

Church News

October 2021

Christ Church

Rothley Road
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St Peter's Church

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Services at Christ Church & St. Peter's Church

Date	Time	Service	Venue
Sunday 3 October	9.30am	Holy Communion*	St. Peter's
	11.00am	Holy Communion	Christ Church
	4.00pm	Fun@4 (see page ??)	Christ Church
Sunday 10 October	9.30am	Matins*	St. Peter's
	11.00am	All Age Worship	Christ Church
	4.00pm	Senior Sunday	St. Peter's
Sunday 17 October	11.00am	Holy Communion with prayers for healing	Christ Church
	6.00pm	Evensong*	St. Peter's
Sunday 24 October	9.30am	Holy Communion*	St. Peter's
	11.00am	Morning Prayer and thanksgiving	Christ Church
Sunday 31 October	11.00am	Sunday Worship	Christ Church
	4.00pm	All Souls Memorial service	St. Peter's
Monday 1 November	7.00pm	All Saints Holy Communion*	St. Peter's
Sunday 8 November	9.30am	Matins*	St. Peter's
	11.00am	Holy Communion	Christ Church
	4.00pm	Fun@4	Christ Church

** Service taken from the Book of Common Prayer*

Morning Prayer at Christ Church and online, 9am

Tuesday * Wednesday * Thursday* Friday

Meeting ID: 786 8201 8817

Passcode: 032244

Please Note:

No Morning Prayer from 12th to 15th October Inclusive.

Learning to be still

How are you doing? How are your stress and anxiety levels?



Over recent weeks, I have been reflecting on words of Jesus from the sermon on the mount recorded in Matthew's gospel. In this teaching, Jesus instructs us not to worry. *"Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes?" (Matthew 6.25)*

With twenty-four hour news coverage available at our fingertips, it seems that we absorb more bad news in a day than our predecessors used to in a lifetime; and without a doubt there have been many issues of concern over recent weeks and months – Covid, climate change, Afghanistan, murders, food poverty, rising gas prices... the list goes on. When faced with all of these issues, it is a wonder that any of us dare get out of bed in the mornings.

What is your strategy for dealing with these stressful situations? Some people choose to ignore the issues and continue with their own agendas seemingly unaware of the needs of others around them; some people do what they can to help knowing that they can't help everyone; others, and you may be one of them, take each issue to heart and become overwhelmed with stress and anxiety.

Church can be a good place to find some peace and quiet in the midst of our busy lives. I would like to encourage each one of you reading this to visit a Church (or some other quiet place) to sit in quietness and stillness and reflect on these scriptures; and, as you do, may you meet with the living God and learn, once again, to trust him for all things.

1 Peter 5.7: Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.

Matthew 11.28-29: 'Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.'

Psalms 55.22: Cast your cares on the Lord and he will sustain you.

(Cont'd overleaf)

Isaiah 41.13: For I am the Lord your God who takes hold of your right hand and says to you, Do not fear; I will help you.

Isaiah 40.31: those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.

Philippians 4.6-7 Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

If you need to talk, phone me or drop me an email.

With love and blessing,

Colin Resch

Diary Dates

Friday 1 October

10.00am till 12 Noon: Coffee Morning at Christ Church

7:15pm Christianity Explored Course at Christ Church

Monday 4 October

9.30am Sunbeams at Christ Church

1.30pm Craft Group meets at Christ Church

Wednesday 6 October

8.00am School Prayers at Christ Church & St. Peter's CE School, see page 10

Friday 8 October

10.00am till 12 Noon: Coffee Morning at Christ Church

7:15pm Christianity Explored Course at Christ Church

Monday 11 October

9.30am Sunbeams at Christ Church

1.30pm Craft Group meets at Christ Church

Wednesday 13 October

8.00am School Prayers at Christ Church & St. Peter's CE School, see page 10

Friday 15 October

10.00am till 12 Noon: Coffee Morning at Christ Church

7:15pm Christianity Explored Course at Christ Church

Diary Dates (Cont'd)

