

**NEWS SHEET for
3rd April 2022**
St Peter's Church, Woolton
**Growing in Love for God,
each other and the World**



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***Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances;
for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you
1 Thessalonians 5:16-18***

A WARM WELCOME TO EVERYONE!

A very warm welcome to today's services, particularly if you are visiting the church for the first time. If you are new to St Peter's please make yourself known to our Welcome Team at the back of church. Sadly we cannot offer tea and coffee after our service at the moment but hope we will be able to shortly after Easter.

Collect:

Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved the world: grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross we may triumph in the power of his victory; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

A Prayer for Ukraine from the Archbishops of Canterbury and York:

God of peace and justice, we pray for the people of Ukraine today. We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons. We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow, that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them. We pray for those with power over war or peace, for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions. Above all, we pray for your precious children, at risk and in fear, that you would hold and protect them. We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace. Amen.

SERVICES FOR APRIL

Holy Communion every Thursday @ 11am

3rd April	10th April	17th April	24th April
The 5th Sunday of Lent 8am Holy Communion 10.30am Morning Worship Holy Communion 1 Pet. 1:13-22 Mark 7:14-23 Children's Groups are active today	Palm Sunday 8am Holy Communion 10.30am Morning Worship Psalm 118:19-24 Luke 19:28-40 All-age Parade	Easter Day 8am Holy Communion 10.30am Morning Worship Holy Communion Acts 10:34-43 Luke 24:1-12 All-age service	The 2nd Sunday of Easter Baptism 8am Holy Communion 10.30am Morning Worship Acts 5:27-32 John 20:19-31

For your prayers:

Please pray for those who are sick: Gill McColl, Molly Kinsella, Archie Mckerrel, Ann Large, Andy Cheetham, Beryl Baldwin, Roger and Sue Whitaker, Carla Sherif, Gladys Shears, Eric Winstanley, Andrew Bedward, Gillian Saignes, Samantha Gibbons, Don Evans.

Please pray for the families and friends of: Margaret Mitchell, John Hewitt.

Holy Week:

In addition to our usual Sunday and Thursday services, we will also be holding the following services during Holy Week:

Maundy Thursday: Holy Communion - 7:30pm.

Good Friday: "Hot Cross Bun" service - 9am. (This is a service for families and will be held in our Church Hall).

A service of Readings and Hymns – 10:30am. (This will be a quiet reflective service).

An ecumenical service around the cross – 12 noon. (This will be held on Woolton Street).

Our church building will additionally be open for private prayer and reflection during Holy Week: 3-5pm Monday; 5-7pm Tuesday; 7-9pm Wednesday. We are hoping to have some original artwork or poetry displayed in our Centenary Rooms so that people who come into church will be helped as they reflect upon Jesus' death and resurrection. So, we are asking children and adults to produce some art or poetry focusing on Jesus' death and/or his resurrection. You can hand this in at church or at the Hub – please do this by Friday 8th April at the latest. There will be prizes in the under 7 age group and the 8–11-year-old age group, so please put your name and age on the back if you are in these age groups.

Confirmation Service 2022: Confirmations for the churches of South Liverpool Deanery will take place on Monday 20th June at 7.30pm in Liverpool Cathedral. The Rev. Julia Pratt would love to hear from any young people (Year 9 or above) or adults from St. Peter's who are considering Confirmation this year, that wonderful step of declaring publicly our Christian faith. There will be a requirement to attend Confirmation preparation evenings, which will help candidates to reflect further upon what we believe and upon their own Christian discipleship.

St Peter's Electoral Roll: We will be taking applications up until the 10th April: printed sheets and digital versions will be available throughout that period. You only need to apply if you are not on the Electoral Roll already.

Cleaning Rags for Ffestiniog Railway - The Railway is now gearing up for the new season, so if you are discarding any pure cotton items such as towels, sheets or clothing they would be greatly appreciated. Please speak to John Heywood in church, or call John on 0151 425 4383 and he will collect them from you.

Min y don - cake sale and prayer Lorraine would like to send out a big thank you to everyone who made cakes for the cake sale in church last Sunday 27th March. Special thanks to Iona, Jack, Liam, Ryan and Maggie who were our amazing team selling the cakes. We raised £212.93 towards the cost of the trip! Looking forward to the trip on 8.4.22 - any last questions please do send Lorraine an email. Please pray for this very important trip : for the leaders, the young people the activity centre staff, for a safe journey and for relationships with God and each other to grow.

Christian Aid Week, 15 to 21 May 2022 This year's Christian Aid theme is climate justice, and there will be lots of opportunities for us to make a difference to people in developing countries who are struggling to feed their families; the war in Ukraine has made the situation much worse. Here are some ways you can get involved this year:

1. You will be able to give money at church (cash or contactless) on May 8th, 15th, and 22nd. **Sunday 15th May will be a special Christian Aid service.**
2. For the fit among you, **the 300,000 steps challenge is back** - walk just under 10,000 steps a day in May; more details of how to sign up will follow!
3. There will be a Christian Aid stall at the **Farmers' Market on Saturday 14th May**. If you can volunteer for an hour that day (between 9am and 2pm), please contact Sarah Beresford on s.g.roberts44@gmail.com or 07941447029.
4. This year's **Christian Aid Quiz will be face to face on Friday 20th May at 7.30pm** in the church hall! There will be a raffle with some great prizes, including vouchers to spend in local eateries! More details to follow but for now, please note the date!
5. For the budding stars among you, St James Church in Woolton is hosting **Star for a Night on Saturday 21st May at 7pm**. It'd be great to support our St James friends in this by either performing or going along! More details to follow!

Christian Aid Week is not just about giving money; there are lots of ways you can act and pray to make a difference so watch out for more information!

Brown Owl - On 30th March, the Brown Owl of the 294th Liverpool Brownies, Cheryl Brayford, "hung up her toadstool" (Auntie P terminology for "retired"). Cheryl worked as Brown Owl for just over 16 years and she has given so much to so many girls of Woolton and beyond. The Brownies and Guides gave her a fitting send off and we join them in thanking Cheryl for all her dedicated hard work.

HUB SING-A-LONG - Wednesday 6th April @ 10.30am in The Hub Cost : £1 including a cuppa and cake

BRAZIL – ECD 2023 – For information on the Brazil Trip in 2023 please contact Sue Craig on susanraig14@virginmedia.com