



The Parish Church of St Peter, Budleigh Salterton

St Peter's Mini-mag



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To all our Readers!

A New Year Message from the Vicarage

Dear Friends,

A New Year, with new possibilities, new resolutions perhaps?

The Christmas period saw some magnificent services in church by our church school – packed to the gunnels - and it became immediately apparent how many young families live in Budleigh Salterton. When I arrived here, the parish profile pointed this out and was heavy on the desire to reach out to the whole population, rather than just a specific section of it.

Karen and I are duty bound to take this seriously and try to repair one or two broken fences and in conversation with the school we are going to try four tailored services a year to start with for Mother's Day, Easter, Harvest and Christmas.

Baby steps you might argue but as was once said by Chairman Mao no less, "The longest journey starts with a single step".

Sunday afternoons in theory are a good time because the children's sporting commitments usually take place earlier in the day and it provides us with a blank canvas that doesn't conflict or overlap with our morning services.

For our church to not just survive, but to grow and thrive, we need to be more outward looking and take a few risks. Not all the risks will work but St. Peter's is too big and too important to Budleigh Salterton to fail. And we need a broader age range involved to make sure that doesn't happen.

I pray that 2019 will in future years be looked back on as the year of our renaissance as a community.

A very happy New Year to you all.

OPEN THE BOOK - Sue Low writes,

Every fortnight during the school terms one of two ecumenical teams go to three venues – Otterton Church, All Saints Church, East Budleigh and St Peter's School – to act out a story from the Bible to the children from the schools. These are very challenging days for the teams, but so rewarding.

We are warmly received and the children delight in participating with us as soldiers, angels, animals etc. etc. whatever the story entails. We have been well guided and co-ordinated by James McAdam who has led a simple worship session before and after the story.



This picture shows a recent presentation – GOD HAS NO FAVOURITES.

We are now well into our third year. The children's enthusiasm continues to grow and is wonderful. Please hold us in your prayers and thoughts. We need your support.

Celebrating Thenadays

- a reflection by Canon David Winter

'Auld Lang Syne' is sung over the New Year, especially in Scotland. It should, we are told, 'never be forgotten'. But what is it?

The words actually mean something like 'long time ago' and it is the 'acquaintances' of long ago that we should not forget. In other words, and somewhat to contradict the usual New Year greetings, it calls us to look back. The past, it says, is precious, as are the people who have been part of it for us.

At my age people often use the word 'nowadays'. Usually negatively – 'nowadays there's nothing good on the TV' or 'nowadays people never say thank you'. It's a mind-set that is shaped by the memory of a golden age that probably never existed. Yet there is a truth in there somewhere. If we find 'nowadays' unsettling, why not remember 'Thenadays'? Our past is who we are. Its people have shaped our lives. There is nothing wrong sometimes in looking back and remembering. As the song says, it should be 'brought to mind' – the 'old acquaintances' of our lives.

For me, for instance, that is my father taking me as a six-year-old to watch the steam trains go by. It's my grandparents in their Welsh village. It's old friends and colleagues, some from as long as 70 years ago, with all the laughter and tears we shared. And it's not just happy things like my own family but also the sad loss of loved ones and the feeling of helpless deprivation that follows. All of this is part of my 'Thenadays'.

As we wish people a 'Happy New Year' it's not a bad idea to pick up that strange Scots saying and invite them not to forget a human heritage which is ours – people, events, experience. 'Auld Lang Syne' is the totality of our lives as we have lived them. Looking back is often the best way of looking forward...



If you want to get anything into this Mini-mag, space permitting, just Email candjparrish@icloud.com or put it into the Mail Box in the church in the Magazine slot by, latest, **Mon 28th January** for the February edition, please.

The Friends of St Peter's - the active fundraisers for our Church!

Saturday 19th January at 7pm. The Annual New Year Party and Quiz

Don't forget to book early for our New Year Party and Quiz. Tickets are now available from Fran, Iris and Christine, price £10. The Hall will only seat 80, so hurry along so that you don't miss out. There will be the usual winter-warming curries and delicious desserts. Our Quiz master is Tony Gray, who will no doubt, once again test the gaps in our general knowledge.

The Annual General Meeting of the Friends is at 3 pm on 22nd January in the Peter Hall.



The New Year 2019

by Megan Carter

2018 has slipped away
And a New Year now comes into view,
What will it hold, no-one yet knows
What will it bring – good or bad news?