Monday 18 October

1.30pm Craft Group meets at Christ Church

Wednesday 20 October

7.30pm Homegroup at the Vicarage, see page 14

Friday 22 October

10.00am till 12 Noon: Coffee Morning at Christ Church

7:15pm Christianity Explored Course at Christ Church

Monday 25 October

9.30am Sunbeams at Christ Church

1.30pm Craft Group meets at Christ Church

Wednesday 27 October

8.00am School Prayers at Christ Church & St. Peter's CE School, see page 10

Friday 29 October

10.00am till 12 Noon: Coffee Morning at Christ Church

7:15pm Christianity Explored Course at Christ Church

Saturday 30 October

10.00am Christianity Explored away day at Christ Church

Diary Dates for November

Monday 1 November

9.30am Sunbeams at Christ Church

1.30pm Craft Group meets at Christ Church

Wednesday 3 November

8.00am School Prayers at Christ Church & St. Peter's CE School, see page 10

7.30pm Homegroup at the Vicarage, see page 14

Friday 5 November

10.00am till 12 Noon: Coffee Morning at Christ Church

7:15pm Christianity Explored Course at Christ Church

Monday 8 November

9.30am Sunbeams at Christ Church

1.30pm Craft Group meets at Christ Church

Tuesday 9 November

7.30pm Just4Ladies at Christ Church, see page 16

Wednesday 10 November

8.00am School Prayers at Christ Church & St. Peter's CE School, see page 10

Friday 12 November

10.00am till 12 Noon: Coffee Morning at Christ Church

Climate change is affecting every single person and animal on this planet we call home right now.

WHOSE RESPONSIBLE FOR CLIMATE CHANGE?

It is a statement of fact, we cannot be any more certain; it is unequivocal and indisputable that humans are warming the planet.

The IPCC report on Climate Change (quoted above) was released in August 2021 and states that climate change is widespread, rapid and intensifying. It has found changes in the Earth's climate in every region and across the whole climate system.

Prof Ed Hawkins, one of the authors of the report, says "The consequences will continue to get worse for every bit of warming and for many of these consequences, there's no going back".

WHAT HAS CAUSED CLIMATE CHANGE?

The Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it. *Genesis 2: 15*

Mankind has not cared for the planet as God expected us to do. Instead we have over used its resources for our own purposes.

The climate and the earth's temperature are being influenced by:

- The burning of fossil fuels that provides energy to heat & light our homes and to make the goods we buy.
- The use of fossil fuels to transport us, the goods and food we enjoy around the world.
- The cutting down of forests such as the rain forests in Brazil to make way for vast plantations where products such as bananas, palm oil, pineapple, sugar cane, tea and coffee are grown.
- The intensive farming of animals to provide us with meat & dairy products.

WHAT IS THE IMPACT OF CLIMATE CHANGE?

The Earth is warming, rainfall patterns are changing, and sea levels are rising. UK Met office

The most obvious impacts of this are:

- More frequent & intense droughts
- Rising sea levels as the ice caps & glaciers melt.
- Higher temperatures.
- Sea temperatures rising.
- Storms and increased rain fall.

These impacts are already directly harming animals, destroying the places they live and wreaking havoc on people's livelihoods and communities. More extreme temperatures in the form of heatwaves and increased flooding will affect people's health, property and businesses.

WHAT CAN WE DO ABOUT CLIMATE CHANGE?

**Even if we were to stop all emissions today,
we would not prevent some changes. UK Met Office**

This does not mean that we should not try to cut emissions as the sooner we do so, the smaller the changes will be.

- We can reduce emissions by:
- Reducing our energy use, which will also reduce our bills.
- Eating less meat and dairy.
- Leaving the car at home and cut down on the amount we fly.
- Respecting and protecting green spaces, planting trees.
- Investing our money responsibly.
- Cutting down the amount we consume and waste.

We can also talk about the changes we are making to our family and friends and encourage them to do the same. These changes are not just about improving the lives of future generations but about improving our lives and those of our neighbours.

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WHAT IS COP26 AND HOW CAN WE EFFECT IT?

COP26 is The United Nations climate change conference where almost every country on earth will be represented. It is taking place in Glasgow from the 1st to 12th November. This conference will be a pivotal moment in the fight against climate change.

What can we do? - We can pray:

- for Alok Sharma MP, the Secretary of State of Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy who will be COP26 President and will preside over the COP26 negotiations.
- for all the world leaders taking part that they will work together for the benefit of all peoples.
- that the world leaders have the courage to make the hard decisions that need to be made.

