

Today's Events

8.00am BCP Service **9.15am** Parish Eucharist
11.00am Informal Gathering



Church Diary

Monday 20th January: 11am: Hampton Bible Study,
7pm: PCC Meeting

Tuesday 21st January: 10am: Holy Communion,
7.30pm: Prayer Meeting

Wednesday 22nd January: 11am Funeral of William
Alyn Saunders at the Vale

Thursday 23rd January: 1.30pm Funeral of the late
Sylvia Buckland

Friday 24th January: 10am Choir Practice

Sunday 26th 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

Epiphany 2 - 19th January 2025



St Peter's Church, Port St, Evesham.

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Collect



Almighty God,
 in Christ you make all things new:
 transform the poverty of our nature
 by the riches of your grace,
 and in the renewal of our lives
 make known your heavenly glory;
 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

1 Corinthians 12:1-11

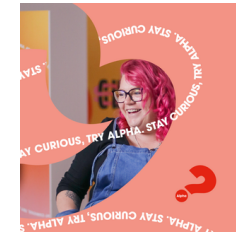
1 Now about the gifts of the Spirit, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. **2** You know that when you were pagans, somehow or other you were influenced and led astray to mute idols. **3** Therefore I want you to know that no one who is speaking by the Spirit of God says, "Jesus be cursed," and no one can say, "Jesus is Lord," except by the Holy Spirit.



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 cold drinks, a delicious cheeseboard, 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



Your Good News!

We want to hear your good news!

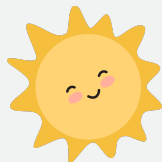
Let's be honest—sometimes life feels a bit heavy, doesn't it?

But even in the toughest seasons, God blesses us with moments of joy, big and small, that brighten our days.

Do you have a good news story to share? Whether it's something monumental like a new family member, a much-loved pet joining the family, or simply a 'small win' like the delight of finding the perfect coffee spot, we want to celebrate those moments with you!

Maybe you've enjoyed a special walk in the sunshine, reconnected with an old friend, or discovered a hidden talent. Whatever it is, we'd love to include it in the next edition of the newsletter to remind us all of God's goodness and give us a reason to smile.

Drop us an email or chat with Kimberley (Church Admin) to share your story. Let's spread some joy and thanksgiving together!



4 There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. **5** There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. **6** There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work. **7** Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good. **8** To one there is given through the Spirit a message of wisdom, to another a message of knowledge by means of the same Spirit, **9** to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by that one Spirit, **10** to another miraculous powers, to another prophecy, to another distinguishing between spirits, to another speaking in different kinds of tongues, and to still another the interpretation of tongues. **11** All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and he distributes them to each one, just as he determines.



Gospel Reading



Matthew 16:13-20

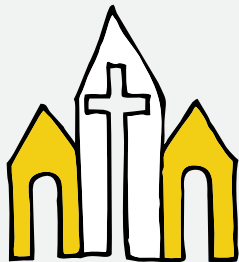
13 When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say the Son of Man is?"

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).

Prayers for the family/friends of the deceased
Sylvia Buckland, Geoff Cottam, William Alyn Saunders, Rosalyn Smith



Post Communion

God of glory,
you nourish us with your Word
who is the bread of life:
fill us with your Holy Spirit
that through us the light of your glory
may shine in all the world.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

