

# *Church News*



June 2022

## **Christ Church**

**Rothley Road  
Mountsorrel  
LE12 7JU**

## **St Peter's Church**

**Market Place  
Mountsorrel  
LE12 7BA**

## Services at Christ Church & St. Peter's Church

Date	Time	Service	Venue
Sunday 5 June <b>Whit-Sunday</b>	9.30am	Holy Communion*	St. Peter's
	11.00am	Holy Communion	Christ Church
	12.00 Noon	The Platinum Jubilee Big lunch	Christ Church
Sunday 12 June <b>Trinity Sunday</b>	9.30am	Holy Communion*	St. Peter's
	11.00am	All Age Worship	Christ Church
	4.00pm	Senior Sunday	St. Peter's
Saturday 18 June	4.00pm	Muddy Church	Vicarage Orchard
Sunday 19 June <b>Father's Day</b>	11.00am	Holy Communion	Christ Church
	6.00pm	Evensong*	St. Peter's
Sunday 26 June	9.30am	All Age Communion	St. Peter's
	11.00am	Sunday Worship	Christ Church
Wednesday 29 June <b>St. Peter's Day</b>	7.00pm	Patronal Festal Holy Communion*	St. Peter's
Sunday 3 July	9.30am	Matins*	St. Peter's
	11.00am	Holy Communion	Christ Church
	4.00pm	Fun@4	St. Peter's

*\* Service taken from the Book of Common Prayer*

### Morning Prayer, 9am: in Christ Church

**Tuesday \* Wednesday \* Thursday\* Friday  
and online (via Zoom)**

**Monday \* Tuesday \* Wednesday \* Thursday\* Friday**

**Meeting ID: 786 8201 8817 - Passcode: 032244**

**Please note: No Morning Prayer  
Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> to Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June inclusive**

## True and Faithful Service

It can't have escaped your notice that we are celebrating, as a nation and commonwealth, the Platinum Jubilee of our Queen. This remarkable achievement is something truly to be celebrated regardless of whether you are a fan of the Royal Family or staunchly republican. Of course in most cases, seventy years of loyal service to the same employer may be considered verging into the category of employee abuse; but the Royal Family is different. Our Queen is not an employee nor is she under any obligation to continue doing what she does day after day - very few people would mind if, at the age of 95, she started taking things a bit easier.

Over the last eighteen months, the world of employment has seen a phenomenon taking place called 'The Great Resignation'. Record numbers of people have been quitting their jobs. The reasons for quitting or dropping out of the labour force are quite varied. They include lack of adequate childcare, low pay, concerns about Covid, burnout and fatigue. Some are quitting in search of better work opportunities, self employment or better pay.

This 'Great Resignation' has not escaped the Church either. Many clergy have quit their offices (don't worry, I'm not planning on quitting just yet) citing increased workload, lack of respect, stipends not keeping up with the cost of living and fatigue. But we have also seen 'The Great Resignation' impact the Church as volunteers re-assess their priorities and relinquish their responsibilities with no one ready or prepared to take them on. More and more tasks are then loaded onto the already overburdened clergy impacting on their levels of desire to keep going.

St Paul implores us to *'Be devoted to one another in love. Honour one another above yourselves. Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervour, serving the Lord. Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practice hospitality.'* (Romans 13.10-13)

At our baptism, we are signed with the Cross – our badge of office – and encouraged to fight valiantly as a disciple of Christ against sin, the world and the devil, and remain faithful to Christ to the end of our lives. We are also encouraged to 'shine as a light in the world to the glory of God the Father'.

Today, if you are feeling like giving up... take a moment to be renewed by God's grace; consider God's calling on your life and carry on. Unlike our Queen, we may not receive any recognition on earth for our dedicated service; but we continue serving nevertheless knowing that a greater reward awaits us: 'Well done, good and faithful servant'.

With every blessing,

*Colin Resch*





# Diary Dates

## **Wednesday 1 June**

7.30pm Fellowship Group at the Vicarage (see page 9).

## **Friday 3 June**

10.00am till 12 Noon: Coffee Morning at Christ Church.

## **Sunday 5 June**

12:00 Noon. The Platinum Jubilee Big lunch at Christ Church.

