

ST MARY'S OXTED and ST PETER'S TANDRIDGE

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14th Sunday after Trinity – 5th September

Today is Climate Sunday - Gospel Reading this week – Mark 7:24-end

St Mary's		St Peter's	
8.00am		8.00am	Holy Communion
9.30am	Parish Communion with Junior Church in OCH	11.00am	All Age Worship (Family Service)
4.30pm	Café Service	6.30pm	Evensong (BCP)

Please see www.climatesunday.org for further information and resources about Climate Sunday.

The Youtube livestream of St Mary's 9.30am service can be found using the link below or visiting the St Mary's Youtube page. <https://youtu.be/Dvdp04Rvrul>

Junior Church at St Mary's returns to the pre-pandemic arrangements, children can be signed in at church, and then will come back for the end of the service.

Start of new school term – we especially pray for all pupils, students, staff, teachers and parents at the start of a new term. Bring your school bag this Sunday to any service, and there will be a special blessing prayer for them!

NEW FOR AUTUMN 2021

Toddler Praise – a new, 30 minute service ideal for pre-schoolers. All are welcome for songs, prayers a story and a very simple craft. (Parents/carers are required to stay for the duration of the service) 2pm on Wednesday in St Mary's and 2pm on Thursday at St Peter's. Starts this week!

Alpha Course – do you have questions about life and faith? Or are you curious about Christianity? – please come along to our Alpha Course, weekly at 7.30pm on Thursdays from 23rd Sep.

Newcomer's Tea – if you are new to either St Mary's or St Peter's, please come along to our Newcomer's Tea at James and Chloe's house (29 Chichele Rd) on Saturday 25th Sep at 3pm.



COP26 Pilgrimage to Southwark Cathedral – There is a prayer vigil at Southwark Cathedral on Saturday 23rd October to pray for COP26, and we are encouraged to make a pilgrimage to it from our churches. We have booked 8 spaces, and James is going to lead a walk from Oxted. We will need to leave at around 6am, and the walk is about 20 miles. Please do have a think about joining!

Prayer is really important to us at St Mary's and St Peter's, so please do join us where you can to pray. Whether it is at our services, or on Zoom during the week, or one of these times:
Prayer Breakfast at St Mary's – Sat 4th September at 9am – meet under the Tree of Hope
Prayer meeting at St Mary's – Tues 21st September, meet in church at 6.30pm

Attending church services – we understand that the legal restrictions on our worship environment are now largely being lifted. We will still be encouraging all attendees to wear face masks. We are conscious that some people will want to observe social distancing. We respect this and will ensure there is space. Generally, we will proceed with caution, and continue to look out for one another.

Monday night sessions return on 13 September, for 6 weeks on the Book of Galatians. Join us in St Mary's or via Zoom. 8pm – 9pm. More details to follow.

St Peter's Churchyard Clear-up party – will be on Saturday 11th September, from 9am – all welcome for working together to beautify the churchyard and to enjoy friendship; refreshment provided!

St Mary's Patronal Festival is being celebrated on Sunday 19th September with our annual cricket match v St John's Hurst Green. If you are interested in playing then please contact Richard Adamson on richard.adamson@hotmail.co.uk, or speak to him after Church.

Current plans are that the game will start at 13:30 following a BBQ in the Cricket Pavilion after Church. If you are able to provide salads for lunchtime or sandwiches for afternoon tea (to which all are welcome) then please contact Valerie Adamson on val.adamson@btinternet.com

2021 Ride + Stride for churches - Saturday 11 Sept 2021 - stretch your legs and relax your mind, visit unique historic buildings, see beautiful countryside, get some exercise and have fun with family and friends! Ride + Stride is a sponsored bike ride or walk between churches, exploring and enjoying town and countryside in Surrey. Run by the Surrey Churches Preservation Trust, it takes place annually and the money raised helps to repair churches, chapels and meeting houses throughout the county. <http://www.surreychurchespreservationtrust.org>

Harvest Festival – both of our churches will be celebrating Harvest on the first weekend in October – please look out for more details of how to get involved in celebrating, and donating.

Room to rent in Quarry Road, with use of all facilities and garden, for £380 per month. Contact Janet Brealey for more details: 01883 715859. Email is janetbrealey@btinternet.com.

Food Bank – St John's Hurst Green is a Referral Point for the Trussell Trust food bank at Caterham Baptist Church. Please contact Lotwina for more information lotwina@stjhurstgreen.co.uk

All are welcome to join us to pray on Zoom throughout the week.

Tuesday and Thursday at 9am Zoom details: Meeting ID: 871 2209 6723 Passcode: 958471 or <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87122096723?pwd=bXU4OFRidEhjT2dCRm9mdFB0a29Vdz09>

Monday and Wednesday at 5pm Zoom details: Meeting ID: 820 0689 4969 Passcode: 714098 or <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82006894969?pwd=aNLS1VQV090SjcxdmhwWXFMZlhhdz09>

Things to pray for and about:

- For peace and compassion to be known throughout the world.
- For Afghanistan and Haiti.
- For our churches as we enter in to a new season this autumn

Please note that Rev James A has changed his day off to a Monday

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