Church News

November 2026



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 1 November	9:30am	Holy Communion*	St. Peter's Church
	11:00am	Holy Communion	Christ Church
	4:00pm	All Souls' Memorial Service	St. Peter's Church
Sunday 8 November	9:30am	Holy Communion*	St. Peter's Church
	11:00am	All Age Worship and Act of Remembrance	Christ Church
	3:00pm	RBL Remembrance Service	St. Peter's Church
	4:30pm	Senior Sunday	St. Peter's Church
Wednesday 11 November	10:00am	School Year 6 Remembrance Service	St. Peter's Church
	11:00am	Act of Remembrance	Peace Garden
Sunday 15 November	11:00am	Holy Communion	Christ Church
	6:00pm	Evensong*	St. Peter's Church
Sunday 22 November	9:30am	Holy Communion*	St. Peter's Church
	11:00am	Morning Prayer	Christ Church
Sunday 29 November	11.00am	Word & Worship	Christ Church
	6:00pm	Readings & Carols for Advent Service	St. Peter's Church
Sunday 6 December	9:30am	Matins*	St. Peter's Church
	11.00am	Holy Communion	Christ Church

**Service taken from the Book of Common Prayer*

Morning Prayer

9am in Christ Church and online (via Zoom)

Monday - online only

Tuesday * Wednesday * Thursday* Friday

Meeting ID: 786 8201 8817, Passcode: 032244

Please Note: No Morning Prayer

From: 16th - 27th November inclusive

Are You Ready ?

With the news that two winter storms were on the way, Liz and I decided it was time to tidy the patio area and prepare it for winter. It doesn't seem that long ago that we were preparing it for the Summer - only to hardly use it because it was simply too hot outside - but now, winter is on the way. And so away goes the summer furniture and the barbecue.

At the end of this month, we mark Advent Sunday. This is the beginning of our countdown towards Christmas but, perhaps more importantly, a time to pause and reflect on our own lives as we prepare the coming of God's Kingdom. It is a time to think about the signs that led up to the first coming of Christ and to think about his second coming.

Jesus told several parables about making sure we are ready for the day of his return. Matthew 25 contains three of them. Ten young women went out to meet the bridegroom, but he was delayed. Five were prepared with extra oil for their lamps and were able to enter the banquet, five were not prepared and the door was closed while they went to buy extra oil. This parable is followed by the parable of the talents where two servants were trustworthy with the gold entrusted to them by their master, but one was not - simply hiding the gold in the ground until his master returned. The two were rewarded, the other cast into outer darkness. The third parable is the Sheep and the Goats which sees righteous people separated from the unrighteous, just as sheep and goats are separated. The unrighteous are sent to eternal punishment, but the righteous receive eternal life.

These parables remind us to prepare ourselves and to be ready for that day when Jesus returns. None of us knows the day or the hour - it might be a long time away; it might be very soon. We don't know - and that's the point. We need to be ready each and every day .

We know how to ready our homes and gardens for visitors and even for the seasons or the year. Are we just as prepared for the day when Jesus will return?

Something to ponder. With every blessing,

Colin Resch

Diary Dates

Monday 2 November
9:30am Sunbeams at Christ Church.
Wednesday 4 November
8:00am School Prayers at Christ Church & St. Peter's CE School.
3:00pm The Gap at Christ Church.
Friday 6 November
10:00am till 12 Noon: Coffee Morning at Christ Church.
Saturday 7 November
10:00am till 4:00pm Craft Fair at Christ Church (see page 9).
Monday 9 November
9:30am Sunbeams at Christ Church.
Wednesday 11 November
8:00am School Prayers at Christ Church & St. Peter's CE School.
11:00am Act of Remembrance at the Peace Garden.
3:00pm The Gap at Christ Church.
6:00pm Rooted at Christ Church
7:00pm Fellowship Group at the Vicarage (see page 10).
Friday 13 November
10:00am till 12 Noon: Coffee Morning at Christ Church.
Monday 16 November
9:30am Sunbeams at Christ Church.
Wednesday 18 November
8:00am School Prayers at Christ Church & St. Peter's CE School.
3:00pm The Gap at Christ Church.
Friday 20 November
10:00am till 12 Noon: Coffee Morning at Christ Church.
Monday 23 November
9:30am Sunbeams at Christ Church.
Wednesday 25 November
8:00am School Prayers at Christ Church & St. Peter's CE School.
3:00pm The Gap at Christ Church.
6:00pm Rooted at Christ Church
Friday 27 November
10:00am till 12 Noon: Coffee Morning at Christ Church.
Saturday 28 November
10:00am: Place2Be at Christ Church.
Monday 30 November
9:30am Sunbeams at Christ Church.

