

TONBRIDGE PARISH CHURCH WEEKLY NEWS - SUNDAY 2 NOVEMBER 2025

THIS SUNDAY

St Peter & St Paul 8am Communion Service: Until the Lord's coming: James 5: 7-20 (followed by breakfast)	St Philip 10.45 Morning Service: Until the Lord's coming: James 5: 7-20	St Saviour 9.15 Morning Service: Until the Lord's coming: James 5: 7-20	St Andrew 9.45 Morning Service: Until the Lord's coming: James 5: 7-20
10.45 Communion Service: Until the Lord's coming: James 5: 7-20 (with creche (age 1-4), Junior Sunday Club (pre- school - YR), Senior Sunday Club (Y1-5) and SOS (Y6-9)			
6pm Evening Service: Our best friend: John 15: 9-15 with Matthew 28: 20b			
Refresh (Y10-13): 5-7pm (Fireworks trip!)			

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

- **NEW** There's always good news with Jesus...! As I write we are getting ready to welcome 40 children to our Light Party this Fri evening a wonderful opportunity to remind them, and one another, of the hope that we find in Jesus as the light of the world. Where there is otherwise so much darkness. Pray on that all who come will understand more of the truth of John 8 v 12: "Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, 'I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." Ben
- **NEW Annual Gift Day.** On Sun 23 Nov, we are preaching on giving across the church, ahead of our annual Gift Day. Please come ready to listen as we reflect on our giving together. Having had the chance to pray and plan our giving, on **our Gift Day Sunday 30 November,** we will all have the opportunity to return our pledge forms. With many thanks in advance for your financial gifts, and with much anticipation for all the Gospel opportunities the Lord will provide in the year ahead! Do contact Andy Kirkpatrick Treasurer, for further info.
- **NEW 'Remember with Hope' service:** Sun 30 Nov, 4pm (refreshments from 3.15pm), St Peter & St Paul. A service for anyone who has been bereaved.
- **NEW** Please join us next Sun (9 Nov, Remembrance Sunday) for a **JOINT Church Family Together service at St Peter & St Paul, 10.45am** (no other services at any of our buildings that day apart from 8am and 6pm at St Peter & St Paul).

SAVE THE DATES - Christmas services and events! (CHRISTMAS PUBLICITY COMING SOON!)

Christmas Gift Making evening: Thurs 4 Dec, 7.30-9.30pm St Saviour
 Families Gingerbread event: Sat 6 Dec, 3-4.30pm St Philip
 Explore the Christmas Story: Sat 13 Dec, 2-4pm St Andrew

- Carol Service at the Castle: Sun 14 Dec, 7-8pm Tonbridge Castle

- Christmas Celebration Sing-along: Thurs 18 Dec, 2-4pm St Saviour

- Live Nativity: Wed 24 Dec, 1.30-4.30pm St Peter & St Paul

(drop in for animals, crafts, refreshments, carols, with Nativity at 2 & 3.30pm)

- Midnight Communion: Wed 24 Dec, 11.30pm St Peter & St Paul

- Christmas Day Celebrations: 8am: Communion at St Peter & St Paul

10am: Christmas Celebrations in all church buildings

• **NEW Valerie Driscoll** went peacefully to be with the Lord on 26 Oct. Please hold Caroline, Simon and the family in your prayers at this time. A thanksgiving service for Valerie's life will be held on Fri 28 Nov at 1pm in St Peter & St Paul. All are welcome.

Youth, Children & Families Ministry

Sorted

Young people in Refresh (Yr10-13), you are invited to join the day out to Sorted, the youth convention in London, on **Sat 8 Nov.** Sign up <u>here</u>.

Family Breakfasts

9.30am, come with your children for breakfast and then chance to chat together as parents about the big issues of Growing Up, wrapping up in time to go to the 10.45 service:

Next one: SOS: 23 Nov

• Samaritan's Purse Shoebox Appeal with the young people: The Processing Centre is not in Tonbridge this year, so instead of taking our young people to help process boxes, we want to run a special 'Connect with Refresh' (school Years 6-13) evening, where we take the young people in to town to choose some items to put together for a few boxes. If they can bring some money to donate to the toys that would be great. There will be time for dinner and games too back at St Peter & St Paul. This will be on Thurs 6 Nov, 5pm-7pm - note later finish for regular Connect members. Sign up so we know to expect them:

https://parishofstpeterstpaultonbridge.churchsuite.com/events/gmpder6p

• **SAVE THE DATE!** Holiday Club 2026 will be on **Mon 20 July - Fri 24 July!** Do pop the date in your calendar and listen out for more information nearer the time!

Do contact Alyson or Ed for further information on any of the above

<u>OTHER NEWS</u>

• **NEW Singing for the Hospice:** A concert in aid of Hospice in the Weald with the Royal Tunbridge Wells Orpheus Male Voice Choir: Sat 15 Nov, 7.30pm, St Peter & St Paul. Tickets £10 on the door.

REGULAR GROUPS AND ACTIVITIES

We have a range of midweek activities and groups for all ages.

Do check out our website under 'Church Life' Tab to find out more and contact the Church Office if you would like further information about any of these things.

SUNDAY 9 NOVEMBER

St Peter & St Paul	St Philip	St Saviour	St Andrew
8am Communion Service:			
Peace with God: Romans 5: 1-11	JOINT Church Family	JOINT Church Family	JOINT Church Family
10.45 Church Family Together Service: Peace with God: Romans 5: 1-11 (with creche (age 1-4), Junior Sunday Club (pre- school - YR), Senior Sunday Club (Y1-5) and SOS (Y6-9)	Together at St Peter & St Paul, 10.45am	Together at St Peter & St Paul, 10.45am	Together at St Peter & St Paul, 10.45am
6pm Evening Service: Sacrifice and Security Romans 8: 35-39			
Refresh (Y10-13): 5-7pm			

Church Office opening hours: Mon (10am-1pm), Wed (9am-12pm) & Fri (10am-1pm)