

Festival of Light: volunteers wanted!

The Berkhamsted Festival of Light on **Sunday 22 November** is a wonderful opportunity for St Peter's to reach out to the wider community. **Will you help us this year?** If you've never helped before, please join in this year. Young people are especially welcome! **Please sign up as a volunteer using the form at the back of church.**

Christmas Hamper!

Carolynne is organising another hamper for our Christmas raffle, in aid of the St Peter's Renovation Appeal (fix the leaking roof!). Please donate quality food items to make this a wonderful prize to attract ticket sales - no perishables please, but as before we are looking for posh biscuits, posh wine, posh crisps, posh sweeties - you get the idea...

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Changing the locks

The Church and Court House locks are soon to be changed, with a planned date for the change on Thursday 19th November. Full details are in this week's Parish News email. If you need new keys, please submit a request to the Parish Office by 9th November, giving reasons why you need access. Forms are available at the back of church and online.



Berkhamsted community news & events

Next Saturday 7 November: Fleetwood Mac in St Peter's by candlelight

The *Rumours* are true...! Experience the hits of Fleetwood Mac as you've never heard them before, played by a string trio! Enjoy an enchanting evening of classical rock by candlelight in St Peter's. We wouldn't tell you *Sweet Little Lies* - it's such a popular concert that there will now be three performances at 5pm, 7pm and 9pm. Don't Go Your Own Way - book now! Tickets £20-£45 - booking links on our website:

🖥 www.stpetersberkhamsted.org.uk/concerts

Saturday 7 November at 7:00 pm: Berkhamsted Rotary Fireworks

A fabulous pyrotechnic display at the Cricket Club, with food and drink on sale. Get discounted advance tickets at the Rotary market stall and on their website:

🖥 www.berkorotary.org

Sunday 8 November at 2pm: Berkhamsted in Bloom bulb planting on the Moor

An afternoon of free family fun 2pm-3pm on the Moor (end of Castle Street, by the canal). Come and help to plant 2000 bulbs, which will bloom in spring 27.

Thursday 12 November at 6:30 pm: Talk: The Battle of Rorke's Drift

South African historian Douglas Rattray explores the events of the Anglo-Zulu War at Ashridge House. In support of the Save Castle Fields appeal.

🖥 www.berkhamstedcastle.org.uk/events



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The Parish Church of
St Peter Great Berkhamsted

All Saints

St Peter's Berkhamsted welcomes you

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**Today's services: 8:00am Eucharist
9:30am Sung Eucharist
6:00pm All Souls Requiem Mass**

Music this week

Hymns: 197 For all the saints who from their labours rest
450 Soldiers, who are Christ's below
231 Who are these like stars appearing

Anthem: Give us the wings of faith - Ernest Bullock

Voluntary: Carillon on 'Orientis Partibus' - Arthur Wills

At All Souls Requiem Mass: Requiem - Gabriel Fauré

Voluntary: Alle Menschen müssen sterben BWV 643 - JS Bach

First reading: Revelation 7.9-end

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, 'Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!' And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, singing, 'Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.' Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, 'Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?' I said to him, 'Sir, you are the one that knows.' Then he said to me, 'These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.'

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

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Psalm 24

(vv 1-6)

Everyone is invited to join in singing the response:



1 The earth is the Lord's and all that fills it,
the compass of the world and all who dwell
therein.

2 For he has founded it upon the seas
and set it firm upon the rivers of the deep.

Response

3 'Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord,
or who can rise up in his holy place?'

4 'Those who have clean hands and a pure
heart, who have not lifted up their soul to an
idol, nor sworn an oath to a lie;

Response

5 'They shall receive a blessing from the Lord,
a just reward from the God of their salvation.'
6 Such is the company of those who seek him,
of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob.

Response

The Gospel: Matthew 5.1-12

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The Lord be with you Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

And also with you Glory to you, O Lord

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying: 'Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. 'Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. 'Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. 'Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. 'Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. 'Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. 'Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. 'Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. 'Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ

Intercessions

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Anglican Church in Central America

Diocese

✠✠Sarah, Archbishop of Canterbury, ✠ Andrew, Bishop of St Albans, ✠ Jane, Bishop of Hertford, and Charles, Archdeacon of St Albans

In our continuing prayers

Mary Beard, Christina Billington, Barbara Fisher, Stacy Giles, Yvonne Hart, Judith Hill, Barbara McKenna, Ghulam Mutaheri, Frozan Mutaheri, Ken Organ, Gwen Roberts, Neeta Thomson, Clare Wallington, Liz Wright

In our immediate prayers

Doug Billington, Patricia Cody, Graeme Davis, Mark Few, Peter Kirk, Peter Rolfe, Charlotte Szypryt, Sienna Vallance

Wedding banns called this Sunday

Matt Pacey & Lydia Criswick

RIP

Rupert Preston-Bell, Sarah Markwort

Memorial (year's mind)

Maggie Hatley, Geoff Dell

✠ Funeral notices

Wednesday 5 November 12pm: Funeral of Susan (Sarah) Markwort

Tonight at 6:00 pm: All Souls Requiem Mass

If you are mourning a loved one, whether someone who has died recently or many years ago, you are welcome at this service for remembering "those whom we love but see no longer". The choir will sing Fauré's Requiem. During the service you can light a candle in memory of someone you have lost, and we read out the names of the departed. There is list at the back of church for any last-minute additions to the list.

 www.stpetersberkhamsted.org.uk/allsouls



Church notices

Remembrance

All are invited to join us at these special ceremonies to remember those who lost their lives in war and to pray for peace in our world:

Remembrance Sunday 7 November

9:30am Sung Eucharist in St Peter's Church
10:45am Act of Remembrance at Rectory Lane Cemetery War Memorial
2:30pm Royal British Legion High Street parade to the Town War Memorial
3:00pm Remembrance Service in St Peter's Church

Armistice Day - Tuesday 11 November

10:55am Act of Remembrance at the Town War Memorial
with 1 minute's silence at 11am

 www.stpetersberkhamsted.org.uk/remembrance

Saturday 14 November at 7:00 pm: Casserole evening

Heart-warming good food and good company in the Court House. £15 per head, bring a bottle, all proceeds go to the St Peter's Renovation Appeal (roof fund). Please let Carolynne know if you're coming, and also if you can provide a casserole
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Sunday 7 February: Confirmations 2027

Bishop Jane will be with us for a confirmation service. If you would like to be prepared for confirmation, please complete the form at the back of church and hand it to Fr Stuart. If you are not sure whether or not you would like to be confirmed at this time but would like to know more, please contact Fr Stuart for a conversation.

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Little Fishes Parent & Toddler Group

The current leaders are retiring in December, after many years. One new volunteer has come forward, but a second person is needed if Little Fishes is to continue. Please make contact if you are interested or know of someone who is:

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