



Journeying together with God

SERVICES THIS SUNDAY ARE:

10am in the Church

from 10am online, watch our Live streamed service from the safety of your home

6pm Compline, streamed on both our website and our Facebook page

7pm Inclusive Service in the lower hall

www.peterborough-stmarys.org.uk



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OTHER SERVICES THIS WEEK ARE:

WEDNESDAY: Said Communion 11am in the Church

WEEKDAYS: Please join in spirit with Michael & Keri as alternately they say Morning Prayer at 9am each day. The order of service each day is available from the Church of England website or the Daily Prayer App. The Bible readings for Morning Prayer this week are:

Monday	1 Sam. 10: 1-16	Luke 22: 24-30
Tuesday	1 Sam. 10: 17-end	Luke 22: 31-38
Wednesday	1 Sam. Ch. 11	Luke 22: 39-46
Thursday	1 Sam. Ch. 12	Luke 22: 47-62
Friday	1 Sam. 13: 5-18	Luke 22: 63-end
Saturday	Ecclus. 48: 1-10 Or 1 Kings 19: 1-16	2 Pet. 1: 16-19

This week:

Please pray for:

- our Bishops Donald and John, and their work across the Diocese
- households struggling to pay all their bills
- the two candidates for Prime Minister, and those who will make the choice
- those across the world without access to clean water and sanitation
- those suffering from cancer and their families
- integrity in those who report our news
- our summer fundraiser for the work of 'Mary's Child'

Please check our website frequently just in case we need to make any last minute changes!

Dates for your diary:

This week:

- **TONIGHT: Peterborough Inclusive Church 7pm-9pm Lower Hall**
- **Mid-week Communion Service Wed 27th Jul 11am-11:30am Church**
- **Friday Night Worship Fri 5th Aug 7pm-8:30pm Church**

Notices:

UPDATED ARRANGEMENTS FOR SUNDAY WORSHIP AT ST MARY'S

It is up to you if you wish to wear a mask or gloves. Please sanitize your hands when entering the church building and when leaving.

ST MARY'S PRAYER LINK

Our Prayer Link is used for urgent prayer requests. If you have an urgent prayer request between Thursday 28th July and Monday 1st August, please contact Jo Sennett on Tel: 07535 782705 or email: josennett1@outlook.com Thank you.

INCLUSIVE CHURCH PETERBOROUGH MEETS ON SUNDAY EVENINGS FROM 7PM TO 9PM IN ST MARY'S LOWER HALL

We come together to be challenged and encouraged by God's word and to receive strength and support from God and from one another. We don't all believe exactly the same things. And yet in the midst of our diversity, we build community, grounded in God's radically inclusive love for all people. We can't have all the answers ourselves, but ICP is a good place to share the questioning together, to search for deeper insights, and to celebrate our common journey.

<http://inclusivepeterborough.uk/inclusive-church/>

All Welcome. Contact Vicky Brett on 07957 855790 or inclusive.peterborough@gmail.com

NEW ARRANGEMENTS FOR OUR 6PM SUNDAY EVENING SERVICES

From the start of May we have introduced new arrangements for Sunday evenings – although they are less 'new' than a return to our pre-pandemic patterns. We are very grateful to Elizabeth and Stuart Pedley for giving us online Compline services each Sunday for the past two years, and they will still be doing this on the first Sunday of each month, at 6pm. On the second Sunday of each month we will have Evensong at 6pm, live in church, and on the third Sunday we will have Compline at 6pm, also live in church. And on the fourth Sunday there's the opportunity to attend the popular 6pm City Praise Service in the Cathedral.

REPAIRS TO WALL AND FRONT STEPS AT CHURCH

The start date for these works has been changed – date to be confirmed.

BRINGING GEORGE TO SUNDAY COMMUNION

We are looking to re-establish a rota on bringing George to St Mary's. George only lives in Star Road and is free anytime from 9:10am up to the service start to be picked up or to walk over. Responsibilities involve bringing and returning George and sitting with him during service and taking him in for coffee time.

Can you help on one Sunday a month? If so please see Andrew or email: bells@peterborough-stmarys.org.uk/ call: 07954 405924.

FRIDAY NIGHT WORSHIP

You are warmly invited to join us for our service in church at 7pm on Friday 5th August 2022. We are using the theme 'I AM'. We do hope that you can join us.

PATRONAL FESTIVAL LUNCH – Sunday 14th August 2022

This will be immediately after the 10am service in the lower hall. All savoury dishes and drinks will be provided, but a few puddings would be appreciated. Please sign up if you would like to contribute. Tickets at £7.50 for adults and £5.00 for under 13s are available from Helen or Andrew Brown. There will also be a raffle towards the Summer Fundraiser.