We will be thinking about this during one of our services this month.



Starting Rite is a baby-centred course run over 5 weeks for mum's or dad's and babies who aren't yet on the move. It includes lots of fun activities - singing, storytelling, bathing, baby-touch, and other multi-sensory play.

There are 5 sessions:

Peek-a-boo! - We use different material to hide our faces while singing peek-a-boo songs to our babies. This session talks about how we can know God.

How Much Love! - We do lots of baby-touch. This session is all about God's love for us.

Splash! We splash around in water and look at lights inside a tent. Here we talk about baptism.

Bubble-talk! - We blow bubbles to our babies and roll beach balls around to each other. We learn about prayer.

Storytime! - Three bible stories are acted out; we get to play with pebbles, sand, material, and toy sheep. This is about reading the bible.

We are hoping to run a course after October half-term on Wednesday mornings, if you are interested to find out more or sign up, please contact Alison White (Children & Family Worker) you can call, text or WhatsApp on 07305 664009 or email at ali-soncfw.christchurchstpeters@gmail.com



Christ Church and St. Peter's
Mountsorrel

Children's Page

Bible Sunday - 24th October

Have you ever wondered what **John 3:16** means? The bible is a collection of 66 books written by different authors, and to find a particular passage you have to know the bible reference. So, **John 3:16** is found in the book of John, Chapter 3, and is verse 16. Each book in the bible is split into Chapters, much like any book you have at home. These chapters are usually quite small and are then split again into verses. If you are not sure where to find the right book in your Bible, have a look in the index at the front of the Bible. The Chapter number is the big number on each page, usually only one per page. The verse number is the number in the small type next to the words within the chapter. This verse, **John 3:16** is possibly one of the most famous verses of all. Look it up and see what it says

Now you know what a bible reference is, see if you can find the message hidden in these bible references. (For the sake of this puzzle the number in red is the number of the word you need to find in each verse). You need to use a NIV copy of the bible (like the one we have in Church). If you don't have one (and each edition reads slightly differently) you could use this link <https://www.biblica.com/bible/niv/genesis/1/> to help.

1. Luke 2:45¹³
2. Jeremiah 52:16⁴
3. Romans 4:12⁶
4. Mark 9:3⁵
5. Job 41:32³
6. Exodus 26:21⁸
7. Luke 23:38⁵
8. Acts 21:2¹¹
9. Corinthians 16:14³
10. 3 John 1:9⁵

Have fun and please only take one!

Next month I shall be telling you about our All-Age Nativity, to be held on Saturday 18th December at St. Peter's Church in the afternoon, so please do keep this date free.

"I will give you hidden treasures, riches stored in secret places, so that you may know that I am the LORD, the God of Israel, who summons you by name". [Isaiah 45:3]

Linda
(Children and Families Worker)



**Sunday 3rd October, 4pm
at Christ Church**



Everyone is welcome.

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Christ Church & St Peter's CE Primary School
'Aiming High & Caring for Everyone'



**Praying for our school
Every Wednesday in
Term time at 8am**

**Meet in the library space by
Reception at school**

Candle Prayers

As we move through autumn towards winter, and it gets dark earlier everything can seem dull and a bit miserable so let's make everything a bit lighter by using candles to pray!



Tea-lights are probably the safest candles to use with children and if you want to be really safe you could use the battery tea-lights and adapt some of the prayers. You might also have candles already around the house that you use – any candles are fine as long as they are safe and stable when lit.

Here are a few ideas for praying with candles.

- Light a candle for each person in your family, as you light each candle say 'God bless (name)' - when you have prayed for everyone, enjoy blowing the candles out!
- This one needs lots of candles, you could use birthday candles stuck into something firm like an orange (or even a cake if you happen to have one!) Light the candles, then try to blow them out. How many candles are still burning? Think of that many things you are thankful for and thank God for them – 'Thank you God for Amen.' If you manage to blow all the candles out, relight them and stand further away to blow them out – hopefully some will stay lit then!
- Do you know someone who is unwell? You could light a candle for them and ask God to be with them and help them. If it is safe to do so, you might want to leave this candle lit for a while as a sign of your prayer.
- If you have a scented candle, before lighting it, smell it – what does it make you think of? If it makes you think of something happy thank God for it, if it makes you think of something sad, ask God to help you with it.
- You might want to finish your prayer time by lighting a single candle and praying something like this;



**Loving God, thank you for Jesus who is the light of the world,
Please help us to shine his light and love into the world.**

Amen

Remember!
Don't leave candles unattended.
Hot wax burns.
Don't leave children alone with candles.
Take care



Take care & keep praying!

