



# TONBRIDGE PARISH CHURCH

## WEEKLY NEWS - SUNDAY 1 FEBRUARY

### THIS SUNDAY

St Peter & St Paul	St Philip	St Saviour	St Andrew
<p>8am Communion Service: The hope we are called to: Ephesians 1: 15-23</p> <p>10.45am Communion Service The hope we are called to: Ephesians 1: 15-23 (with creche (age 1-4), Jnr Sunday Club (pre-school-Y1), Snr Sunday Club (Y2-5) and SOS (Y6-9))</p> <p>6pm Evening Service: Comfort, grace, renewal (2): Psalm 103</p> <p>(Refresh (Y10-13) meeting: 5-7pm)</p> <p><b>4 Feb: Wednesday Communion Service</b> Hope we are called to: Ephesians 1: 15-23</p>	<p>10.45am Morning Service: The hope we are called to: Ephesians 1: 15-23</p>	<p>9.15am Morning Service: The hope we are called to: Ephesians 1: 15-23</p>	<p>9.45 Morning Service: The hope we are called to: Ephesians 1: 15-23</p>

### CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

- **NEW There's always good news with Jesus...!** It was a joy to be together last Sunday as a whole church family and to hear more about growing a culture of serving together in ministry teams, rather than getting tasks done on rotas! Please continue to pray on for how we can all, together, develop this in our church. *Ben*

#### **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.*

- **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 : THIS SUNDAY 1 Feb – upstairs StP&P**

**Creche – 15 Feb – downstairs StP&P**

- **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.

- **NEW** If any one has a **pastoral care books** at home that they're not using we'd be grateful if they could return it to racks in the foyer. If you would like to keep it please let us know and if able to contribute towards a new copy. Also look out for new titles arriving soon (full list of all the titles we have will also be on the website).

## **OTHER NEWS**

- **NEW** Thank you to everyone who supported the **Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Gift Appeal**. News just in that the UK collected and sent out 232,844 shoebox gifts which went to children in Albania, Moldova, Serbia, Ukraine, a persecuted church country in Eastern Europe, a country in Central Asia and a country in the Middle East. Globally, supporters have donated 12,205,900 shoebox gifts this year. This means 12.2 million children will experience the joy of knowing they are loved and not forgotten and will have the opportunity to hear about Jesus. Thank you for making this possible.

## **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 8 FEBRUARY**

<b>St Peter &amp; St Paul</b>	<b>St Philip</b>	<b>St Saviour</b>	<b>St Andrew</b>
<p>8am Communion Service: Refreshing love and faith: Philemon 4-7</p> <p>10.45am Morning Service Refreshing love and faith: Philemon 4-7 (with creche (age 1-4), Jnr Sunday Club (pre-school-Y1), Snr Sunday Club (Y2-5) and SOS (Y6-9))</p> <p>6pm Evening Service: Restoration, commitment, hope (1): Psalm 121</p> <p>(Refresh (Y10-13) meeting: 5-7pm)</p>	<p>10.45am Communion Service: Refreshing love and faith: Philemon 4-7</p>	<p>9.15am Morning Service: Refreshing love and faith: Philemon 4-7</p>	<p>9.45 Morning Service: Refreshing love and faith: Philemon 4-7</p>

**Church Office opening hours:** Mon 10am-1pm, Wed 9am-12pm, Thurs 10am-1pm and Friday 10am-1pm

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