Whatever the way the wind will blow
Our craft is safe in the Master's hand,
Whether placid seas or sudden storms
The wind and the waves are at His command

Our lives like a voyage keep journeying on
With vistas new and vistas past,
The Lord in His mercy holding us tight
Steering us on to safe harbour at last.

Sunday 13th January at 6pm

**A service of
Lessons and Carols
for the Season of Epiphany**

Epiphany at St Peter's

The church choir has invited the
Exeter Cathedral Voluntary Choir
to join them for this service.

This will be a lovely occasion. Do come!

Do you ever go to London? More particularly do you ever plan to go and visit Westminster Abbey? Normally such an expedition could cost £22 a person to go round. BUT we have free, fast track passes to enables up to 5 people to get in for NOTHING, though there is £5 extra to pay if you want to visit the Queen's Gallery as well. This pass lasts until October 2019 so you need to return it when you have used it so that it is available for others to use after you.

Until March 16th, apply to the Rev Martin to get it and, thereafter, to Paul Maslen. Their numbers are on page 4.

SOME USEFUL LOCAL NUMBERS

 <p>PREMIER CAFÉ</p> <p><i>Traditional Fish and Chips and more.....</i></p> <p>01395 442962</p>	<p>Roger Pollard</p> <p>Plumbing and Heating Engineer</p> <p>01395 444049</p>	<p>Bright Garden Services</p> <p>Mowing & Edging, Hedges & Strimming, Decking, Gates & Fences, Garden Clearance</p> <p>David Bright 01395 225386, Mob 07790 022767</p>	<p>Sherwood's Tree Care</p> <p>Fully Insured Free Consultations Friendly & Efficient Tree Care</p> <p>Edward Clarke NCHARb 01395 444423 07961929 383</p>	<p>Palmers Funeralcare</p> <p>Here for you when you need us most</p> <p>Funeral Planning Pre-Paid Funeral Arrangements Memorial Masonry & Floral Tributes Available 24 hours</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>Budleigh Salterton 45 High Street EX9 6LE Tel: 01395 442252 also at Exmouth Tel: 01395 222333</p> </div>
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St PETER'S CALENDAR for January (including **East Budleigh** and **Otterton** Services)

Wed	2nd	Holy Communion BCP	9.30am		
Thurs	3rd	Silent Meditation	10.00am	Sun	20th
Fri	4th	Rendezvous Coffee Morning	10.00am		Holy Communion BCP
		Holy Communion	11.30am		Holy Communion
					Parish Eucharist
Sun	6th	Holy Communion BCP	8.00am		Holy Communion
		Parish Eucharist	10.00am		
		Holy Communion	9.30am	Wed	23rd
		Holy Communion	11.00am		Holy Communion BCP
Wed	9th	Holy Communion BCP	9.30am		Bible Study in the Lady Chapel
		Loaves & Fishes Lunch	12.30pm		Youth Group in The Peter Hall
		Bible Study in the Lady Chapel	2.30pm	Thurs	24th
Thurs	10th	Silent Meditation	6.15pm		Silent Meditation
Fri	11th	Rendezvous Coffee Morning	10.00am	Fri	25th
		Holy Communion for healing	11.30am		Rendezvous Coffee Morning
					Holy Communion
Sun	13th	Holy Communion BCP	8.00am	Sun	27th
		Holy Communion	9.30am		Holy Communion BCP
		Parish Eucharist	10.00am		Holy Communion
		Holy Communion	11.00am		Parish Eucharist
		James McAdam Retirement Party in	12 noon		Holy Communion
		The Peter Hall			Solos Lunch
		A Service of Lessons and Carols for	6.00pm	Wed	30th
		Epiphany			Holy Communion BCP
Wed	16th	Holy Communion BCP	9.30am		Youth Group in The Peter Hall
		Youth Group in The Peter Hall	3.30pm	Fri	1st
Thurs	17th	Silent Meditation	6.15pm	February	Holy Communion
Fri	18th	Rendezvous Coffee Morning	10.00am	Sun	3rd
		Holy Communion	10.00am		Holy Communion BCP
		Literary Festival Event -	2.30pm		Holy Communion
		Michael Portillo			Parish Eucharist
Sat	19th	Friends New Year Party and Quiz in	7.00pm		Holy Communion
		The Peter Hall - see page 3			

Long ago when men cursed and
beat the ground with sticks, it was
called witchcraft.
Today, it's called golf.

*Morning Prayer is said at **All Saints' East Budleigh** on **Tuesday mornings at 9.30am.**
Morning Prayer is said at **St Michael's Otterton** on **9.30 Thursdays.***

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