## **Monday 6 June**

9.30am Sunbeams at Christ Church.

1.30pm Craft Group meets at Christ Church.

## **Wednesday 8 June**

8.00am School Prayers at Christ Church & St. Peter's CE School.

10.00am Sunbeams at Christ Church.

## **Friday 10 June**

10.00am till 12 Noon: Coffee Morning at Christ Church.

## **Saturday 11 June**

3.00pm Renewal of Vows, Ben & Lisa Royston at Christ Church.

## **Monday 13 June**

9.30am Sunbeams at Christ Church.

1.30pm Craft Group meets at Christ Church.

## **Wednesday 15 June**

8.00am School Prayers at Christ Church & St. Peter's CE School.

10.00am Sunbeams at Christ Church.

7.30pm Fellowship Group at the Vicarage (see page 9).

## **Friday 17 June**

10.00am till 12 Noon: Coffee Morning at Christ Church.

## **Saturday 18 June**

4.00pm Muddy Church at Christ Church Vicarage Orchard (see page 8).

## **Monday 20 June**

9.30am Sunbeams at Christ Church.

1.30pm Craft Group meets at Christ Church.

## **Wednesday 22 June**

8.00am School Prayers at Christ Church & St. Peter's CE School.

10.00am Sunbeams at Christ Church.

## **Friday 24 June**

10.00am till 12 Noon: Coffee Morning at Christ Church.

## **Monday 27 June**

9.30am Sunbeams at Christ Church.

1.30pm Craft Group meets at Christ Church.

## Diary Dates (Cont'd)

### Tuesday 28 June

7.30pm Just4Ladies at The Vicarage (see page 11).

### Wednesday 29 June - St. Peter's Day

8.00am School Prayers at Christ Church & St. Peter's CE School.

10.00am Sunbeams at Christ Church.

7.00pm Holy Communion at St. Peter's (Patronal Festal, see page 13).

7.30pm Fellowship Group at the Vicarage (see page 9).

## Diary Dates for July

### Friday 1 July

10.00am till 12 Noon: Coffee Morning at Christ Church.

### Monday 4 July

9.30am Sunbeams at Christ Church.

1.30pm Craft Group meets at Christ Church.

### Tuesday 5 July

7.00pm Joint PCC Meeting at St. Peter's.

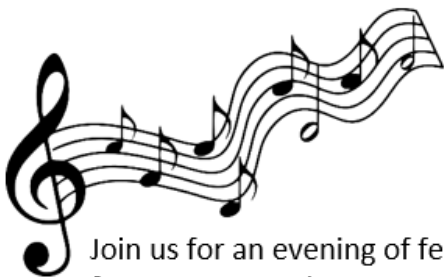
### Wednesday 6 July

8.00am School Prayers at Christ Church & St. Peter's CE School.

10.00am Sunbeams at Christ Church.

### Friday 8 July

10.00am till 12 Noon: Coffee Morning at Christ Church.



## Musical Fellowship

Join us for an evening of fellowship and music. We are NOT a choir, we are NOT practicing for any concert, but we MAY sometimes sing at a Sunday Morning Service,

We are a group of like-minded people who love to sing and listen to others and we take it in turns to choose a song we would like to sing, so there is no programme to follow. So far we have two guitars, one piano and a recorder, what could you bring?

If you would like to join us, our next meeting is at Christ Church on Wednesday June 8th at 7.30pm.

Linda, Mel, Jenny and Toni



# **Prayer Ideas**

At St Peter's and Christ Church we support and pray for a number of different Christian Charities that work in this country and abroad to improve the lives of others and show them God's love and compassion.

Please find some prayer pointers to help us to pray for global issues and the Charities we support and their work throughout the world:

## **Compassion :**

Sri Lanka is facing its worst economic crisis since 1948. Food, medicine & fuel are difficult & expensive to acquire.

- Pray that families are able to access essential resources such as food, medicine and fuel.
- Pray against the rise of child labour.
- Pray for Compassions operations and local partners.
- Pray against anxiety, fear and stress.

