with all of the saints

Amen