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Diary Dates for December 2026

Wednesday 2 December
8:00am School Prayers at Christ Church & St. Peter's CE School.
3:00pm The Gap at Christ Church.
6:00pm Rooted at Christ Church.
Thursday 3 December
12:00pm - 8:00pm: Tree set-up for the Christmas Tree Festival.
Friday 4 December
10:00am till 12 Noon: Coffee Morning at Christ Church.
12:00pm till 5:00pm: Christmas Tree Festival at Christ Church (see page 11).
Saturday 5 December
10:00am till 5:00pm: Christmas Tree Festival at Christ Church (see page 11).
Sunday 6 December
1:00pm till 5:00pm: Christmas Tree Festival at Christ Church (see page 11).
Monday 7 December
Note: NO SUNBEAMS TODAY
7:00pm Carols amongst the Trees at Christ Church (see page 11).
Tuesday 8 December



Donations by Monday 14th December to: Christ Church, St. Peter's Church or to Mountsorrel Baptist Church

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 local and global issues and the Charites we support.

World Conflict:

- Pray for the journalists risking their lives to report on the different conflicts and the media companies who are choosing which wars and conflicts should be covered.
- Pray for both the leaders in the nations that are directly affected by the conflict and for the leaders of nations who can affect the outcome.
- Pray for protection, comfort, and courage for the churches in nations touched by war.
- Pray for pastors, churches and non-government organisations; that they would be equipped with all they need in the situation to bring relief.
- Pray for all those who have been affected by conflict; those that mourn, the injured, the homeless, the displaced and refugees living in other countries.

Tearfund:

- Pray for communities in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), who face the twin threats of ongoing poverty and an Ebola outbreak.
- Pray for Tearfund's staff, local pastors and faith leaders in the DRC as they set up clean water stations and share life-saving hygiene advice.
- Pray for people with physical disabilities in the DRC, that they may receive the specialised equipment they need to stay healthy.
- Pray for expectant mothers in the DRC, that good hygiene will provide a safe environment for the next generation.
- Pray that more resources will create more health and economic freedom across the DRC.

Mountsorrel:

- Pray for Linda as she retires this month.

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- Pray for our Church Wardens and PCC members.
- Pray for the All-Saints Memorial Service and all who will be attending.
- Pray for the other churches in the village and the work of Churches Together in Mountsorrel.

Pray continually (1Thessalonians 5:17)

Liz Resch

Mission Co-ordinator at Christ Church.

Having Faith — Answer to Prayer



Dear friends,

After nearly three years and having scans & bloods being taken over the last two weeks, the results show that I am now cancer free! PTL.

I no longer have to take twice daily meds for the chemo treatment, but will continue for a while with the ones for heartburn and peripheral neuropathy, as I am still plagued with those....a small price to pay . Having previously said - I've held onto Footprints in The Sand.

Without the prayer support of so many friends, Church family & UCCF family, I truly believe that the outcome would have been so different, not to mention to my family for their relentless support.

So thank you all so much for your prayer support which has been so powerful.

It's been laid on my heart to raise funds for Cancer Research but with autumn & winter fast approaching this will not take place until May next year. More of that later.

My story can be found on:-

https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/veronicas-giving-page-496

Love & Blessings to you all and once again, many thanks,

Veronica



All Souls' Service

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

Sunday 1st November 2026
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:
07878 029879
Email: revcolinresch@mountsorrelchurch.org
www.mountsorrelchurch.org

Christ Church/St. Peter's Church, Mountsorrel



Sunday 8th November at 4.30pm

Craft Fair

at

Christ Church

Rothley Road

Mountsorrel

LE12 7JU

Saturday, 7th November, 10am - 4pm

Lunches and Refreshments available throughout the day

All proceeds are for Christ Church funds,
so your generosity is appreciated.

There will be a selection of stalls such as:

- Hand-made Arts & Crafts
- Craft Earrings
- Scarves & Gloves
- Themed Cups
- Pom-pom Decorations
- Knitting Wool
- Tatting
- Water Colour Paintings
- Decorated Bottles
- Hand-knitted baby clothes
- Skin care products
- Hair Scrunchies
- Poppies
- Decorated Bottles
- Resin Crafts
- Bespoke Jewellery & Accessories
- Books & Stationery, Pens & Key rings
- Diamond Art Cards, Kits and Coasters
- Embroidered sewn & paper crafted items
- Silk/dried flower arrangements
- Hand-made Knitted Crochet & sewn items
- Santa Sacks, Stockings, Cat & Dog Stockings & Christmas Eve Boxes

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)

