



# The Catch



Weekly News sheet for St Peter's Church, in the Parish of Ipsley

The seventh Sunday of Easter

WELCOME TO ST PETER'S

2nd June 2019

## Collect for the week

O God the King of glory,  
 you have exalted your only Son Jesus  
 Christ with great triumph to your  
 kingdom in heaven:  
 we beseech you, leave us not  
 comfortless, but send your Holy  
 Spirit to strengthen us  
 and exalt us to the place where our  
 Saviour Christ is gone before,  
 who is alive and reigns with you,  
 in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
 one God, now and for ever.  
 Amen

## Today's Services

9:45 am Sunday Café  
 11:15 am Holy Communion  
 6:30 pm Evening Worship

## Diary For The Week

9:30 am	Morning Prayers	<b>Mon</b>
9:45 am	Scramblers	<b>03</b>
2:00 pm	Craft Group	
9:30 am	Morning Prayers	<b>Tue</b>
		<b>04</b>
9.30 am	Morning Prayers	<b>Wed</b>
		<b>05</b>
9:30 am	Communion at St John's Greenlands	<b>Thurs</b>
7:30 pm	St Peters DCC Meeting	<b>06</b>
9:30 am	Morning Prayer	<b>Fri</b>
7:00 pm	Bell Ringing	<b>07</b>
12:00 am	Wedding of Darren Ellard and Sophie Emeny	<b>Sat</b>
		<b>08</b>
9:45 am	Contemporary Worship	<b>Sun</b>
11:15 am	Morning Worship	<b>09</b>
2:00 pm	Baptism of Leo Wilkinson	
6:30 pm	Communion with Anointing	

## PREACHING THEMES FOR TODAY

<b>9:45 am</b>	<b>A Model to Follow</b> Proverbs 31:10-31
<b>11:15 am</b>	Acts 16: 16-34 John 17:20-26
<b>6.30 pm</b>	Psalm 68 Isaiah 44:1-8 Ephesians 4:7-16 Luke 24:44-53

## Easter Reflection

When Jesus ascended to the father's right hand, angels appeared to the disciples and said "... why do you stand gazing up into heaven? This same Jesus who was taken up from you into heaven, will so come in like manner, as you saw Him go into heaven." (Acts 1:11).

The early Church lived eagerly anticipating that Christ would return any day soon and this influenced their lives and witness for Christ as they lived in a state of preparedness for His return. We, too, like the early disciples are "called" to serve Christ and carry out His mission here on earth in the anticipation of His return. By preaching the gospel and calling sinners to repentance, we fulfill the call to love God and love one another, as we pray "Thy kingdom come, thy will be done"

Two thousand years or more have gone by since Christ ascended to heaven and still He waits. He waits, patiently as Peter tells us, (2 Peter 3:9) tells us, "... not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance". May we take every opportunity He provides to lead others to Him before it is too late.

Christ may come back sooner than we expect, to judge the living and the dead (Rev 22:12). Pray that God may fill us with a sense of urgency to be prepared for Him and not be ashamed at His coming. (1 John 4:28).

The Book of Revelation ends on this joyous note: "Surely I come quickly. Amen." (Rev 22:20). Maranatha! Even so come Lord Jesus.

Blessings, Canon Garth Nathaniel

**Pentecost on the Green:** Sunday 9th June 1pm onwards around St Stephens Church in Redditch. A time of sharing food, fellowship and worship, a powerful witness to our town. In addition, free parking is available at the college. Please see the poster for more details.

### Thy Kingdom Come:

- Thursday 30th May to Friday 7th June 9am to 9:30am on week-days , morning prayer at St Stephen's church (Church Green)
- 2:30pm on Monday 3rd June till 2:30pm on Tuesday 4th there will be 24 hours of prayer at St Andrew's church (Church Hill)
- Monday 3rd June, Tuesday 4th June & Thursday 6th at 5pm , evening prayer at St Philip's (Webheath).
- Tuesday 4th June 7pm Prayer for Redditch (P4R) at St Stephen's church (Church Green).
- Tuesday 4th June 7:30pm Prayer evening at Christ church Matchborough
- Wednesday 5th June & Friday 7th June 5pm evening prayer at St Leonard's (Beoley).

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**“ALWAYS KEEP ON PRAYING” for:**

**Juan Carlos and Penny Marces in Peru:** For all services and activities with us during their stay.

**Those who are sick:** Betty Wood, Tia, Kate Bainbridge, Chris Tilley, Andrew Johnson, Alex Street, Peter Barcham, Joanne Heaselgrave, Joanne Goodwin, Erica Dilger, Michael Hawkins, Mark Brunner, Imran Shergill, Christine Nash, Glynis Horton, Linda Grummet, Jacqui Street, Janet Tegg, Steve Thomas and Iyra Dutton.

**Our Nation:** For our MP Rachel Maclean & the Government involved in Brexit negotiations, for our local councillor Juliet Brunner and for our security services working to keep us safe.

**Migration Crisis:** For the protection of people and an end to the human trafficking circuits. For those returning to homes and livelihoods destroyed by war.

**Parish Prayers:** Jackfield Close Matchborough, Fernwood Close Wirehill, Woodrow Centre Woodrow, Stapleton Close. Winyates

**CPAS:** For the training today to equip the curates for a genuinely collaborative approach to ministry as they fulfil their ministries and embark on leadership of several Churches

**World:** Pray for all those who suffer. That we may seek God’s guidance and discernment to the various ways of how we can help.

**Chaplaincies;** Chaplains and volunteers in retail and industrial chaplaincy in Redditch, prison chaplaincy, and hospital chaplaincy. Padres to the Air, Army and Sea Cadets.

**Churches Together:** Please pray for the ministry at Saints Matthias and George, Astwood Bank; for the start of Messy Church and that it goes from strength to strength. Give thanks for their new curate Victoria joining them in June.

**Christine Nash:** We have heard the sad news that Christine Nash has died. Christine was a well loved member of our Church family.

**Offering Envelopes:** Offering Envelopes are now available at the back of the Church.

**Traidcraft:** The next traidcraft Stall will be after the 9:45 service on June 16th. There are new catalogues in the Huband Room if you wish to place an order. For more details contact Felicity.

**Spring Harvest:** Jackie and Graeme Russell from Christ Church would love to take a group to Spring Harvest in Minehead next year. The dates are 4 - 9 April 2020 (Saturday to Maundy Thursday) or 13 – 17 April (Bank Holiday Monday to Thursday). This invitation is open to anyone in the parish. Booking lines open on 26 June so please let us know as soon as possible if you would like to go. Any questions, speak to Jackie or Graeme.” Tel: Christ Church Office 460400



**St Peter's Church** is part of the Team Parish of Ipsley which consists of St Peter's Ipsley, St John's Greenlands and Christ Church Matchborough.

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Notices for "The Catch" to the office

### PASTORAL CARE IN ST PETER'S:

We have a very supportive Pastoral Care team. If you have any concerns, need prayer or someone to talk to or who can help you in a practical way please contact the Rector, Canon Garth Nathaniel, either by leaving a phone message on the office phone or directly via the Rectory.

### HOUSE GROUPS

Tues pm: Linda Nicholas 451635  
Tues eve: John Butler 520051  
Wed eve: Judy Evans 404522  
For further information please contact the group leader.



### Children's Activities @ St Peter's

Godly play 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month at

St. Peters@9:45

### Weekday Clubs:

*Scramblers* for 0-5 years on Mondays  
in term time.

### Cool Zone

for 7-11 years—6:30 pm

Christ Church Matchborough

**Youth Club** 7:30 -9:30 at Christ Church