

# Newsletter



## What's coming up?

### Signing Up to Groups

A reminder that if your child is attending a group at St Peter's Church you will need to ensure that you have completed our contact details and registration form so we can best care for your child and keep in touch with you. The link is: <https://forms.gle/9SBLAebcuWZVGTJ66>

Please note that parents are not able to stay in groups unless they are a safer recruited volunteer.



Discussion groups are running for the next 6 weeks covering our questions from the sermons each week. These are:

Mondays 8-9pm in the White Horse  
Tuesdays 9-10:30am in the hub  
Fridays 11-12:30pm in the hub  
Sundays after the services

Sundays 10:30am groups are on:  
11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> Jan  
1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> Feb

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> January, 7:30pm  
Fundraising meal at May's Thai  
Tickets available at the hub with Angela, £15 each with all money going to support Woolton Community Life and Open Doors

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> January, 4pm  
Worship Through Play

### Registration

If you have a child who may wish to attend a faith school (primary or secondary) you may need a church attendance form to support your school application form.

To enable us to do this in a fair and honest way for you we have a register system in church. To join the register you will need to add both parent's and children's names by contacting the parish office (parishadmin@stpeters-woolton.org.uk) and you will be added to the next register when it is printed.

In the meantime when you come to a service just head to the desk and ask them to handwrite your names on for that week.

When you are coming to a service please head to the right desk to sign in and please be respectful of those who are signing you in and the congregation if the service has started.

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## Sunday Groups at 10:30am

During our 10:30am services we often have groups running for children and young people with creche in the centenary rooms (under 3's), first steps (3-5) in the hub, smiley (years 1-3) in the hall, JAM (years 4-6) in Bishop Martin and Pathfinders (years 7+) in the hub.

A reminder that parents need to remain in church whilst groups are on (with the exception of Pathfinders) so if you take your child over to a group please come back into church afterwards.

Our groups are led by volunteers and we have a standard of behaviour that is expected from any children and young people who attend. If a child's behaviour impacts the running of the group or is dangerous to others, please be aware you may be called and asked to collect your child early or they may be asked to miss a week. If you need more information about what is expected please speak to your group leader.

Please note that when groups are on we don't have activities or provision for children in church during the quieter part of our service where we hear the Bible and sermon, so if your child prefers to stay in you might want to think about bringing resources to support them such as colouring or quiet toys.

## Children's and Youth Worker

We have had our second round of applicants for our children's and youth worker and shortlisting is happening this week.

Please do pray for those involved in this process and that we will be able to appoint somebody who can be a real blessing to our ministry at St Peter's.



## Baptism and Confirmation

This year we are encouraging our church community to think about their personal faith and what it means to them. For some people that means being ready to make a commitment in faith either through baptism or confirmation. We have the opportunity for adults and teenagers to be confirmed and/or baptised this year and are holding a meeting to find out more on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March after the 10:30am service.

Come along or speak to Lizzy if you are interested.

## Developing Faith at Home Ideas

We hope our groups and services for families and young people help you all to grow in faith and want to encourage that faith development to happen at home as well.

Have you got any ideas to share about how you do this that we could out in our next newsletter? We would love to hear it.

Over the next couple of months we are thinking about the basics of Christian faith and this is a great opportunity to explore some of these questions with your family.

Some ideas that can help you explore this are:

- Listen to the 'Honest Faith' podcast and spend some time chatting about it as a family
- Do a collage together to explore your faith. What images might you use to express what your faith means to you?
- Think about building a prayer pattern together. Try making a gratitude jar that you each add to each week and give thanks to God.

**Honest Faith Podcast**  
with Rev Lizzy Holland

Our church podcast is back and every week for the next 7 weeks there's an episode covering the basics of faith. 30 minutes each week to inspire and encourage you. Listen and share!

