



Notices for the Parish of St. Peter's, Great Totham
Eighth Sunday after Trinity



You will be sorry to hear that **Rt. Revd. John Wraw**, area Bishop of Bradwell, died on 25th July, following a long illness. His funeral Eucharist will be held at Chelmsford Cathedral on Monday 7th August at 1pm . All are welcome to attend.

Worship Sub-Committee meeting 7:30pm on Monday 7th August at The Honeywood. Anyone who has an interest should attend.

Our next **Coffee Morning** is at The Honeywood on Saturday 26th August at 10:00am. There's also our famous 'Full Monty' which saves you cooking breakfast!

Advance Warning. We are planning to close the church extension for the month of August whilst we carry out the alterations to the kitchen & WC.

NOTE: There may not be any toilet facilities at times during the works.

Ride & Stride Please support the friends of Essex Churches Trust on 9th September by riding and gaining sponsorship or by manning the church. Contact David on 01621 891164 for details.

St. Peter's^{GT} 200 Club New members always welcome – Contact Roger 01621 892334. July Winners: 1st prize: Jonathan Pearce 2nd prize: Sue North 3rd prize: Christine Gunton

Knit and Natter every Friday at The Honeywood from 9:30am – 12:00 noon. Please contact Sandra 01621 893153 or Sue Bacon 01621 893809. Please note that there will be no meeting during August.

Bible Study Group meets on Wednesday's at 10:30 in The Honeywood. Why not join us for an always interesting discussion? Coffee (or Tea) and Biscuits. Contact Paul 01621 893153 for more information. Please note that there will be no meeting during August.

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

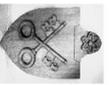
Bible Readings. Please note that these will be e-mailed each week, to the readers shown in the Church Rota. They are also published on our website.

St. Peter's^{GT} **Facebook** Page. 'St. Peter's Church-Great Totham'.

St. Peter's^{GT} **Website** <http://www.essexinfo.net/st-peter-s-church-great-totham>



St. Peter's Church, Great Totham
6th August to 3rd September 2017



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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1800 EVENSONG						

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



Bible Readings – 6th August 2017
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Collect

Almighty Lord and everlasting God, we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of your laws and the works of your commandments; that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unit of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

First Reading *Isaiah 55. 1-5*

An Invitation to Abundant Life

¹Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. ² Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labour for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. ³Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David.⁴ See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. ⁵ See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you.

Second Reading *Romans 9. 1-5*

God's Election of Israel

¹I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit— ²I have great sorrow and

unceasing anguish in my heart. ³For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people,* my kindred according to the flesh. ⁴They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; ⁵to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah,* who is over all, God blessed for ever.* Amen.

Gospel *Matthew 14. 13-21*

Jesus Walks on the Water

²²Immediately he made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. ²³And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, ²⁴but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land,* for the wind was against them. ²⁵And early in the morning he came walking towards them on the lake. ²⁶But when the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified, saying, 'It is a ghost!' And they cried out in fear. ²⁷But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, 'Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.' ²⁸Peter answered him, 'Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.' ²⁹He said, 'Come.' So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came towards Jesus. ³⁰But when he noticed the strong wind,* he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, 'Lord, save me!' ³¹Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, 'You of little faith, why did you doubt?' ³²When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. ³³And those in the boat worshipped him, saying, 'Truly you are the Son of God.'

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 Peggy Midwood Laura Moore Fred Mundy Catherine Self Sam Sweetman Janet Trowles Lloyd Whitworth