



TONBRIDGE PARISH CHURCH

WEEKLY NEWS - SUNDAY 25 JANUARY

THIS SUNDAY

| St Peter & St Paul | St Philip | St Saviour | St Andrew |
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| <p>8am Communion Service: Keeping firm to the end: 1 Corin 1: 4-9</p> <p>10.45 Church Family Together Service Keeping firm to the end: 1 Corin 1: 4-9 (with creche (age 1-4), Junior Sunday Club (pre-school - Y1), Senior Sunday Club (Y2-5) and SOS (Y6-9)</p> <p>6pm: Communion Service: Comfort, grace, renewal (l): Psalm 71</p> <p>(Refresh (Y10-13) meeting: 5-7pm)</p> | <p>10.45 Church Family Together Service at St Peter & St Paul</p> | <p>10.45 Church Family Together Service at St Peter & St Paul</p> | <p>10.45 Church Family Together Service at St Peter & St Paul</p> |

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

- **NEW** **There's always good news with Jesus...!** It was great to share with 35 people last Sunday—a group interested in being part of the new St Philip congregation, meeting on Sundays at 5pm from March. The highlight was hearing people's hopes and dreams for the congregation as we shared and pinned them on the walls round the church building. Join your prayers with ours for all four new congregations. *Ben*
- **NEW** We are looking forward to worshipping together at St Peter & St Paul this Sunday as one church family, another opportunity to look forward together to March when our four new congregations and patterns of worship begin. This week we have 'Name Badge Sunday' to help us begin to grow new and meaningful relationships across the church family, being known by name is key to that!

NEW Clarification of upcoming dates:

- **Sun 15 Feb:** Last services across buildings in current service pattern
- **Sun 22 Feb:** Church Family Together service marking end of current congregations and service pattern, 10.45am St Peter & St Paul
(no other services that day except 8am & 6pm at St P&P still taking place)
- **Sun 1 March:** Church Family Together service—Healing event with Steve Midgley, marking start of new congregations and service pattern, 10.30am St Peter & St Paul
(no other services that day except 8am at St P&P still taking place)
- **Sun 8 March:** First services across buildings in new service pattern:
8am at St Peter & St Paul (Holy Communion service)
10am at St Saviour (Traditional worship)
10.30am at St Peter & St Paul (Family worship)
5pm at St Philip (Contemporary worship)

(Plus **monthly service at St Andrew** – planned as 1st Sunday of the month at 3pm, first meeting due Easter Sunday, 5 April)

- **Christianity Explored** - an informal and relaxed 7-week course. For anyone who wants to think about the meaning of life, or explore the claims of Christianity. Open to anyone. **Starts Tues 17 Feb, 7.30pm-9.30pm at St Peter & St Paul for 7 weeks**
More info and sign up [HERE](#) or contact Church Office.
- **Lent Course: Real Change** - a great course for any Christian who wants to find out how the Gospel changes us from the inside out, to take a look at their own heart and grow with God's help to see 'Real Change.' Open to all Christians within the church family. **Starts Thurs 19 Feb, 7.30pm-9.30pm at St Philip for 6 weeks**
More info and sign up [HERE](#) or contact the Church Office.

If you are either i) still investigating the Christian faith, or ii) you are a Christian with a non-Christian friend to bring - we encourage you to prioritise Christianity Explored.

- **NEW Opportunity to serve!** We would love to serve refreshments (tea, coffee, cakes) at both our Christianity Explored and Lent courses and ideally we would have 2 people serving at each evening. There are 13 evenings to cover so would need 25ish volunteers! Please contact the Church Office if you could help for one of these evenings. *Many thanks in advance.*
- **Family breakfasts: 9.30am:** Come with your children for breakfast and then chance to chat together as parents about the big issues of parenting wrapping up in time to go to the 10.45 service:
SOS : 1 Feb – upstairs StP&P **Creche – 15 Feb – downstairs StP&P**
- **NEW Pancake party: Tues 17 Feb, 5-7pm at St Peter & St Paul. SCHOOL YEARS 1-7**
We are combining Adventure Club with our Pancake Party this year and will be enjoying some mini-golf around the church, eating pancakes, learning a bit more about Jesus and doing some craft – sign up [here](#) and forward the link to a friend!
If you are in **school years 8-13**, please consider coming as a helper. Sign up [here](#)
And if you are an **adult** and would be interested in supporting this outreach to our children and young people, we would love to hear from you – email Ed or Alyson.
- **Car parking permits** for the church car park expire at the end of January—do pop into the church office to purchase a new one for the year.
- **Seniors event** - Tonbridge Lions Club Senior Citizen's Party: Feb 14. For more information, contact Neal Charlesworth nverallc@gmail.com

OTHER NEWS

- **NEW** A reminder that the next **Mini Concert at Tonbridge School** is taking place on Wed 4 Feb, 2.30pm. Do let the Church Office know if you would like to attend.

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 1 FEBRUARY

| St Peter & St Paul 8am Communion Service: Hope we are called to: Ephesians 1: 15-23 10.45am Communion Service Hope we are called to: Ephesians 1: 15-23 (with creche (age 1-4), Junior Sunday Club (pre-school - Y1), Senior Sunday Club (Y2-5) and SOS (Y6-9)) 6pm Evening Service: Comfort, grace, renewal (2): Psalm 103 (Refresh (Y10-13) meeting: 5-7pm) | St Philip 10.45am Morning Service: Hope we are called to: Ephesians 1: 15-23 | St Saviour 10.45am Morning Service: Hope we are called to: Ephesians 1: 15-23 | St Andrew 10.45am Morning Service: Hope we are called to: Ephesians 1: 15-23 |
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Church Office opening hours: Mon 10am-1pm, Wed 9am-12pm, Thurs 10am-1pm and Friday 10am-1pm

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