Alison White
Children & Family Worker

Could You be a School Governor?

You may already be aware that many of the Primary schools in this area and Rawlins Academy are all Church of England Schools. This means that the schools are supported by the Diocesan Board of Education. The Church of England has always been concerned with education in many forms and the history of Church schools began when the National Society for the Promotion of Education was founded in 1811.

As you can imagine, much of the day-to-day activity of schools are managed by head-teachers and their senior leadership team. However the strategic direction of the school is generally directed by the board of governors. Governors are volunteers who offer strategic guidance and support to their school communities. Being a governor is a great way to give your skills back to the community. Although anyone over 18 can apply to be a governor, Church of England schools are also expected to have a number of Foundation Governors who are trained and supported by dioceses.

Nearly three years ago, Clare Darby was appointed as the new principal at Rawlins. She says "Rawlins is a Church of England Academy and at the centre of our work are our Christian values of compassion, wisdom and endurance. Our focus is to provide an environment that enables our pupils to be wise, compassionate and forgiving." It is great that the Principal is committed to enhancing the Christian impact on the school. If you do a Google-search for 'Rawlins Visions and Values' you will see the visions and values supported by Bible references.

At the start of this year there were three Foundation Governors at Rawlins, one of whom is David Bowler, the vicar in Quorn. As you probably know, David is due to retire at the end of October, and one of the other Foundation Governors has recently resigned from the board, which will leave just one Foundation Governor, Colin Shipway.

If you would like to find out more about what it involves to be a Foundation Governor then Colin would be more than happy to speak to you about this. If you think that this is not something for you then that would be fine, but please pray that God will call the right people to these positions. This is a great opportunity for us, as Christians, to have a very positive impact on the lives of many young people in our community.

If you would like to speak to Colin Shipway, Colin Resch can give you his contact details.

What's the best news you've ever heard?

Was it surprising? Did it change the way you think? Or was it something you wanted to be true but didn't dare hope?

Christianity Explored is a relaxed and informal way of sharing the best news you can ever hear, and gives people space and time to think about the big questions of life. So come along and bring a friend who needs to hear this good news.

Over seven sessions in Mark's Gospel, guests find out more about the life of the person at the heart of the Christian faith – Jesus Christ. Starting at 7.15pm with tea and coffee, the structure of each session is simple: a short Bible study, a short talk/film and a discussion based on the talk.

Course Outline:

~~Session 1. Friday 24 September: Good News~~

Session 2. Friday 1 October: Identity

Session 3. Friday 8 October: Sin

Session 4. Friday 15 October: The cross

Session 5. Friday 22 October: Resurrection

Session 6. Friday 29 October: Grace

Optional Day Away. Saturday 30 October 10am — 4pm

The Sower: Listen carefully

James and John: Ask humbly

Herod: Choose wisely

Session 7. Friday 5 November: Come and die



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Fellowship Group at the Vicarage

It is with great excitement that we announce that the Fellowship Group that meets at the Vicarage is re-starting. Our first meeting will be on Wednesday 1st September at 7:30pm and fortnightly thereafter.

The group will be both in person and via zoom for those who find it easier to take part that way due to family and work commitments.

We will be following The Prayer Course, which is an eight-week journey through the Lord's Prayer covering the following sessions:

1. ~~Why Pray?~~
2. ~~Adoration~~
3. Petition
4. Intercession
5. Unanswered prayer
6. Contemplation
7. Listening
8. Spiritual warfare

The zoom details are: Meeting ID: 858 3431 7001 Passcode: 643768

We are open to new members joining so if you are not part of an existing home group and would like to join us, please do. Have a word with either of us if you have any questions.

Liz & Colin Resch

All Souls Service

Please join us for this inspirational service honouring the memory of those we miss.

