



TONBRIDGE PARISH CHURCH

WEEKLY NEWS - SUNDAY 23 MARCH 2025

THIS SUNDAY

<p>St Peter & St Paul 8am Communion Service: Prayer and faith: Mark 9: 14-29</p> <p>10.45 Morning Service: Prayer and faith: Mark 9: 14-29 <i>With creche (0-4s), Sunday Club (4-11s) and SOS (11-14s)</i></p> <p><i>No evening service due to Parish Review church family meeting</i></p> <p><i>No Refresh due to Parish Review church family meeting</i></p>	<p>St Philip 10.45 Morning Service: Prayer and faith: Mark 9: 14-29</p>	<p>St Saviour 9.15 Communion Service: Prayer and faith: Mark 9: 14-29</p>	<p>St Andrew 9.45 Morning Service: Prayer and faith: Mark 9: 14-29</p>
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CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

- NEW There's always good news with Jesus...!** Holiday Club 2025 is well under way! As the planning team met last week they were reminded of how wonderful it has been to see those connections with some Holiday Club families flourish this year (e.g. through some coming to church, Sunday Club, Teddies, Tiny Acorns, one off events and Open House). Join us in praying that these connections (and more!) would continue to grow and deepen. And with this excitement—do be thinking if and how you might be able to support Holiday Club this year— **volunteer sign up is Sunday 30th March!** *Ben*

Easter services & events - **FLYERS NOW AVAILABLE** - details below

SATURDAY 12 APRIL

at St Philip

10am-11:30am Open House Easter Egg Hunt (bookable via website)

GOOD FRIDAY 18 APRIL

at St Peter & St Paul:

10am Family Service and hot cross buns (for pre school & primary)

12-1pm Service of Reflection

1-2pm followed by an hour of Private Prayer

at St Andrew:

2-3pm Quiet Prayer (with music & hot cross buns to follow)

EASTER SATURDAY 19 APRIL

at St Saviour

2:30pm Easter Egg Hunt (no booking required)

EASTER DAY 20 APRIL

at St Peter & St Paul:

5:45am Sunrise Service in the churchyard

8am Communion Service

10:45am Communion Service (with children's egg hunt)

6pm Communion Service

Communion Services also at: **9:15am** St Saviour **9:45am** St Andrew **10:45am** St Philip

- NEW Maundy Thursday Meal for whole church family:** Thursday 17 April, 7.30pm at St Philip. Join us for a meal of lamb in pitta bread followed by stewed apple with figs and dates, as we remember Jesus' last meal with his disciples. **Tickets available from next week but save the date today!** Also, please note that this in place of our monthly prayer meeting in April—but this evening will be a great time to come and meet and prayer together!
- All families** with children/young people are invited for a **Mothering Sunday Breakfast:** Sun 30 March, 9.45am upstairs at St Peter & St Paul. Mothers - you are invited to breakfast with your family where your children will serve you delicious pastries, yoghurt, tea and coffee! Crafts and activities too.
- NEW Calling all young people 18-30ish!** Join us for a meal and a talk on where we find hope; speaker: Tor Maxted form our own church family – sign up via the website or [HERE](#)
- NEW Update on the church bells—they are coming home!** The bells are being delivered back home as we type (!) and will be available for all to view in the foyer **this Sat 9am-12pm and Sunday 8am-1pm.** Please note this weekend and next week the foyer will closed—please use the side entrance.

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.

- Church family funerals:**

John Ray went peacefully to be with the Lord on Mon 10 March at Hyllden Heights Care Home. Please hold Rhoda and the family in your thoughts and prayers at this time. A thanksgiving service for John's life will be held on Tuesday 15 April at 12 noon in St Peter & St Paul to which all are welcome.

Audrey Price went peacefully to be with the Lord on Friday 7 March at Tonbridge House Care Home. Please hold Andrew, Peter and Ray and the family in your thoughts and prayers at this time.

OTHER NEWS

- Easter Eggs for Spurgeons** (a local charity working with children and families who need additional support). Our annual Easter Eggs' collection, to send with Easter greetings to families, takes place **THIS SUNDAY 23 March**. Please bring your contributions to services on these Sundays so they can be delivered in good time to Spurgeons for distribution. Thank you.
- NEW Gas works** are taking place on East Street from 7-21 April 25 so please be aware that the road at the junction of Hadlow Road will be closed to through traffic. Access to pedestrians and cyclists will remain.

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	NOT MEETING THIS WEEK	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	7.30pm, St Philip	
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 29th	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 30 MARCH - MOTHERING SUNDAY

St Peter & St Paul 8am Communion Service: Mark 10: 13-16 10.45 All Age Morning Service: Mark 10: 13-16 6pm Communion Service: The ten virgins: Matthew 25: 1-13 <i>Refresh meeting 5-7pm</i>	St Philip 10.45 Morning Service: Mark 10: 13-16	St Saviour 9.15 Morning Service: Mark 10: 13-16	St Andrew 9.45 Morning Service: Mark 10: 13-16
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Church Office opening hours: Mon (10am-1pm), Wed (9am-12pm) & Fri (10am-1pm)