



Parishes of Great Totham, Little Totham and Goldhanger.
Notices for St. Peter's, Great Totham – 1st January 2017
2nd Sunday of Christmas

The Morning Service on Sunday 15th January will be a **Prayer for Christian Unity** at 'The Barn Church', Great Totham. 10:30am
 There will be no 10:00am service at St. Peter's^{GT} that day.

Our next **Coffee Morning** ☕ is at The Honeywood on Saturday 28th January 2016 at 10:00am.

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

Wildlife Walks 🦋 Why not join 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 Honeywood 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 Honeywood. 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 Classes 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.

St. Peter's^{GT} has a **Facebook** 📘 Page – make 'Friends' with us at 'St. Peter's Church-Great Totham'. Tweet with us on **Twitter** 🐦 Search for:/ Follow: 'Totham-Goldhanger' - @Revdjpearce.

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



St. Peter's Church, Great Totham
1st JANUARY to 28th JANUARY 2017



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
01 January 2017 08:00 HOLY COMMUNION 11:00 FAMILY COMMUNION & SUNDAY CLUB Note: NOT 10:00!	2 10:00 PRAYER HOUR @ THE HONYWOOD	3 10:45 LUNCH CLUB @ THE HONYWOOD	4 19:30 GT. TOTHAM CHORAL GROUP IN EXTENSION	5 10:30 EDWARD BEAR CLUB IN EXTENSION	6 19:45 BELL RINGING PRACTICE	7 ☀️
08 January 2017 08:00 HOLY COMMUNION 10:30 FAMILY COMMUNION BY EXTENSION & SUNDAY CLUB	9 ☝️	10 10:45 LUNCH CLUB @ THE HONYWOOD	11 10:30 BIBLE STUDY GROUP @ THE HONYWOOD	12 10:30 EDWARD BEAR CLUB IN EXTENSION 14:00 WILDLIFE WATCHING MEET @ GOLDHANGER	13 09:30 KNIT & NATTER @ THE HONYWOOD	14 ☀️
15 January 2017 08:00 HOLY COMMUNION 10:30 FAMILY COMMUNION & SUNDAY CLUB	16 ☀️	17 10:45 LUNCH CLUB @ THE HONYWOOD	18 10:30 BIBLE STUDY GROUP @ THE HONYWOOD	19 10:30 EDWARD BEAR CLUB IN EXTENSION	20 09:30 KNIT & NATTER @ THE HONYWOOD	21 ☀️
22 January 2017 08:00 HOLY COMMUNION 10:30 BHCT SERVICE @ BARN CHURCH NO. SERVICE @ St. PETERSGT	23 ☀️	24 10:45 LUNCH CLUB @ THE HONYWOOD	25 10:30 BIBLE STUDY GROUP @ THE HONYWOOD	26 10:30 EDWARD BEAR CLUB IN EXTENSION	27 09:30 KNIT & NATTER @ THE HONYWOOD	28 ☕
18:00 EVENSONG	15:30 RAINBOWS IN CHURCH EXTENSION	19:30 BCC MEETING @ THE HONYWOOD	19:30 GT. TOTHAM CHORAL GROUP IN EXTENSION	19:45 BELL RINGING PRACTICE	19:45 BELL RINGING PRACTICE	

Notices: If you wish to include any item on the weekly 'Notices' please contact Chris E-Mail ✉️ cmunton@uknm.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 – 1st January 2017

2nd Sunday of Christmas



Collect

Almighty God,
 in the birth of your Son
 you have poured on us the new light of your incarnate Word,
 and shown us the fullness of your love:
 help us to walk in his light and dwell in his love
 that we may know the fullness of his joy;
 who is alive and reigns with you,
 in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
 one God, now and for ever

First Reading *Isaiah. 63. 7-9*

⁷ I will recount the gracious deeds of the Lord, the praiseworthy acts of the Lord, because of all that the Lord has done for us, and the great favour to the house of Israel that he has shown them according to his mercy. according to the abundance of his steadfast love. ⁸ For he said, ‘Surely they are my people, children who will not deal falsely’; and he became their saviour ⁹in all their distress. It was no messenger or angel but his presence that saved them; in his love and in his pity he redeemed them; he lifted them up and carried them all the days of old.

Second Reading *Hebrews. 2. 10-end*

¹⁰ It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. ¹¹For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, ¹²saying, ‘I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will

praise you.’ ¹³And again, ‘I will put my trust in him.’ And again, ‘Here am I and the children whom God has given me.’ ¹⁴ Since, therefore, the children share flesh and blood, he himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, ¹⁵and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. ¹⁶For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. ¹⁷Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. ¹⁸Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

Gospel *John. 14 1-6*

¹‘Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe* in God, believe also in me. ²In my Father’s house there are many dwelling-places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you?* ³And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. ⁴And you know the way to the place where I am going.* ⁵Thomas said to him, ‘Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?’ ⁶Jesus said to him, ‘I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

In your prayer’s this week please include:

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

Those who have recently died and their families:

Edith Mills: Ken Pearce