



TONBRIDGE PARISH CHURCH

WEEKLY NEWS - SUNDAY 16 FEBRUARY 2024

THIS SUNDAY

<p>St Peter & St Paul 8am Communion Service: The family doctor: John 3: 1-8; Romans 8: 9-17</p> <p>10.45 Morning Service: The family doctor: John 3: 1-8; Romans 8: 9-17 <i>With creche (0-4s), Sunday Club (4-11s) and SOS (11-14s)</i></p> <p>6pm Evening Service: The net: Matthew 13: 47-50</p> <p>5-7pm: Refresh (14-18s) - not meeting (half term)</p>	<p>St Philip 10.45 Morning Service: The family doctor: John 3: 1-8; Romans 8: 9-17</p>	<p>St Saviour 9.15 Morning Service: The family doctor: John 3: 1-8; Romans 8: 9-17</p>	<p>St Andrew 9.45 Communion Service: The family doctor: John 3: 1-8; Romans 8: 9-17</p>
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CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

- **NEW There's always good news with Jesus...!** And it is great to share that with others - which is what we were able to do at our Burns Night Ceilidh last Friday. There was a great atmosphere amongst the haggis, poetry and dancing and we give thanks to all who helped with the event and all who came along. Join us in praying that those visitors who came would want to return to church to find out more about Jesus. *Ben*

- **Lent Course 2025: Six steps to loving your church.** At this year's **Lent Course** we will be thinking about what it means to love our church. We looked at this three years ago, but the church has changed so much over that time! On top of which our parish review will see us changing together over the coming months. So, it's a great thing to think about this year again.

The Home Group programme collapses to enable all to join. But you don't have to be part of a home group to join. All who are part of our church family in any of our congregations are welcome. **Tues eves 7.45-9.15pm at St Peter & St Paul, starting 4 March (then 18 March, 25 March, 1 April, 8 April & 15 April).**

LENT COURSE SIGN UP [HERE](#) or via website or church office.

- **NEW GET THE DATE IN YOUR DIARY—MORE INFO AND BOOKINGS SOON! Church Family Away Day 2025 - save the date! Saturday evening 21 June and all day Sunday 22 June. Bishop Chavasse school, Tonbridge.** A great opportunity to grow in love and bonds of affection as a church family together. Join with us for barn dance on Saturday evening, followed by a day on Sunday of teaching and worship together with guest speaker; plus craft, sport and other activities in the afternoon.

- We are continuing to build the **Deep Pastoral Care** area of our ministry across our congregations and are excited to be able to share with you a new resource.

Available in the foyer at St Peter & St Paul for the whole church family are **various small booklets covering a variety of pastoral topics and concerns;** from forgiveness, marriage, suffering, parenting to grief and many more. 28 different topics in total. If there is a topic you would find helpful to be covered please do let us know as there are many more titles in the series! These are helpful resources to find support for yourself or a friend, or help you to know how to support a friend. To equip us to come alongside one another through the highs and lows of life, helping us to think more about how we respond as Christians to challenges and how we better equip ourselves in our walk with Jesus and one another.

Please do make use of this valuable resource, take, read, share and return. If the book is a resource you would like to keep perhaps consider making a donation to the church office and let Alison Minton know so that we can replenish the stock. **NEW** A list of titles is now available on the new pastoral care tab of our website (under the tab 'Church Life').

- **Upcoming Families Breakfasts:** *Creche: 16 March*
All Families: 30 March for special Mothers' Day Breakfast

- We are needing to **replace the table tennis table** upstairs at St Peter and St Paul. If anyone has one they are seeking to rehouse, or would like to donate specifically towards this, please let the church office know.

- **NEW Lent read:** For those wanting a book to read during Lent can we recommend... **'In Quietness and trust' (for adults) by Matt Searles** and **'Wonder of Easter' (for families) by Ed Drew**



OTHER NEWS

- **NEW Southern Women's convention, 'None greater!' (looking at Micah 6v8) with keynote speaker Carolyn Lacey:** Sat 7 June, 9.30am-4.15pm, All Saints church, Crowborough. Bookings open on Sun 16 Feb—books up quickly to do sign up using this link [HERE](#). and let the church office know if you are planning to come to we can arrange lifts together.

REGULAR GROUPS AND ACTIVITIES

Day	Group	Meet at...	Contact
Mon 17th	Book Club	10.15-11.45am, St Peter & St Paul	Wendy Carr / wendy.carr@tonbridgeparishchurch.org.uk
	Coffee lounge	10am-12pm	Parish Office / parishoffice@tonbridgeparishchurch.org.uk
	Merry Makers	10am-12pm, St Peter & St Paul	Yvonne Burgess / bidburgess@gmail.com
	Coffee Break (inc. Thought for the Day)	10:30-11.30am, St Saviour	Alison Wise / a.wise.7@btinternet.com
Tues 18th	Teddies (Toddler Group for parents / carers)	Half term—not meeting	teddies@tonbridgeparishchurch.org.uk
Wed 19th	Tiny Acorns (parent & carer under-1's)	10:30am– 12pm, St Peter & St Paul	Sara Thomson / sarajthomson44@gmail.com
	Coffee lounge	10am-12pm, St Peter & St Paul	Parish Office / parishoffice@tonbridgeparishchurch.org.uk
	Holy Communion	10am, St Peter & St Paul	Parish Office / parishoffice@tonbridgeparishchurch.org.uk
Thurs 20th	Stepping Stones (Women's Bible Study with creche)	Half term—not meeting	Josephine Sinclair / josephinedb@yahoo.co.uk
	Craft Workshop	1.30-4pm, St Peter & St Paul	Yvonne Burgess / bidburgess@gmail.com
	Connect (Year 6-9)	Half term— not meeting	Ed Pascoe / ed.pascoe@tonbridgeparishchurch.org.uk
Fri 21st	Church Family Prayers	9.30-9.50am on Zoom (853 4454 9144)	Parish Office / parishoffice@tonbridgeparishchurch.org.uk
	Coffee lounge	10am-12pm, St Peter & St Paul	Parish Office / parishoffice@tonbridgeparishchurch.org.uk
Sat 22nd	Prayer meeting	9-10am , St Peter & St Paul	Richard Roberts / richardbproberts2003@gmail.com
Various	Home Groups (for all Christians who are part of our church family across any of our four churches)	Various locations and times	John Schluter / john@schluter.ch

SUNDAY 23 FEBRUARY

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