SUMMER SPORT AT STANLEY PARK (NEXT TO CITY COLLEGE), BROOK STREET, PETERBOROUGH

On **Monday 8th, 15th and 22nd August** there will be free fun sessions for children under 12 from 11am until 2pm with their families. There will be games and sport, a bouncy castle, crafts and a (paid for) ice cream van. No booking required – just turn up! Parental supervision required.

SUMMER FUNDRAISER 2022

We're delighted that this summer we'll be aiming to raise £1500 to be shared between the church and Mary's Child - a local charity working to love, care and support families and individuals in need (www.maryschild.org.uk). Please think about what you can do to raise some money and make a big difference in our community. Please talk to Abbi, Helen Brown or Sue Moore about your idea and please remember if you're planning an event to log the date with them so that no clashes take place.

NEW EDITION OF 'NEWS AROUND ST MARY'S'

Copies of the July/August issue of our church magazine will be available in church. on Sunday morning. Please pick up a copy – and after you have read it, please pass it on to a friend. There is no charge, but if you would like to make a contribution to cover printing cost (currently £1.25 each), that would be much appreciated.

This edition includes a Thank You to people who so kindly contributed to our recent Christian Aid Week fundraising (as well as an article about our next fundraising initiative for 'Mary's Child'). One of our Christian Aid Week street collectors has asked for copies to deliver to houses which give generously year after year. A lovely idea – and one which we hope other Street Collectors might like to take up too. If you would like an electronic copy of the magazine emailed to you, please let Hilary Dawson know on magazine@peterborough-stmarys.org.uk and she will send you one.

BIBLE STUDY

The Bible Study group is beginning its traditional summer break from the beginning of August. We plan to resume after the break in September. Please contact me if you would like more information. Thanks. David Dawson

THURSDAY PRAYERS

Our Thursday Prayer Group are taking a break now until 1st September. We meet 'remotely', on the first and third Thursday of each month to spend an hour praying together, sharing prayers across the group. If you would like to be added to the distribution list for the prayers please email: hilarydawson148@btinternet.com

FOCUS on FOODBANK

The first Foodbank was established in Phoenix, Arizona way back in 1967. In the UK the good people of Salisbury started up in 2000, operating initially from a garden shed and garage; four years later The Trussell Trust came into being and since then, largely operating through the church network, 440 plus Food Banks are functioning throughout the country. St. Mary's Church supports the Peterborough Food Bank in Fengate.

We are all spectators of '*The Poisoned Chalice Handicap*' (whether we like it or not) and the field has gradually dwindled to two runners: "*Poor Boy Makes Good*" and "*Baroness 2*". They may be on the home straight but we and they have several weeks before the winner is declared. Then what – neither can suddenly wave a magic wand and put everything right. This country and indeed the world is in a real mess. So the need for Food Banks will, if anything, increase as Mr and Mrs Average find themselves extremely hard pressed. Please keep your generous donations coming!

As a token of goodwill I have decided to do a **Sponsored Slim** to raise a few pounds for our friends in Fengate – mainly to help with what will be a much greater demand as we approach the Autumn and Winter. **It will run from Sunday 7th August until Sunday 6th November.** Hilary and David have kindly agreed to weigh me in the Lower Hall on Sunday week; I invite you to guess my end weight at £1 a time – the winner will receive 20% of the total collected OR £25, whichever is the greater. My thanks in advance for your kind support. Paul, '*The Barrow Boy*'

KEEPING IN TOUCH

Denise is sending out **weekly email updates** to all our church members, to keep everyone abreast of happenings. If you haven't received one it's because we don't have your email address, so please contact Michael, or Denise on office@peterborough-stmarys.org.uk and they will add you to the distribution list.

We've got a **St Mary's 'Whats App' group** if you would like to keep in touch that way. Andrew Christie will add you to the group if you contact him on bells@peterborough-stmarys.org.uk

EASYFUNDRAISING

St Mary's is now registered with easyfundraising, which means you can help us for FREE. Over 4,000 shops and sites (including booking.com, Tui, eBay, John Lewis, M&S and Sainsburys) will donate to us when you use easyfundraising to shop online with them – at no extra cost to yourself! All you need to do is go to www.easyfundraising.org.uk and follow the instructions to sign up, naming 'St Mary's Church Peterborough' as your chosen cause. If you prefer, download the easyfundraising Apps for your tablet or smartphone. Then remember to use easyfundraising whenever you shop online – and watch the donations to St Mary's mount up as you shop! The more fundraisers we have, the more money we'll raise, so please sign up to support our church.

YOUR CHURCH

Thank you for gifts of money to help us carry out God's work and to pay our running costs.