

ST PETER'S WEEKLY NEWS

17 DECEMBER 2023



CHILDREN'S FACILITIES – Activities and toys for children during Mass can be found at West End of the Church and in the Lady Chapel.

IVY CAFÉ – every Wednesday afternoon from 3.00pm. Our last session before the Christmas break is Wednesday 20th December, (3.00 – 4.00 pm), and will be suitably festive. Non-regulars, as always, are welcome to be with us. A big 'thank you' to everyone for another successful year. We will meet again on the 10th January.

CHOIR PRACTICE – The Choir are now on Christmas break. **Practice will resume on** Friday 5th January at 6.00pm. Choir practice also takes place on Sundays at 9:15am and after coffee.

ST PETER'S CONCERT DATES –

December 23rd 7:30pm The Night Before Christmas. London's most versatile vocal ensemble, The Park Lane Quintet lead favourite Christmas songs plus traditional carols with organ. Christmas readings and A festive sing along with mulled wine and mince pies; the perfect intro to Christmas. Tickets £15 from Eventbrite.co.uk – <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/the-night-before-christmas-tickets-742923272507?aff=ebdsoporgprofile> (search The night before Christmas) and at the door on the evening.

DER ZIMBELSTERN – Our new Zimbelstern (bells stop) was installed for Advent Sunday, making us the only church in West London to have one. Mark has explained the history and liturgical significance of the Zimbelstern, with a photo of ours on the organ restoration display at the back of church. Do have a look.

MINCE PIES!!! – Volunteers to make (or buy!) Mince Pies for our 2 festive events. The Carol Service 17th December & the Concert 23rd December. Please let Rosanna know or sign the list at the back of the church. Mulled wine and suitable soft drinks will be served at these events. Rosanna32@btinternet.com

DIGITAL ORDERS OF SERVICE. One of the many things we have learnt through lockdown is the use of digital orders of service. This can be emailed to you during the week, allowing you to download the order onto your digital device (smartphone; tablet etc). This saves a huge amount on paper and printing. If you would like to do this and don't yet receive the order of service digitally, please contact the parish office and Lesley will be very happy to add you to our list.

STEWARDSHIP – St Peter's is reliant on the generous support of its congregation. Our preference is for regular standing orders into the Church's bank account. One off gifts can be made easily via the tap-to-donate point at the back of the Church, or through our Online Giving Page – a link to which can be found on the 'Support' page of our

website. Gift Aid declarations can be made via the tap-to-donate point and Online Giving Page (if we don't already have one from you).

**Parish Bank details are: Acc Name: Parochial Church Council of St Peters
Ealing Parish Acc No: 60377082: Sort Code: 401158**

ECWNS – St Peter's is helping to host the homeless as part of the Ealing Churches Winter Night Shelter programme (ECWNS) as we have done in previous years. We will give up to 14 guests dinner and bed and breakfast for the night in the church. To do this we need volunteers to cook, look after our guests both in the evening and overnight, and then provide breakfast before getting the sheets washed and the equipment driven over to the next church. Sounds like a lot but we split it up into manageable parcels and the more that volunteer the easier it gets! If you're interested in volunteering, please email rolandstumpf@yahoo.com to let him know what you are happy to help with and further details or if you just want to discuss please speak to Father David, Adam Grimley or Roland Stumpf.

ADVENT 2023 – a number of events have been planned to mark Advent this year. Please see the Advent pamphlet available at the welcomers desk for more information. As our Advent Course we are using **Searching for Home: Advent Reflections on the God who welcomes everyone** by Cole Moreton. If you would like to join the Advent Course sign up on the list available at the Churchwardens Desk. The course book is available for Church House Bookshop and Pitshanger Bookshop.

A CHRISTMAS CAROL – Performed by Saltmine Theatre Company, Haven Green Baptist church, Thursday 21 December, 7.00pm. Further details at back of church.

