

# News Sheet

10th  
December  
2017

St Peter's Church,  
Woolton

'Growing in love  
for God, each  
other and the world'

## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

those who are ill at home or in hospital or in need of our prayers especially Robert Bancroft, David Corbluth, the Duff family, Georgia Edwards, Raymond Jones, Baz McKeown, Audrey Neile, Doreen Seddon, Ava Stokes and Linda & Eric Williams; also the family & friends of all who have recently died especially Vivienne Fletcher, Caroline Thompson and Marion Green.

*The prayer list on the back of the news sheet is updated usually on a monthly basis. If you want someone's name to be included on it speak to Sue Crooks.  
(You do need to check that the person does not mind.)*

## ROOTS AND SHOOTS

The two Roots and Shoots groups will be meeting again on 5 Wednesdays, Jan 10th to Feb 7th, when the topic will be God, Creation, Evil and Suffering. We aim in Roots and Shoots to explore informally key aspects of our faith, especially those on which we may be unsure how to respond to questions from our secular, agnostic and atheist friends. One group meets in the morning from 10.00 to 11.30, the other in the evening from 8.00 to 9.30. Numbers are limited but as of now we have one place available in each group. Please contact Ian McColl if you would like to join: gillandian@talktalk.net or 538 0902.

## CALLING ALL WORKING WITH OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

Toolkit—giving you the tools: Christian Children's & Youth Workers Training Day Sat 3rd Mar 2018 9 am till 1 pm at Hope Community Church L10. If you book before January there are great discounts so speak to Gill McColl if you're interested. [www.facebook.com/LiverpoolToolkit](http://www.facebook.com/LiverpoolToolkit)

## HELP NEEDED

It has become a tradition to serve mulled wine and mince pies after the 11 pm Christmas Eve Communion service. Sue Crooks would love some help setting up, serving and clearing away afterwards. Realistically it will mean you won't get home much before 1 am. Please speak to her if you are able to give her a hand. Thank you!

## CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

There are baskets at the back of church for you to put donations towards the cost of flowers for decorating the church this Christmas. We have a great team of flower arrangers, and they do a wonderful job at making the church look beautiful. Please consider making a donation.

**WELCOME!!** particularly if you are visiting the church for the first time. Each Sunday we aim to offer a very warm welcome. If you are new to St Peter's please make yourself known to one of our Welcome Team at the back of church. The Centenary Rooms are available for



parents with very young children (u3s) during the service if you need some 'time out' but feel free to come back into church at any time.

## PRAYER FOR THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT

Almighty God, purify our hearts and minds,  
that when your Son Jesus Christ comes again  
As judge and saviour  
we may be ready to receive him,  
who is our Lord and our God.

## SERVICES AT ST PETER'S

*Holy Communion each Thursday 10.45 am*  
Today  
8.00 am Holy Communion  
10.30 am Toy service & parade  
Wednesday 13th  
1.00 pm Funeral of Caroline Thompson  
Thursday 14th  
2.00 pm Funeral of Vivienne Fletcher  
Saturday 16th  
1.00 pm Wedding of Daniel Marsh & Catherine Rule

There is a bake sale today to help finance the youth and children weekend away at Min y Don. After the 10.30 service please buy some cake to go with your coffee.

## TOY SERVICE

We are donating toys to KIND again this year. For over 40 years Kind has been helping make a difference in the lives of thousands of disadvantaged children and families from across Liverpool and greater Merseyside. Please support this wonderful charity with your gifts!

## CHRISTINGLE MAKING

Help needed to make Christingles next Saturday (16th Dec) at 9.45am in the Centenary Rooms. Also if anyone wants to use the leftover Christingle oranges after the service on 17th for marmalade making, please let Andy know.

### LUNCH CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY

This Thursday after the communion service.  
Come along and join us and enjoy a visit  
from Bishop Martin children as well.

### RAINBOWS FUNDRAISER

St. Peter's Rainbows are holding a  
Christmas Bingo on Fri 15th Dec.  
Lots of fun and a great way for us to fund-  
raise for them.

If anyone would like to come along it's  
£3 for adults with their first game free;  
£2 for children with their first game free.

Doors open at 5 for a 5:30 start  
and we finish at 7 pm

ALL WELCOME

### LAWYERS' CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP CAROL SERVICE

Monday 18th December 6.00 pm  
at Liverpool Parish Church  
with performances by Formby Brass Band  
All welcome to join with us for an evening  
of carols, celebration and mince pies.  
More information from  
Ruth or Alistair Fletcher

### THE HUB AT CHRISTMAS

The Hub will be open as normal up to and  
including Thurs 21st Dec.

On Thurs 21st Dec everyone is warmly  
invited to come and sing carols and enjoy a  
drink and mince pie, following the  
communion service at church.

The Hub will be closed over Christmas and  
the New Year, reopening on Monday 8th  
Jan 2018. The office phone (428 6810)  
will be checked regularly while the Hub is  
not open.

### ADVANCE WARNING

#### VESTRY & THURSDAY COMMUNION

Over the Christmas period there will be no  
Vestry Hour on Wed 20th & 27th Dec.

The first Vestry Hour in 2018 will be on  
Wed 3rd Jan at 6.45pm.

On Thurs 28th Dec there will be no Thursday  
morning Communion service.

### LOOKING AHEAD TO JANUARY

Patrick Reason and his wife Iara will be  
visiting us over the weekend of January  
6/7th - more details will follow, but one of  
the exciting things to hear about is a visit by  
a group from St Peter's to Brazil and  
Encontro Com Deus in February 2019.

### BOOKSTALL - LAST CHANCE TO BUY!

All the Christmas stock needs to be returned  
to the bookshop in Southport next week, so  
come and have a look before it's too late.

## **CELEBRATING CHRISTMAS**

### **Celebrating in the community**

Wed 13th Dec at 7.15 pm

Carol singing at Meadow Court  
(Roger Whitaker)

Thurs 14th Dec 7 pm

Carol singing at Servite Court  
(John Moore)

Mon 18th Dec 3 pm

Carols at Woolton Manor  
(Jean Corbluth)

Tues 19th Dec 7 pm

Carols at Cobden Ct  
(Eric Winstanley)

Wed 20th Dec 4 pm onwards

Carols at Tesco, followed by Sainsburys,  
then Marie Curie Hospice (Andy Radford)

Friday 22nd Dec

Andy is organising a group to sing carols in  
some of the Woolton pubs. Speak to him to  
find out more.

*For more information on the events above  
please contact whoever's name is by the  
event. They are open to all.*

### **Celebrating in church**

Sunday 10th

8.00 am Holy Communion

10.30 am Toy service & parade

*Bring a new toy (unwrapped) for  
Kind.org.uk a charity working with  
disadvantaged children in Merseyside or  
for another local cause.*

Sunday 17th

8.00 am Holy Communion

10.30 am Carol service

*traditional service of carols & Bible readings*

3.00 pm Christingle service

Sunday 24th

8.00 am Holy Communion

10.30 am Crib service for all ages

*Come as a wise man or woman, camel,  
donkey, Joseph, Mary, shepherd, sheep,  
angel or just as you are!*

4.00 pm A Quiet Christmas

*short, low key service for those who find  
Christmas difficult*

11.00 pm Midnight Communion

*followed by mulled wine & mince pies*

Christmas Day

8.00 am Holy Communion

10.30 Family service

*followed by a shortened*

*Communion service*

### **Celebrating at home**

Please feel free to take a leaflet 'Advent  
Worship' to help you prepare for Christmas  
with activities for the four weeks of Advent.