Sunday 31st October 2021

4.00pm

St. Peter's Church

Market Place, Mountsorrel LE12 7BA

- Readings, Hymns, Prayers, Silence
- Free to the Community
- All Welcome
- Refreshments to follow

For more information call:

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Christ Church/St. Peter's Church, Mountsorrel





Discover More about Ringing

at www.bellringing.org and www.cccbr.org.uk

for more information and great videos of what ringing is about,
plus contacts for learning to ring.

St. Peter's Church, Mountsorrel

Are you aged over 10 and under 100? Do you want to get fit?

Do you have an hour to spare on a Tuesday evening @ 7pm?

If so, come to St. Peter's and learn to bell ring.

- The exercise is gentle (we have light bells as well as some heavy ones)
- You will find us a friendly bunch; we are all learning together and you will be welcomed as one of the "Team"
- We do ring for some Sunday Services but not all. We sometimes ring for special services during the week and weddings.

Please come to ring and help tell everyone there is a Church at the centre of village life.

For further details contact.

David Bird on 0116 2303095.

THE RINGERS LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING FROM YOU!



Just 4 Ladies

come along and take part in

A Bible Study on Mary Magdalene

Date: Tuesday 9th November

Time: 7:30pm

Venue: Christ Church



Christ Church with St Peters Sunbeams

**A group for babies & pre-school children
accompanied by their parent/carer.**

9.30-11.30 am at Christ Church
every Monday during term time.

Just come along or contact
alisoncfw.christchurchstpeters@gmail.com
for more information.

All welcome



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Coffee Morning

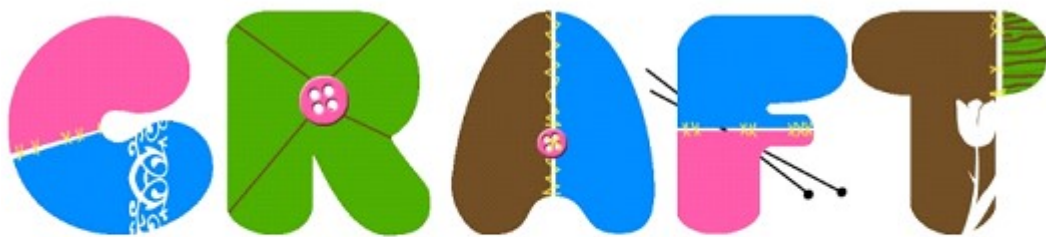
Every Friday in Christ Church

Pop in and make some new friends



*Tea & Coffee
Cakes
Conversation*

10am – 12noon



Group

Meet at Christ Church

1:30 - 3:30pm at Christ Church

Every Monday

Except Bank Holidays

*New members
Are always
Welcome!*

St. Peter's Church are pleased to announce:

Senior Sunday is back

Ready to welcome old friends and new

4.00pm at St. Peter's, on the second Sunday of each month

Please let Leslie or Colin know of any people over 60 who would value going to a short service followed by refreshments.

Thank you for supporting the Mountsorrel Community Food Project, we are very grateful for your donations.

**Please remember to contribute
food and toiletries to help those in
need in our community**



**There is a collecting
box
near the main Church
door.**

At the moment we would really appreciate :

- Tinned fruit, small tins of ham, tinned tuna
- Tinned meat based main meals and tinned vegetables
- Bottles of squash

Thank you on behalf of the Food project team and the people we support.

Chris Budd

Just a reminder that I am still collecting used postage stamps for The Leprosy Mission. There are boxes at the back of each church for putting them in.



Thank you.

Janet Wright



The Leprosy Mission

Leprosy defeated, lives transformed

Need Prayer or a Home Visit?

If you, or someone you know, is in need of prayer, then please contact our confidential Prayer Chain via Liz Resch on 0116 429 9946 or via email at lizresch64@gmail.com

If you would like a home/hospital visit for prayer and/or communion, please leave a message for Revd Colin Resch on 0116 429 9946 or send an email to revcolinresch@icloud.com

Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals

For enquiries about Christenings (baptisms), weddings or funerals at either Christ Church or St Peter's Church, please contact Revd Colin Resch on 0116 429 9946 or via email at revcolinresch@icloud.com

Get the latest information via our web pages -

<http://cofe.mountsorrel.org/>



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*(Copy date for the next newsletter is Monday 25th October, but
if items are ready, please send earlier)*