## **Open Doors:**

- Pray for the two Christian Women in Iran who have started two-year prison sentences for involvement in church activities.
- Pray for Pastor Andrew in Nigeria who has rebuilt his church after it was burnt down by Boko Haram.
- Pray for all the widows of murdered pastors.

## **Tear Fund:**

- Pray for an end to extreme poverty and injustice.
- Pray for wisdom & resources for the Tear Fund team in Burundi as more Churches want to partner with them.
- Pray for those communities across the Horn of Africa who are facing severe hunger, pray for urgent food provision for those in need.

## **Church Mission Society:**

- Pray for the CMS team in Ukraine.
- Pray for the children going hungry in Afghanistan.
- Pray for the protests in Sri Lanka against the government, pray that they stay peaceful.

## **Thy Kingdom Come – 26<sup>th</sup> May till 5<sup>th</sup> June**

- Continue to pray for 5 people in your life to know Jesus.

*Pray continually (1Thessalonians 5:17)*

Liz Resch, Mission Co-ordinator at Christ Church.



Fun@4 in May was very red, white and blue as we thought about the upcoming Jubilee in June!

We enjoyed icing biscuits, making keyrings, decorating bunting and making badges all in red, white & blue.

Helen, who can (just) remember the Queen's coronation told us about her memories of it including going to a neighbours house to watch it because they had a TV! She also brought some memorabilia and books from the Coronation which everyone enjoyed looking at.



We thought about the example the Queen has shown of being faithful to God and a follower of Jesus.



## THE BIG JUBILEE LUNCH

There is **NO** Fun@4 on Sunday 5th June, instead you are all invited to join us at Christ Church for our Sunday Morning Worship at 11 and/or after, at about 12.30, for a jubilee picnic, a time of fellowship and a few games, if you so wish.

At 4pm we shall move into the Church to watch the Platinum Jubilee Pageant.

# Christ Church Vicarage Orchard



Don't forget your Wellies!

4pm  
Sat. 18<sup>th</sup> June 2022

Everyone is welcome to join us for  
an hour of outdoor worship.  
Campfire, Marshmallows, Activities, Story,  
Singing and Prayers. All in the great outdoors!

To find out more contact Alison or Linda:

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[lindacfw.christchurchstpeters@gmail.com](mailto:lindacfw.christchurchstpeters@gmail.com)

 Supported by  
**Charnwood**



# Muddy Church at Christ Church, Saturday May 21<sup>st</sup>



In May at Muddy Church, we wondered about the Holy Spirit.

Those who wanted to, gathered around the fire to hear the story of Jesus' followers receiving the Holy Spirit for the first time.

We enjoyed bubbles, making kites, a sensory hunt, making natural sparklers and wind chimes. All of these related to the wind and fire which we heard about in our story.



We also enjoyed singing around the fire and roasting marshmallows to make S'mores!



## FELLOWSHIP GROUP AT THE VICARAGE

*Day by day, as they spent much time together at the temple,  
they broke bread at home. (Acts 2:46)*

Meeting in a small group to worship, study and pray together allows for more interaction and deeper study than is possible during a Sunday morning service.

The Fellowship Group will be meeting at The Vicarage and online on Wednesdays: 1<sup>st</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> June, in the evening at 7:30pm.

We would love you to join us, in person or online using:

Zoom ID: 858 3431 7001      Passcode: 643768

If you would like more information, please speak to Liz or Colin Resch.

## Prayer Chain

At Christ Church & St Peter's Church we believe that prayer is one of the foundations of the Christian Faith. In prayer, Christian believers speak directly to and with God. We believe that God delights to hear our prayers; and that prayer can make a difference.

We have a small group of Church members who have committed to pray for others. Currently if you would like this group to pray for you or a friend you contact Liz Resch and she sends the message out for you.

But now you can also contact the Prayer Chain direct by completing the form on our website at: [mountsorrelchurch.org/prayer](https://mountsorrelchurch.org/prayer).

The information on the form will be circulated to the members of the prayer chain for prayer. All requests received this way will be treated with complete confidentiality.

## Sunbeams news

Sunbeams had an extended Easter break and restarted again in May.

Over the last couple of weeks, we have enjoyed learning about Zacchaeus, the very short man who didn't have any friends.

