



TONBRIDGE PARISH CHURCH

WEEKLY NEWS - SUNDAY 27 APRIL 2025

THIS SUNDAY

St Peter & St Paul 8am Communion Service: I am the LORD: Exodus 6: 26-7:13 10.45 Morning Service: I am the LORD: Exodus 6: 26-7:13 <i>With children's groups: Creche (0-4s), Sunday Club (4-11s) and SOS (11-14s)</i> 6pm Evening Service: World's empty glory: Psalm 49 5-7pm: Refresh (14-18s) meeting	St Philip 10.45 Morning Service: I am the LORD: Exodus 6: 26-7:13	St Saviour 9.15 Morning Service: I am the LORD: Exodus 6: 26-7:13	St Andrew 9.45 Morning Service: I am the LORD: Exodus 6: 26-7:13
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CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

- NEW There's always good news with Jesus...!** It was a joy to see so many visitors at our different Easter events and services—many thanks for all who came and supported and were involved in various ways. Do pray on that those visitors might have been struck at the relevance to their lives of Jesus dying on the cross for them; and that many may return to find out more! *Ben*
- NEW Thurs 8 May: VE Day beacon lighting:** There will be no monthly prayer meeting in May, instead do join us as we join with others across the town to commemorate VE day with a Beacon lighting event that Ben is involved with at Tonbridge Castle grounds—consisting of band, short service and beacon lighting.

BOOKINGS OPEN ON SUNDAY!
Quest for a King Holiday Club 2025
Mon July 21—Fri July 25: 9.45am—12.30pm
Reception—Year 6

Do let any friends, family and neighbours know that bookings open on Sunday via our website

- 'Take them a meal' team!** In our Lent course we have been thinking about how to love our church and thinking practically about what it would mean to be a church that doesn't focus on the 'ministry of the few' but instead the 'ministry of all, those in the pews'. We know that lots of this goes on already in our church but as part of our pastoral care for one another, we are launching a new initiative called 'Take them a meal', where anyone who would like to bless someone with a meal (homecooked or shop bought), can sign up to be on our 'providers' list. As and when we know of someone who would be blessed by receiving a meal for a duration, we would then call upon that list and then we are all set to go!

So what can you do to be involved?

- a) Let Jane jane.thorndike@tonbridgeparishchurch.org.uk know if you want to join the 'Take a Meal' Team'
- b) Contact the church office if:
 - i) you would appreciate a meal rota in the immediate future / for a known date (we can then take details eg dietary requirements, address, days needed etc) and / or
 - ii) if you hear of someone who might appreciate some meals, do have a chat with them and find out some details and let the church office know!
- Family breakfasts next term:** put the dates in your diary! 11 May (SOS) 11 June (Sunday Club) 15 June (all families for Father's Day breakfast) and 29 June (creche).

BOOKINGS NOW OPEN! SIGN UP [HERE](#)

Church Family Away Day 2025 - Sat evening 21 June and all day Sun 22 June. Bishop Chavasse school, Tonbridge.

A great opportunity to grow in love and bonds of affection as a church family together.
Join with us for barn dance on Saturday evening, followed by a day on Sunday of teaching and worship together with guest speaker; plus craft, sport and other activities in the afternoon.

NEW Please note there will be no services taking place this Sunday at any of our church buildings, apart from 8am at St Peter & St Paul

- **Cleaner for St Peter and St Paul:** Lorraine has been cleaning at St Peter and St Paul for many years but is retiring soon. We are therefore looking for someone to clean for 2 hours a day on up to 4 days a week, Monday to Thursday, starting at the end of May/early June. For further information please contact Alison Minton in the church office alison.minton@tonbridgeparishchurch.org.uk
- **NEW Thank you** for all the generous donations for the Easter flowers and to all those who helped decorate St Peter & St Paul for the Easter celebrations—the church looked beautiful!
- **NEW Exam prayers:** It's exam time again and the Monday morning prayer group will be praying for young people taking exams. If you would like to add someone to our list then please let Juliet know their name and the exams they are taking eg GCSE, A levels, finals etc. Julietr62@btinternet.com and phone 01732 851658.
- **NEW Church Family funerals**
 - **Nanette Gate** went peacefully to be with the Lord on Sat 19 April at the Hospice in the Weald. Please hold her son, Mike, and the family in your prayers at this time.
 - **David Fullman** passed away on Fri 4 April and we will let you know details of his service as soon as possible.
 - Do pray on for **Helen Longley** and the family as they mourn the loss of **Dick**. His thanksgiving service will be on Tues 13 May at 1.30pm at St Peter & St Paul. Refreshments served afterwards. All welcome.

OTHER NEWS

- **NEW Kisuma Children Trust** (a small Christian charity helping orphans / abandoned children in Kenya) is looking for a new administrator. For more information do take a look at their website www.kisumuchildren.org.uk or contact peterbrierley89@gmail.com

REGULAR GROUPS AND ACTIVITIES

Day	Group	Meet at...	Contact
Mon 28th	Book Club	10.15-11.45am, St Peter & St Paul	Wendy Carr / wendy.carr@tonbridgeparishchurch.org.uk
	Coffee lounge	10am-12pm	Parish Office / parishoffice@tonbridgeparishchurch.org.uk
	Merry Makers	Back meeting on 12 May	Yvonne Burgess / bidburgess@gmail.com
	Coffee Break (inc. Thought for the Day)	10:30-11.30am, St Saviour	Alison Wise / a.wise.7@btinternet.com
Tues 29th	Teddies (Toddler Group for parents / carers)	9.30-11am, St Peter & St Paul	teddies@tonbridgeparishchurch.org.uk
Wed 30th	Tiny Acorns (parent & carer under-1's)	10:30am- 12pm, St Peter & St Paul	Sara Thomson / sarajthomson44@gmail.com
	Coffee lounge	10am-12pm, St Peter & St Paul	Parish Office / parishoffice@tonbridgeparishchurch.org.uk
Thurs 1st	Stepping Stones (Women's Bible Study with creche)	10-11.30am, St Peter & St Paul	Josephine Sinclair / josephinedb@yahoo.co.uk
	Craft Workshop	Back meeting on 8 May	Yvonne Burgess / bidburgess@gmail.com
	Connect (Year 6-9)	5-6.30pm, St Peter & St Paul	Ed Pascoe / ed.pascoe@tonbridgeparishchurch.org.uk
Fri 2nd	Church Family Prayers	9.30-9.50am on Zoom (853 4454 9144)	Parish Office / parishoffice@tonbridgeparishchurch.org.uk
	Coffee lounge	10am-12pm, St Peter & St Paul	Parish Office / parishoffice@tonbridgeparishchurch.org.uk
Sat 3rd	Prayer meeting	9-10am, St Peter & St Paul	Richard Roberts / richardbproberts2003@gmail.com
	Open House	10am-12pm, St Philip	Wendy Carr / wendy.carr@tonbridgeparishchurch.org.uk
Various	Home Groups (for all Christians who are part of our church family across any of our four churches)	Various locations and times	John Schluter / john@schluter.ch

SUNDAY 4 MAY

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