	THIS WEEK	NEXT WEEK
	Lent 3 **8th March**	**Mothering Sunday** **15th March**
11.00am **Celebrant** **Readings** **Reader** **Prayers**	Parish Eucharist Fr Andrew Psalm 95 John 4.5-42 Adrian Norris Stephen Dixon	Third Sunday Eucharist Fr Andrew Psalm 127.1-4 John 19.25-27 Stephen Dixon Alan Roadley
Wednesday	10.30am Midweek Eucharist	10.30am Midweek Eucharist
Thursday	10.00am Thursday Chat	10.00am Thursday Chat 11.00am Lunch Club
Saturday	7.00pm Orchestra Concert	

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VISITOR INFORMATION

We are here to welcome everyone and we want to help those who have dementia to feel safe and help them to worship with us.
Hearing loop: If you are wearing a hearing aid, turn the control to T.
If you wish to make a donation to St Peter's and you are a taxpayer, please remember that donations can be "gift aided" by completing one of the envelopes available by the door.
Should the fire alarm sound whenever you are in church this will be for real. You should immediately leave church by either the main door, the fire door on the north side or through the choir vestry and await further instructions by the war memorial. Church members who are responsible for the event should supervise the evacuation.

Please hold in your prayers: Heather Slater, John Binns, Neville Artingstall, Graham Lawson, Karen Hardisty, Malcolm Maciver, Jacqueline Flood, Barbara Marshall, Jane Chamberlain, Julie Wilson, Joanne Creighton.
Memorial book: William Pixton, Alan Billington, Doris Foulds, Lily Walker, Robinson Batey, Muriel Alice Lovgreen, Bertha Barlow Hadfield, Ethel M Tomblin.

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Midweek Eucharist Join us on Wednesday morning for our weekly communion service at 10.30am.

Thursday Chat Come and join us for our as we continue the Lent Course on Thursday at 10.00am. Church open from 9.30am.

Easter Gifts If you would like to contribute towards Easter gifts for the children please see Meena.

St Peter's 100 Club It is time to renew your entry into the 100 Club. If you are already a member, there will be a letter for you at the back of church to collect. Last year the Club raised £974 towards church funds so please renew your entry. There are more numbers available, so if you are not yet a member and would like to be, or if you would like to buy an extra number(s), please complete one of the application forms at the back of church and return to Andrew Buchanan. The prizes in 2026/2027 will be £100 at Pentecost and £100 at Christmas and £10 in the other 10 months of the year.

Parochial Church Council Do you want to help manage the church? If so, please consider joining the PCC. At the Annual Meeting on 17 May next, there will be at least three vacancies which we urgently need to fill. The PCC only meets four times each year but the business is important. If you would like more information, please speak to the PCC Secretary or one of the churchwardens. All members of the PCC must have safeguarding training. This has been arranged in person in church for Tuesday 24 March and Tuesday 21 April 2026 at 5.30pm for 2 hours on both occasions. If you are considering membership of the PCC, it would be helpful if you could attend both sessions together with all existing members.

Thursday Lunch Club The Lunch Club meets at 11.30am on the first and third Thursday of the month (unless otherwise advised) and is open to anyone who wishes to attend. Numbers are limited to 30. The lunch costs £10 each time or at Christmas £15. At present there are around 12 vacant spots and if you would like to join the club, please speak to our catering manager Cynthia Bramley who organises the club and cooks the lunches and she will be able to let you have more details. There is no obligation to attend each time, but just to let Cynthia know if you are not going to be there. The club raises funds for the church, so if you join, you will be enjoying a delicious lunch and raising funds for the church!

Readings and prayers for this week

Collect

Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.Amen

Reading: Psalm 95

1 O come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
2 Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!
3 For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.
4 In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also.
5 The sea is his, for he made it, and the dry land, which his hands have formed.

6 O come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!
7 For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

O that today you would listen to his voice!
8 Do not harden your hearts, as at Meribah, as on the day at Massah in the wilderness,
9 when your ancestors tested me, and put me to the proof, though they had seen my work.
10 For forty years I loathed that generation and said, 'They are a people whose hearts go astray, and they do not regard my ways.'
11 Therefore in my anger I swore, 'They shall not enter my rest.'

Reading: John 4.5-42

5 So he came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. **6** Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon.

7 A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, 'Give me a drink'. **8** (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) **9** The Samaritan woman said to him, 'How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?' (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) **10** Jesus answered her, 'If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, "Give me a drink", you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water.' **11** The woman said to him, 'Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? **12** Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?' **13** Jesus said to her, 'Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, **14** but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life.' **15** The woman said to him, 'Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water.'

16 Jesus said to her, 'Go, call your husband, and come back.' **17** The woman answered him, 'I have no husband.' Jesus said to her, 'You are right in saying, "I have no husband"; **18** for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is

true!' **19** The woman said to him, 'Sir, I see that you are a prophet. **20** Our ancestors worshipped on this mountain, but you[c] say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem.' **21** Jesus said to her, 'Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. **22** You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. **23** But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. **24** God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.' **25** The woman said to him, 'I know that Messiah is coming' (who is called Christ). 'When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us.' **26** Jesus said to her, 'I am he, the one who is speaking to you.'

27 Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, 'What do you want?' or, 'Why are you speaking with her?' **28** Then the woman left her water-jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, **29** 'Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?' **30** They left the city and were on their way to him.

31 Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, 'Rabbi, eat something.' **32** But he said to them, 'I have food to eat that you do not know about.' **33** So the disciples said to one another, 'Surely no one has brought him something to eat?' **34** Jesus said to them, 'My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work. **35** Do you not say, "Four months more, then comes the harvest"? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting. **36** The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. **37** For here the saying holds true, "One sows and another reaps." **38** I sent you to reap that for which you did not labour. Others have laboured, and you have entered into their labour.'

39 Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony, 'He told me everything I have ever done.' **40** So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there for two days. **41** And many more believed because of his word. **42** They said to the woman, 'It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Saviour of the world.'

Post Communion

Merciful Lord, grant your people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh and the devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow you, the only God; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Centenary Prayer

Heavenly Father, in our Centenary year we rededicate ourselves and our Diocese to you. Send the Holy Spirit to give us confidence in our witness, generosity in our service, and love for our neighbours, that your Church may be renewed and many come home to you, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen**

Today's Hymns

310 In Christ alone
704 We love the place O God
157 Firmly I believe and truly
552 Praise the Lord! heavens