



Notices for the Parish of St. Peter's, Great Totham
 Sunday 26th February 2017
 Sunday next before Lent



Beacon Hill Churches Together - Fundraiser and Social in support of Water Aid at St. Peter's Church^{GT} Tuesday 28th February 6.30pm for 7.00pm start with Finger buffet and drinks followed with talk by Brian and Carol Willis from Water Aid - Bring and Buy stall - All Welcome.

There will be an **Ash Wednesday Service** at All Saint's Little Totham at 7:30 pm on 1st March

The next **Magazine Meeting** will be on Tuesday 7th March at 7.45pm in the Honywood. Support **Jonathan in the Colchester ½ Marathon** in aid of MS U.K. and Goldhanger Nursery. Sunday 12th March. Contact him or get forms from the Church for Sponsorship. Our next **Coffee Morning ☕** is at The Honywood on Saturday 25th March at 10:00am.

The Electoral Roll of St Peter's Church is being revised in preparation for the Annual Parochial Church meeting which is being held on Sunday 23rd April 2017. Only people on the Electoral Roll will be entitled to vote at that meeting, so it is essential that if you intend to be at that meeting and you are entitled to be on the Roll then please check that you are on it. The Roll will be revised between Sunday 19th March 2017 and Saturday 1st April 2017 so if you are not on the Roll and need an application form, then please contact David Barclay. ☎01621 891164

St. Peter's 200 Club 🏠 New members always welcome – Contact Roger ☎01621 892334.

Wildlife Walks 🐾 Why not join Revd. Jonathan on the second Thursday of each month for a stroll around the countryside. Meet at Goldhanger Church 2:00pm.

Knit and Natter 🧶 every Friday at The Honywood 9:30am – 12:00 noon. Please contact Sandra ☎01621 893153 or Sue Bacon ☎01621 893809.

Bible Study Group 📖 meets on Wednesday's at 10:30 in The Honywood. Why not join us for an always interesting discussion? Coffee (or Tea) and Biscuits. Contact Paul ☎01621 893153 for more information.

The **Choir 🎵** would be very appreciative of additional members when we have a special ceremony like a wedding. Please let Karin ☎01621 891215 know if you would be willing to join them.

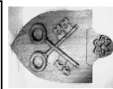
Confirmation Groups 🙋 will take place next spring. Contact Jonathan for further details ☎01621 893150

Prayer 🙏 Would you like someone to pray with you after the service today? Please speak with a Sidesman to arrange.

The St. Peter's^{GT} Church Guide is available at the Church for £4.00.

Bible Readings. Please note that these will be e-mailed each week, to the readers shown in the Church Rota. They are also published on our website.

St. Peter's^{GT} **Facebook 📘** Page. Make 'Friends' with us at 'St. Peter's Church-Great Totham'.
 St. Peter's^{GT} **Website** <http://www.essexinfo.net/st-peter-s-church-great-totham>



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26th February to 25th March 2017



