

Today's Events

8.00am BCP Service **9.15am** Morning Praise

11.00am Informal Gathering



Church Diary

Monday 13th January: 11am: Hampton Bible Study

Tuesday 14th January: 10am: Holy Communion,
7.30pm Prayer Meeting

Thursday 16th January: 10am Ashes Burial Rosalyn
Smith

Friday 17th January: 10am Choir Practice

Sunday 19th January: 8am BCP Service, 9.15am
Parish Eucharist, 11.00am Informal Gathering



Safeguarding: Our Safeguarding Officer is: Julie Rowell 07746 388 985, safeguarding@stpetersbengeworth.org. You can also contact the Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser, Hilary Highton on 07495 060 869. If you have concerns about the immediate safety of someone, please don't delay in dialling 999 and ask for the police.



weekly sheet

Baptism of Christ - 12th January 2025



St Peter's Church, Port St, Evesham.

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Collect

Eternal Father,
who at the baptism of Jesus
revealed him to be your Son,
anointing him with the Holy Spirit:
grant to us, who are born again by water and the
Spirit,
that we may be faithful to our calling as your
adopted children;
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.

Reading

Isaiah 43:1-7

1 But now, this is what the Lord says—
he who created you, Jacob,
he who formed you, Israel:
“Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;
I have summoned you by name; you are mine.
2 When you pass through the waters,
I will be with you;
and when you pass through the rivers,
they will not sweep over you.

Alpha - coming soon!

Are you looking for a meaningful way to brighten those long winter evenings? Well, we've got just the thing! The next Alpha course kicks off at St Peter's on Thursday 30th January 2025 😊

Alpha is all about exploring life, faith, and meaning in a relaxed and friendly environment. It's primarily aimed at those curious about Christianity, new to faith, and looking for a place to connect with others



We'll have hot coffee, delicious treats, and plenty of warm, welcoming faces to make you feel at home.

Each evening includes a thought-provoking video and an open, no-pressure discussion where you can share your thoughts—or just listen if you prefer.

So why not join us? Bring a friend or come on your own—you'll leave with good conversation, new perspectives, and maybe even a few new friends.



Notices



Prayer Compass Meeting

We are excited to invite you to the next Prayer Compass meeting, a wonderful opportunity to worship, pray, discuss, and praise with others from across the local area. The meeting will be held **online via Zoom** on

Tuesday, 14 January 2025, at 7:30pm.



Details to join:

Scan QR code to access link to meeting

Meeting ID: 862 3564 0653

Passcode: 739549



Please note, you will need the Zoom app downloaded in order to access this meeting

The theme for this session is "Prayer and Share", and we will be hearing inspiring stories, including:

- John Steel-Marriot (HOD): Pilgrimage to St Iago de Compostela
- Steve Mizzi (Elim Evesham): How God guided the purchase of their new building

Blessings,
Mike Davis & Peter Rowell

When you walk through the fire,
you will not be burned;
the flames will not set you ablaze.

3 For I am the Lord your God,
the Holy One of Israel, your Savior;
I give Egypt for your ransom,
Cush and Seba in your stead.

4 Since you are precious and honored in my sight,
and because I love you,
I will give people in exchange for you,
nations in exchange for your life.

5 Do not be afraid, for I am with you;
I will bring your children from the east
and gather you from the west.

6 I will say to the north, 'Give them up!'
and to the south, 'Do not hold them back.'

Bring my sons from afar
and my daughters from the ends of the earth—

7 everyone who is called by my name,
whom I created for my glory,
whom I formed and made."



Gospel Reading



Matthew 16:13-20

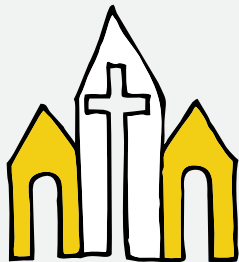
13 When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say the Son of Man is?"

14 They replied, "Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, Jeremiah or one of the prophets."

15 "But what about you?" he asked. "Who do you say I am?"

16 Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God."

17 Jesus replied, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by flesh and blood, but by my Father in heaven. **18** And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it. **19** I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." **20** Then he ordered his disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.



Prayer List

For those who are sick, in special need or

housebound: Mark Bartlett, Dave Cockram, Colin Hemming, Wayne and Ella Edgington, Ella Graves, Susan Temple Murray, Eileen Pieters, Helen Shepherd (Pat Bullman's daughter), Janet Southwell

Prayers for the family/friends of the deceased

Sylvia Buckland, Geoff Cottam, William Alyn Saunders, Rosalyn Smith



Post Communion

Lord of all time and eternity,
you opened the heavens and revealed yourself as
Father

in the baptism of Jesus your beloved Son:
by the power of your Spirit
complete the heavenly work of our rebirth
through the waters of the new creation;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

