

TONBRIDGE PARISH CHURCH WEEKLY NEWS - SUNDAY 23 FEBRUARY 2024

THIS SUNDAY

St Peter & St Paul	St Philip	St Saviour	St Andrew
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With creche (0-4s), Sunday Club (4-11s) and SOS (11-14s)			
6pm Communion Service:			
The lost sheep: Matthew 18: 10-14			
5-7pm: Refresh (14-18s)			

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

- **NEW There's always good news with Jesus...!** It has been so encouraging to see so many of the new pastoral care booklets being taken away and read it is so wonderful that God's word speaks into every area of our lives. Do chat and pray with us, or with one another, about what you have read or anything books have raised for you as you have sought wisdom and counsel through them. *Ben & Wendy*
- <u>Lent Course 2025: Six steps to loving your church</u>. 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).**

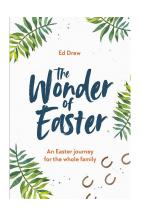
LENT COURSE SIGN UP HERE or via website or church office.

- **NEW Ash Wednesday Service**: Wed 5 March, 10am at St Peter & St Paul. Communion with option of ashing.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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 (copies available from Alyson)





OTHER NEWS

- 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.
- **NEW World Day of Prayer: Fri 7 March, 10.30am, St Peter & St Paul:** This year it is the turn of our church to host the World Day of Prayer service in Tonbridge. The service is interdenominational, and this year has been put together by Christian women of the Cook Islands (in the Pacific) to the theme Psalm 139: "I made you wonderful". It will be followed by refreshments and involves people from many churches in Tonbridge. Do come along and join with others in a service happening all over the world during the space of 24 hours, on the first Friday in March.

REGULAR GROUPS AND ACTIVITIES

Day	Group	Meet at	Contact
Mon 24th	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
	Men's Fellowship group	7.45pm, St Philip	Ray Tanner / raytanner_1@btinternet.com
Tues 25th	Teddies (Toddler Group for parents / carers)	9.30-11am, St Peter & St Paul	teddies@tonbridgeparishchurch.org.uk
Wed 26th	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
Thurs 27th	Stepping Stones (Women's Bible Study with creche)	10-11.30am, St Peter & St Paul	Josephine Sinclair / josephinedb@yahoo.co.uk
	Craft Workshop	1.30-4pm, St Peter & St Paul	Yvonne Burgess / bidburgess@gmail.com
	St Andrew Open Door	2-4pm, St Andrew	Parish Office / parishoffice@tonbridgeparishchurch.org.uk
	Connect (Year 6-9)	5-6.30pm, St Peter & St Paul	Ed Pascoe / ed.pascoe@tonbridgeparishchurch.org.uk
Fri 28th	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
	Women's fellowship group	7.30pm, St Philip	Marion Evans / marionevans244@gmail.com
Sat 1st	Prayer meeting	9-10am , St Peter & St Paul	Richard Roberts / richardbproberts2003@gmail.com
	Open House	10am-12pm, St Philip	Wendy Carr / wendy.carr@tonbridgeparishchurch.org.uk
<u>Various</u>	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 2 MARCH

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Church Office opening hours: Mon (10am-1pm), Wed (9am-12pm) & Fri (10am-1pm)