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
26 February 2017 08:00 HOLY COMMUNION THE WORD & SUNDAY CLUB 18:00 EVENSONG 19:30 BELL RINGERS A.G.M.	27 17:30 RAINBOWS IN CHURCH EXTENSION 19:30 BUILDINGS & GROUNDS COMMITTEE MEETING @ THE HONYWOOD	28 10:45 LUNCH CLUB @ THE HONYWOOD 18:30 FUNDRAISER & SOCIAL IN SUPPORT OF 'WATER AID' @ ST. PETERS GT	01 March 2017 10:30 BIBLE STUDY GROUP @ THE HONYWOOD 19:30 ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE @ ALL SAINT'S LITTLE TOTHAM 19:30 GT. TOTHAM CHORAL GROUP IN EXTENSION	2 10:30 EDWARD BEAR CLUB IN EXTENSION	3 09:30 KNIT & NATTER @ THE HONYWOOD 19:45 BELL RINGING PRACTICE	4 10:00 COFFEE MORNING @ THE HONYWOOD
03 March 2017 08:00 HOLY COMMUNION 10:00 FAMILY COMMUNION & SUNDAY CLUB	6 10:00 PRAYER HOUR @ THE HONYWOOD	7 10:45 LUNCH CLUB @ THE HONYWOOD 19:45 MAGAZINE MEETING @ THE HONYWOOD	8 10:30 BIBLE STUDY GROUP @ THE HONYWOOD 19:00 GIRL GUIDES MEETING @ THE HONYWOOD 19:30 GT. TOTHAM CHORAL GROUP IN EXTENSION	9 10:30 EDWARD BEAR CLUB IN EXTENSION 14:00 WILDLIFE WATCHING MEET @ GOLDHANGER	10 09:30 KNIT & NATTER @ THE HONYWOOD 19:45 BELL RINGING PRACTICE	11 10:00 COFFEE MORNING @ THE HONYWOOD
12 March 2017 08:00 HOLY COMMUNION 10:00 FAMILY COMMUNION BY EXTENSION 10:00 SUNDAY CLUB COLCHESTER HALF MARATHON 18:00 EVENSONG	13 17:30 RAINBOWS IN CHURCH EXTENSION	14 10:45 LUNCH CLUB @ THE HONYWOOD 19:30 PCC MEETING @ THE HONYWOOD	15 10:30 BIBLE STUDY GROUP @ THE HONYWOOD 18:00 ALMSHOUSE TRUSTERS MEETING @ THE HONYWOOD 19:30 GT. TOTHAM CHORAL GROUP IN EXTENSION	16 10:30 EDWARD BEAR CLUB IN EXTENSION	17 09:30 KNIT & NATTER @ THE HONYWOOD 19:45 BELL RINGING PRACTICE	18 10:00 COFFEE MORNING @ THE HONYWOOD
19 March 2017 08:00 HOLY COMMUNION 10:00 FAMILY COMMUNION & SUNDAY CLUB 18:00 EVENSONG	20 17:30 RAINBOWS IN CHURCH EXTENSION	21 10:45 LUNCH CLUB @ THE HONYWOOD	22 10:30 BIBLE STUDY GROUP @ THE HONYWOOD 19:00 GIRL GUIDES MEETING @ THE HONYWOOD 19:30 GT. TOTHAM CHORAL GROUP IN EXTENSION	23 10:30 EDWARD BEAR CLUB IN EXTENSION	24 09:30 KNIT & NATTER @ THE HONYWOOD 19:45 BELL RINGING PRACTICE	25 10:00 COFFEE MORNING @ THE HONYWOOD

Notices: If you wish to include any item on the weekly 'Notices' please contact Chris E-Mail cmunton@ukm.com ☎01621 891817 who also maintains the consolidated diary for the Church, Church extension and The Honywood. Please inform him of ALL bookings to avoid the possibility of any conflicts.



Bible Readings – 26th February 2017

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Collect

Almighty Father,
 whose Son was revealed in majesty
 before he suffered death upon the cross:
 give us grace to perceive his glory,
 that we may be strengthened to suffer with him
 and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory;
 who is alive and reigns with you,
 in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
 one God, now and for ever.

First Reading *Exodus 24. 12-end*

¹²The Lord said to Moses, ‘Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.’ ¹³So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. ¹⁴To the elders he had said, ‘Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them.’ ¹⁵Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. ¹⁶The glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. ¹⁷Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. ¹⁸Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

Second Reading *2 Peter 1. 16-end*

Eyewitnesses of Christ’s Glory

¹⁶For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. ¹⁷For he received honour and glory

from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, ‘This is my Son, my Beloved,* with whom I am well pleased.’ ¹⁸We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain. ¹⁹So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. ²⁰First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one’s own interpretation, ²¹because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.*

Gospel *Matthew 17. 1-9*

The Transfiguration

¹Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. ²And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. ³Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. ⁴Then Peter said to Jesus, ‘Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I* will make three dwellings* here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.’ ⁵While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, ‘This is my Son, the Beloved;* with him I am well pleased; listen to him!’ ⁶When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. ⁷But Jesus came and touched them, saying, ‘Get up and do not be afraid.’ ⁸And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. ⁹As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, ‘Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.’

In your prayer’s this week please include:

Adam Billings: Mary Bradley: Keith Burrell: Margaret Clarke: Daphne Davies:
 Dawn Dungate: Pat Holland: Kimberly Howard: Sylvia Huxtable: Geoff Metzger:
 Peggy Midwood: Laura Moore: Fred Mundy: Elizabeth Parsons: Peter Roast: Catherine Self:
 Sam Sweetman: Bob Tarpey: Janet Trowles: Lloyd Whitworth

Those who have recently died and their families: Mary Gregan: Marion McCauley