Through meeting Jesus, Zacchaeus was changed – he probably realised why he didn't have any friends and went about putting things right where he had done wrong.



Zacchaeus is a great example of Jesus doing the unexpected and reaching out to people who others thought weren't worthy of Jesus' time and attention.

You can find the story of Zacchaeus in the New Testament, Luke, chapter 19.



We've also enjoyed lots of playing, singing and our crafts have included leaf printing and tissue paper trees to which we added a little Zacchaeus climbing the tree!

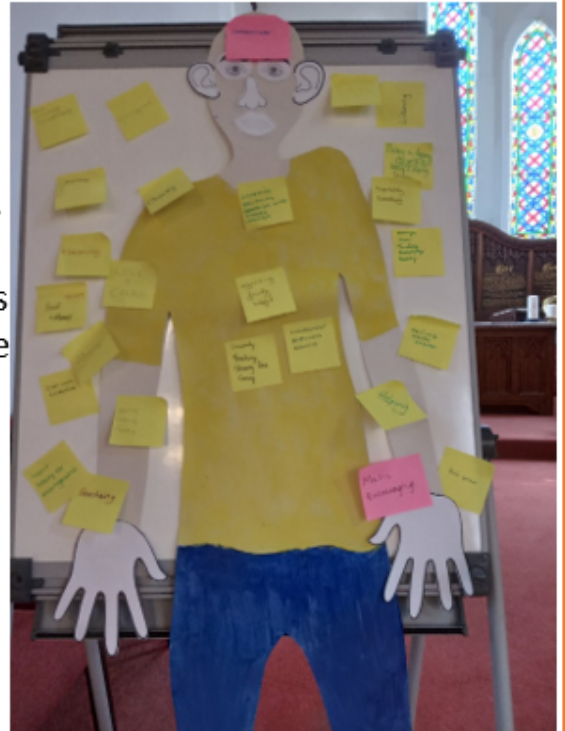


## All Age Sunday Worship

In May, we thought about what it means to be Church. Our bible reading from Romans 12, likened the human body to the body of Christ and talked about serving God and each other and the various gifts that we, the body of Christ may have. We put together a life size body adding some parts that were missing and then wrote down gifts we have and gifts we see in others and stuck these on and around the body demonstrating how blessed with gifts we are.

For our time of saying sorry, we thought about things that hold us back from serving and supporting each other, we then linked together some paper chains and chained up a willing volunteer who was released from her chains after we'd said sorry.

We also thought about how we should support each other in our churches, communities and wider world and prayed for each other using some Makaton signs. I think my favourite gift I saw written down was 'willing to help' – it made me think that actually, in terms of serving, that's all we're asked for, God will provide us with all we need for any situation where we are willing to help.



## *Just 4 Ladies*

# Pudding Night Social

Date: Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2022

Time: 7:30pm

Venue: The Vicarage

If you will be bringing a pudding please let Liz know.

Some of you may recall that in May 2020 we had intended to hold a Craft Fair, but this had to be cancelled due to the pandemic. Also, from time to time, I have been asked “Are we going to have a Church Outing again?”

I can now confirm that both events will be taking place during 2022. So, here are dates for your diaries of future events:-

**Saturday 6th August 2022 - Flower Festival at Lincoln Cathedral.**



Lincoln Cathedral will be celebrating their 950 years. Their theme this year will be ‘Vision’.

A visit is being arranged to witness what is set to be a unique and inspiring display throughout the Cathedral. There will be something for all to appreciate, from the Mayflower Pilgrim’s journey to the New World, the Moon Landing, plus much more. We will follow this by enjoying a Cream Tea together in the afternoon. More details to follow when available.

**Saturday 15th October 2022 – Craft Fair**

Just in time to be thinking of Christmas!

A Craft Fair will take place, with a variety of stalls selling items such as Jewellery, Glassware, Candles, Handcrafted Story Spoons, Eco products, just to name a few.

Proceeds will be for the benefit of Christ Church Funds.

