



Candlemas Bells

The Wye Dore Parishes

Madley, Peterchurch, Turnastone, Tyberton, Vowchurch.

News and Notices for the weeks:

Sunday 21st January 2018, 3rd Sunday of Epiphany

Sunday 28th January 2018, Candlemas

If you are a visitor to our church, welcome, and may the Peace of Our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. If you are reading this at one of our services, please speak to us after the service finishes. If you are reading it on our website, please get in touch – see the contacts section. We would like very much to get to know you better. Please pray for us and our ministry.

Collect for 21st January

Almighty God,
whose Son revealed in signs and miracles
the wonder of your saving presence:
renew your people with your heavenly grace,
and in all our weakness
sustain us by your mighty power;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Collect for 28th January

Almighty and ever-living God,
clothed in majesty,
whose beloved Son was this day presented in the
Temple, in substance of our flesh:
grant that we may be presented to you
with pure and clean hearts,
by your Son Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Sunday Services 21st January 2018

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| Vowchurch | 10:30am | Holy Communion with Prayers for Healing |
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Sunday Services 28th January 2018

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| Tyberton | 9:30am | Informal Family Service |
| Madley | 11:00am | Holy Communion with Sunday Club |
| Peterchurch | 4:00pm | St Peter's Bistro |

Weekly Activities at St Peter's Centre

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| Monday 2pm-3pm Pilates. The class is for all ages and abilities. For more information please call Emma on 07702241725. £6 a session. 7pm-8.30pm Peterchurch Community Choir. Contact: Joyrickwood3@yahoo.co.uk |
| Tuesday 11am-2pm The Hub Café. Great coffee, yummy cakes, lovely light lunches. 12:30pm-1:30pm Physio and Occupational Therapy Drop-in Sessions 6.45pm-8pm Yoga. For more information call 01981 250 341, email info@yogaskies.co.uk or visit www.yogaskies.co.uk . |
| Wednesday 11am-2pm The Hub Café. Great coffee, yummy cakes, lovely light lunches. 1pm-5pm Peterchurch Library. Borrow great books; discover new worlds! |
| Thursday 10am-11.30am Children's Centre/Little Fishes Baby and Toddler Group. Fabulous fun and play time for under 5s. 9.30am-11am Kids Play Café. Exclusively for 1-4 year olds and their parents/carers. 11am-2pm The Hub Café. Great coffee, yummy cakes, lovely light lunches. 11am-6pm Peterchurch Library. Borrow great books; discover new worlds! 4.30pm-6.30pm Food Assembly. Order local produce on-line and collect from this fun weekly event. www.thefoodassembly.com 7pm-9pm cLan Makers Group. Make, create, meet! info@clan-cic.org 01981 550043 |
| Friday 11am-2pm The Hub Café. Great coffee, yummy cakes, lovely light lunches. |
| Saturday 10am-12noon Peterchurch Library. Borrow great books. |

Food for Thought: Are You a Priest or a Samaritan?

Years ago cycling in London's dense traffic my wife unable to avoid a large slick of diesel across the road slid off with a thump! To reach her I had to fight the oncoming traffic that had just driven round her prone body rather than stop, let alone help! Not an isolated incident but an awful fact that if someone fell in a crowded street there'd be fewer helpers than if that same street was near empty!

A priest happened to be going down the same road, and when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. So too, a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan, as he travelled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity on him. He went to him and bandaged his wounds...Lk10:31-34.

We all fall short but **no matter how 'spiritual' we think we are can matter less than behaving as a 'mere' human!**

We can be so Heavenly minded we're of no earthly good!



If you would like people to pray for something or someone in complete confidence please contact Jean Buffon on 550480.

We are also looking for new volunteers to be part of the prayer tree. Simon

Gospel readings & Psalms from the Lectionary

3rd Sunday of Epiphany (21st January) Psalm 128, John 2.1-11

Candlemas (28th January) Psalm 24.[1-6] 7-end, Luke 2.22-40

2nd Sunday before Lent (4th February) Psalm 104.26-end, John 1.1-14

Please Pray for:

those preparing for marriage
those who have departed
those who need support

those preparing for baptism or confirmation
those who are ill or in need
those giving thanks

Raising Money Through Ecclesiastical Insurance

To celebrate 130 years of business, Ecclesiastical Insurance will donate £130 to each Church insured with them for every new home insurance policy taken out with them from members of the Church, until 31st May 2018.

Policy's **must** be taken over the phone, **0800 917 3345**, quoting ref: **TRUST130**.

Please check with your Church to see if Ecclesiastical is your insurer, and do consider them when you get a quote! *Thank you*

Prayer Theme:

Lord Jesus, today you call us to welcome the members of God's family who come to our land to escape oppression, poverty, persecution, violence and war.

Help us by your grace,

- To banish fear from our hearts, that we may embrace each of your children as our own brother and sister;
- To welcome migrants and refugees with joy and generosity, while responding to their many needs;
- To realize that you call all people to learn the ways of peace and justice;
- To share of our abundance as you spread a banquet before us;
- To give witness to your love for all people, as we celebrate the many gifts they bring.

A prayer from the Nouwen Network -

God, no one is a stranger to you

And no one is ever far from your loving care.

In your kindness watch over migrants, refugees and asylum seekers,

Those separated from their loved ones,

Those who are lost

And those who have been exiled from their homes.

Bring them safely to the place where they long to be,

And help us always to show your kindness to strangers and those in need.

We ask this through Christ our Lord who too was a refugee and migrant

Who travelled to another land searching for a home. Amen

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Mid-week Celtic Prayer Services - All are welcome

9:00am Wednesdays at Peterchurch

9:00am Thursdays in Madley Crypt

Other Gatherings

Bread Making at Madley Stables, 10:00am Monday 22nd January

Messy Church at Madley, 3:30pm Monday 22nd January

Holy Communion at Maureen Bowran's House, 2:00pm Wed 24th January

Bread Making at Madley Stables, 10:00am Monday 29th January

Jungle Club at Madley Stable, 6:15pm Monday 29th January

Tyberton Lent services and talks 2018

Lent starts on February 14th, Ash Wednesday. The service will be at 7.30.incl imposition of ashes.

Our talks this year will be based on Acts 2. 42-47, about the early church. So we're inviting reflection on the church then and now! Some speakers have experience of urban church, which is different from our rural experience. Others will come from different denominations.

Dates : Feb 14, 21, 28, March 7, 14, 21

We have some speakers already booked, who will bring a variety of approaches and experience.

More details to follow - watch this space.



Website: Contact Steve Edwards for any updates to our website - follow the link on www.wyedoreparishes.org.uk. Don't forget to check 'Notices and Events' on the Website to keep up-to-date with what's going on.

Pew Sheet: To receive the Pew Sheet via Email every week, send an email to fiona@iamwatchingyou.co.uk and you will be added to the list. Deadline for articles in the pew sheet is **Wednesday** evening. Email or Tel 01981 250605.