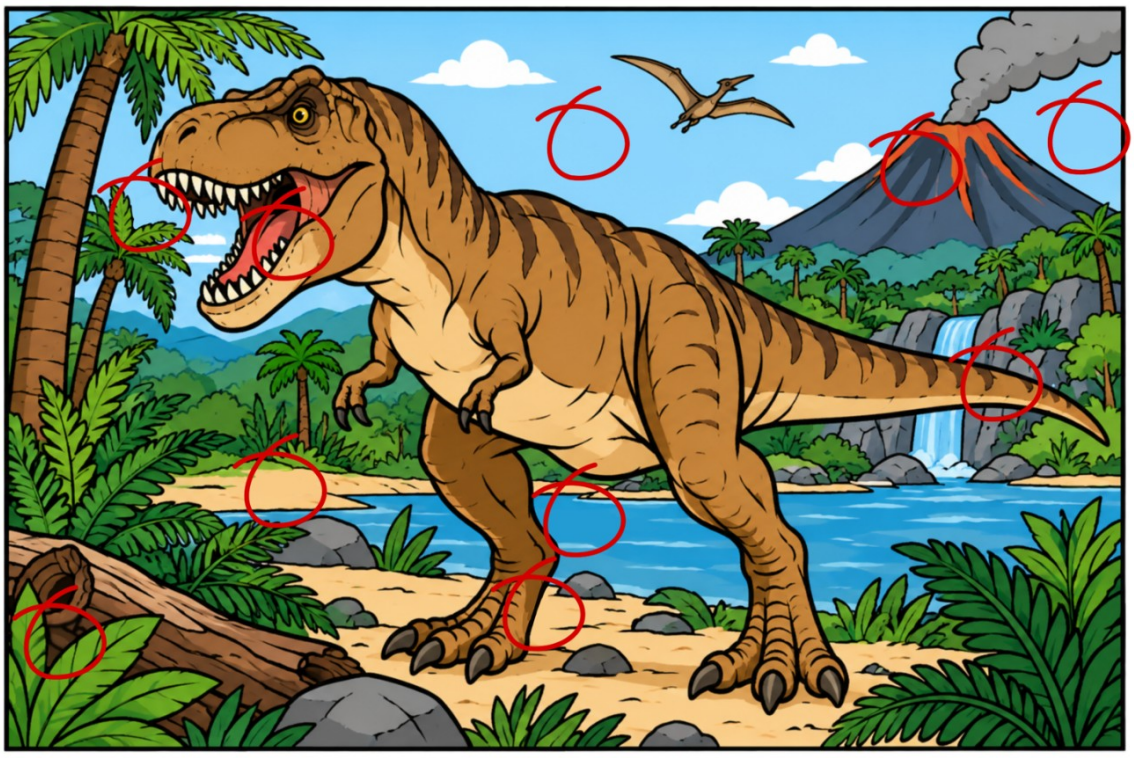
Meeting in a small group to worship, study and pray together allows for more interaction and deeper study than is possible during a Sunday morning service.

The Fellowship Group will be meeting at The Vicarage on:
Wednesday, 11th November in the evening at 7:00pm.

We would love you to join us.
If you would like more information, please speak to Liz or Colin Resch.

Solution to last Month's

Tyrannosaurus Rex Spot the Difference





Volunteers will be needed to help with the following:

Before the festival: Getting bits out of the loft and setting up tables.

During the festival: Welcoming visitors



If you are available for this service and willing to read a Bible Passage or a Poem, please contact Liz.

Advent Sunday



A service of readings and hymns for Advent

Sunday 29 November
6pm
St Peter's Church Mountsorrel

All are welcome

We take our duty and obligation to protect all people extremely seriously.

Our Safeguarding co-ordinator is Mel Rowley.
Her contact details are on the back of the newsletter.



Should you have any cause for concern, please speak with her or Colin. If you do not wish to speak to either of them, forms are available as well as an online form.
https://mountsorrelchurch.org/raising-safeguarding-concern/

If there is immediate danger, please call 999



Sunbeams

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



Mondays 9.30-11.30am
Christ Church, Mountsorrel

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



Contact alison.white@mountsorrelchurch.org

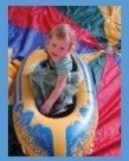
or search for 'Sunbeams Mountsorrel' group on Facebook





All welcome

Term-Time Only







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, contact the Prayer Chain direct by completing the form on our website at:

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.

I am still recycling genuine branded and unbranded printer ink cartridges (not toner cartridges) for Guide Dogs for the Blind. Please leave any that you have in the boxes available in both Churches.

Janet Wright



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. You can also telephone your prayer request to Colin Resch on 07878 029879.

If you would like a home/hospital visit for prayer and/or communion, please leave a message for Revd Colin Resch on 07878 029879 or send an email to 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 07878 029879 or via email at:

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 Monday 23rd November, but if items are ready, please send earlier)