***Veronica***



**St. Peter's Church, Mountsorrel**

**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May**

**to Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> June**

**at 8.30pm**

**All Welcome**

**Daily Compline**



**St Peter's Church**

**Patronal Festival**

**Wednesday**

**29<sup>th</sup> June 2022**

And I say also unto thee,  
That thou art Peter, and upon  
this rock I will build my  
church; and the gates of hell  
shall not prevail against it.  
Matthew 16:18

**Holy Communion (BCP)**

**7:00pm**



## Walk in Swithland Woods.

During Holy Week our eldest grandson Josh and I enjoyed a most enjoyable 1 ½ mile walk through Swithland Woods with members of St Leonards Church. Jerry Griffiths, a local Christian Guide, was very knowledgeable of our surroundings. We were made to feel most welcome by the Fellowship both during the walk and afterwards at Church where Hot Cross Buns and drinks were provided.



I understand that there may well be another walk taking place in the autumn. I do recommend their walks, particularly as time was taken to stop, reflect, listen to the birdsong and give thanks for the beauty of God's creation.

Of course, Josh just had to go through the mud!



**Veronica**





**Starting Rite** is a baby-centred course 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.

#### **Sessions include:**

**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.

**We'll also have an extra story in some of our sessions and think about why we tell stories and stories from the bible.**

This course will be running on Thursday mornings after half-term at Christ Church, Mountsorrel. Doors open 9.45am and the sessions will run from 10 to around 11.30am. (Dates: June 9th, 16th, 23rd, & 30th). There are 10 places on each course. Coffee/tea and treats provided!

To sign up, please contact Alison White (Children & Family Worker) you can call, text or WhatsApp on 07305 664009 or email at [alisoncfw.christchurchstpeters@gmail.com](mailto:alisoncfw.christchurchstpeters@gmail.com)



**St. Peter's Church, Mountsorrel**  
**Daily Compline**  
**Thurs 26th May - Sat 4th June, Incl.**  
**At 8.30pm.**  
**All Welcome**



## **Concert**

to celebrate  
the **Platinum Jubilee** of  
**HM Queen Elizabeth II**

in **Rothley Parish Church**  
**Friday 3rd June 2022 at 7.30pm**

**ALL WELCOME**

Retiring Collection

Proceeds to  
Soar Valley Community Food Project



**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.**

To request a food parcel,  
Please call or text **07395 956777** before Sunday 9pm.

**Open Tuesdays 10.00 to 11.15 am**

**Mountsorrel Baptist Church, Leicester Road. LE12 7AJ**

<https://www.mountsorrelbaptistchurch.org/index.php?contact>



*Senior Sunday*  
*Welcomes*  
*Friends, Old and New*  
*At St. Peter's Church, Mountsorrel*  
*2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the Month*  
*4.00pm - 5.30pm*



## Sunbeams

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

**Mondays 9.30-11am**

**Wednesdays 10-11.30am**

**Christ Church, Mountsorrel**

Play, Refreshments, Bible story, Craft,  
Singing & Prayer.

Contact [alisoncfw.christchurchstpeters@gmail.com](mailto:alisoncfw.christchurchstpeters@gmail.com)

or search for Sunbeams Mountsorrel group on Facebook to book in for a session



**All welcome**





# **CRAFT**

## **Group**

### **Meet at Christ Church**

**1:30 - 3:30pm at Christ Church**

**Every Monday**

**Except Bank Holidays**

*New members  
Are always  
Welcome!*

# *Coffee Morning*

*Every Friday in Christ Church*

*Pop in and make some new friends*



*Tea & Coffee  
Cakes  
Conversation*

*10am - 12noon*



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 by completing the form on our website at [mountsorrelchurch.org/prayer](https://mountsorrelchurch.org/prayer) or via Liz Resch on 0116 429 9946 or via email at [lizresch64@gmail.com](mailto: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@mountsorrelchurch.org](mailto:revcolinresch@mountsorrelchurch.org)

## **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@mountsorrelchurch.org](mailto:revcolinresch@mountsorrelchurch.org)

**Get the latest information via our web pages:**

<https://mountsorrelchurch.org>



Christ Church/St. Peter's Church, Mountsorrel

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*(Copy date for the next newsletter is Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> June, but  
if items are ready, please send earlier)*