PARISH OFFICE – The Parish Office will close for Christmas at 12 noon on Wednesday 20 December and will re-open at 10am on Wednesday 3 January.

The Post Box is now available at the back of the church for the posting of Christmas Cards for other members of the congregation.

PLEASE LOOK AND SEE IF THERE ARE CARDS FOR YOU TO COLLECT!!

CHRISTMAS AT ST PETER'S

TODAY: CAROL SERVICE 5.30pm

Followed by mince pies & mulled wine

Saturday 23rd: The Night before Christmas - Concert 7.30pm

Sunday 24th December: CHRISTMAS EVE

Parish Mass (Advent 4) 10.00am

Christingle Service for all the family 4.00 pm

Midnight Mass 11.30 pm

Monday 25th December: CHRISTMAS DAY

Mass of the Holy Nativity 10.00 am

Sunday 31st December

Parish Mass 10.00am

Monday 1st January

New Year's Day Mass 12 noon

Parish Contact Details:

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Office Hours: Monday – Friday: 10am-12noon	Click here for St Peter's online Giving page
Parish Wi-Fi: Name: StPeter-Guest; Password: StPeter1662	Parish Office Hours are 10-12 noon Monday to Friday

Worship this week	
Sunday 17th December Advent 3 9am Pebbles 10am Parish Mass 5.30pm Carol Service by Candlelight	Sunday 24th December Advent 4 10am Parish Mass Christmas Eve 4pm Christingle Service 11.30pm Midnight Mass Christmas Day 10am Mass of the Holy Nativity
Daily Prayer:	
Morning Prayer: Mon to Thurs at 9am Evening Prayer: Mon, Tues & Thurs at 5pm Compline: Tuesday (Zoom) 9.30pm Contemplative Prayer: Wednesday at 4.30pm	For information about baptisms, weddings and funerals please contact Fr David or the Parish Office.
Notices & Diary Dates:	
December: TODAY: 5.30pm Carol Service by Candlelight (Church) 18th: 7pm Advent Course (Zoom) 20th: 6pm AI Letter Writing Group (Zoom) 23rd: 7pm Christmas Concert: "The night before Christmas" (Church) 24th: 4pm Christingle Service (Church); 11.30pm Midnight Mass 25th: 10am Mass of the Holy Nativity	January 2024: 1st: 12 noon New Years Day Mass and drinks at the Vicarage 7th: 11.30am Events Team Meeting 8th: 7.30pm Standing Committee Meeting 13th: 10am Best Feet Forward 15th: 7.30pm Safeguarding Team Meeting (Vicarage) 18th: 7pm Beer and Curry Meeting (The Grange Pub, Ealing Common and the India Villa, Station Parade) 23rd: 7.30pm PCC Meeting (Vicarage)
This Week's Reading Programme:	
Mon: Isaiah 38.1-8, 21-22; Matthew 16.13-end Tues: Isaiah 38.9-20; Matthew 17.1-13. Weds: Isaiah 39; Matthew 17.14-21. Thurs: Zephaniah 1.1—2.3; Matthew 17.22-end. Fri: Zephaniah 3.1-13; Matthew 18.1-20. Sat: Zephaniah 3.14-end; Matthew 18.21-end.	
Prayer Requests:	
Please pray for: Sick: Roy Honey; Harry Jones; Richard Dubois. Recently deceased: Andrei Doicin; Jane Robinson (Deacon); Henrietta Owens. Years Mind: week 17-23 December: Diana Hewlings; Beatrice Clover; Daphne Doherty. Parish family: Germaine Kemplay-Amow; Jina Kiram, Joy, Harri and Daniel Choufar; Ann Lazarow; Christine, Steve & Angus Macallister; Richard, Emily, John, Oliver & Chloe Martin; Pat Maufe; Matthew, Allison, Megan & Oliver McAllister; Angus McAvoy; Doreen, Hugh, Ashleigh & Joshua McGovern; Madeleine & Richard Morse. (To add names to this list please contact Fr David or the Parish Office)	