

Welcome to St Peter's

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St Peter's Church Newsletter

13th October 2020

Wednesday Night Prayer

Our regular night prayer is on Wednesday evening at 8pm. Greg will open the meeting at 7.30pm for anyone wanting a chat or time of fellowship. We have a regular group of around 20 people meeting each week, so why not join us? Please follow the Zoom link to join the meeting.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84419493153?pwd=cjVuMGc1ZVFXNmVDRXF5YVJWdWV6dz09>

Meeting ID: 844 1949 3153

Passcode: 404895

Holy Communion Service – Sunday 18th October

We will be holding a Communion Service again in Church at 11.00am this Sunday. The service will be shorter than normal and without singing of hymns but we are excited about this opportunity to gather in person once more. Numbers will be limited but if you would like to book a place, please contact Ros in the Church Office on 841359 or Email: st.p.wellesbourne@gmail.com.

The online service will still be available each week and we will show the online service in church as normal from 10am for those who cannot access the service on line.

Wellesbourne Mother's Union

I have been asked if we would consider replacing the Christmas stocking with Christmas gift bags in conjunction with Wellesbourne & Walton Community Cares, these will be delivered to local people who are isolated, elderly, or vulnerable and who live alone. If you would like to donate an item or make up a A4 Christmas bag, I would come and collect it or deliver to 22 Mountford Close. Greg has agreed to video the blessing of the bags in church on the first Sunday in Advent socially distanced of course.

Suggested items:

Chocolates, marmalade, Christmas TV guide, puzzle/ crossword book, Christmas cake, Christmas pudding, Christmas biscuits, pickles, mince pies, toiletries etc.

Please note no homemade produce to be included because of correct allergen labelling.

Thank you in anticipation, Veronica

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Face Masks

Please note that everybody aged 11 or older coming to church on Sunday morning or to any group in the church centre is required to wear a facemask. Facemasks are also required to be worn in the church building for private prayer on Mondays and Fridays.

Poem in the Porch

19th Sunday after Trinity – 18th October

Turning Fifty

Having known war and peace
and loss and finding,
I drink my coffee and wait
for the sun to rise,

With kitchen swept, cat fed,
the day will quiet,
I taste my fifty years
here in the cup.

Outside the green birds come
for bread and water.
Their wings wait for the sun
to show their colours.

I'll show my colours too.
Though we've polluted
even this air I breathe
And spoiled green earth;

though, granted life or death,
death's what we're choosing,
and though these years we live
scar flesh and mind,

still, as the sun comes up
bearing my birthday,
having met time and love
I raise my cup -

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dark, bitter, neutral, clean,
sober as the morning -
to all I've seen and known -
to this new sun.

Judith Wright - 1915-2000

The Australian poet Judith Wright was also an uncompromising environmentalist and social activist campaigning for Aboriginal land rights. I include this poem for all hard working, socially aware young women turning fifty just now, including our youngest daughter. They may be at the most pressurised time of their lives. Their children may be in their testing teen age years. Their parents may be ageing and needy. They will have been through a lot in their lives by now but they themselves may be rather less resilient. For them, as for everyone, there will be the demands and uncertainty by being in the middle of a worldwide pandemic. There is a lovely touch of bright hope at the end of this poem as she raises her cup to the "new sun". Let's pray for the Son to shine brightly in dark times.

Tina Lamb

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