

Thursday 22 October at 7:30 pm: 1,000 Years of Berkhamsted History

Berkhamsted Citizens invite you to their next speaker event: local historian Peter Morgan, will take us on a stroll through our local history. The Clock Room, Berkhamsted Town Hall, BCA members free, £5 non-members, or join the BCA for just £10/year

berkhamstedcitizens.org.uk/1000-years-of-berkhamsted-history

Saturday 31 October at 7:00 pm: The Berkhamsted Ball

The last few tickets are left for Berkhamsted Castle Trust's black-tie fundraising ball! Three-course dinner, live music and dancing and a charity auction hosted by *Antiques Roadshow* experts John Bly and Eric Knowles. Auction lots will include holiday home stays, a painting of your house by Mary Casserley, a private plane flight, a fly fishing experience day, and a personalised visit to the Victoria & Albert Museum with John Bly. All proceeds will go towards the Castle Fields Appeal. **Tickets £75 each** and include a welcome drink. Nash Hall, Berkhamsted Girls' School, Kings Road

buytickets.at/berkocastle

Sunday 1 November: BerkoFest Book Festival in Berkhamsted Town Hall

Tickets are still available - discussions, readings, Q&A sessions and book signings, hosted by Robin Ince and Nigel Barden, with appearances by Alexei Sayle, Lucia Osbourne-Crowley, Athena Kugblenu, Ellen Jones, Caroline Litman and Ben Jennings.

tickets.matterpay.com/s/berkofest

Sunday 8 November at 2:00 pm: Bulb planting on the Moor

Berkhamsted in Bloom are holding 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. There will also be a children's I-spy trail!

Open mornings for prospective families

Looking for a Reception or Nursery place for your child to start September 2027 in the local area? Victoria School are holding open mornings for prospective families to have a tour of the school:



Friday 23 October at 9.15am

Thursday 3 December at 9.15am

Friday 6 November at 9.15am

Thursday 7 January at 9.15am

Friday 19 March 1.45pm-2.30pm - Nursery Stay and Play

There are also spaces in Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 to start immediately.

www.victoria.herts.sch.uk

As the winter begins and energy bills soar, many people are forced to turn to food banks just to feed themselves and their families. **Please make donations to Berkhamsted Food Hub's pantry table in St Peter's.** You can leave cans/jars/packages of non-perishable food on the table. Toiletries/shampoo/ shower gel are also especially welcome.



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The Parish Church of
St Peter Great Berkhamsted

20th Sunday after Trinity

SUNDAY

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St Peter's Berkhamsted welcomes you

Today's services: 8:00am Eucharist

9:30am Sung Eucharist

Music this week

Hymns: 364 God is Love: let heaven adore him (t.408)

146 Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

613 Christ triumphant, ever reigning NEP

Anthem: O Lord, increase our faith - John Loosemore

Voluntary: Prelude & Fugue in c, BWV 537 - J.S. Bach

First reading: Isaiah 45.1-7

Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have grasped to subdue nations before him and strip kings of their robes, to open doors before him— and the gates shall not be closed: I will go before you and level the mountains, I will break in pieces the doors of bronze and cut through the bars of iron, I will give you the treasures of darkness and riches hidden in secret places, so that you may know that it is I, the Lord, the God of Israel, who call you by your name. For the sake of my servant Jacob, and Israel my chosen, I call you by your name, I surname you, though you do not know me. I am the Lord, and there is no other; besides me there is no god. I arm you, though you do not know me, so that they may know, from the rising of the sun and from the west, that there is no one besides me; I am the Lord, and there is no other. I form light and create darkness, I make weal and create woe; I the Lord do all these things.

Sunday 1 November: All Souls

At 6pm we will gather to remember "those whom we love but see no longer". During the service there's an opportunity to light a candle in memory of someone you have lost, and we read out the names of the departed. If you plan to come to this service and you'd like to include the name of a loved one, please add them to the list at the back of church.

Loop system

We're having technical problems with the sound system, and unfortunately the hearing aid loop system is not working this morning. We do apologise for any difficulties this may cause – we hope to get this fixed as soon as possible.



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Psalm 99

(vv. 1-9)

Everyone is invited to join in singing the response:



1 The Lord is king: let the peoples tremble;
he is enthroned above the cherubim: let the
earth shake.

2 The Lord is great in Zion
and high above all peoples.

3 Let them praise your name, which is great
and awesome; the Lord our God is holy.

Response

4 Mighty king, who loves justice,
you have established equity; you have
executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.

5 Exalt the Lord our God; bow down before
his footstool, for he is holy.

Response

6 Moses and Aaron among his priests
and Samuel among those who call upon his
name; they called upon the Lord and he
answered them.

7 He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud;
they kept his testimonies and the law that he
gave them.

Response

8 You answered them, O Lord our God;
you were a God who forgave them
and pardoned them for their offences.

9 Exalt the Lord our God and worship him
upon his holy hill, for the Lord our God is
holy.

Response

The Gospel: Matthew 22.15-22

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

Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap him in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, 'Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?' But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, 'Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax.' And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, 'Whose head is this, and whose title?' They answered, 'The emperor's.' Then he said to them, 'Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's.' When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

This is the Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, O Christ



What's on at St Peter's

Check our online calendar for events coming up in the church
and in the Court House:

www.stpetersberkhamsted.org.uk/events



After this morning's service, do please join us for coffee in the Court House
just opposite the church. Everyone is very welcome.

Intercessions

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Anglican Church of Canada

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 Mutaheer, Frozan Mutaheer,
Ken Organ, Gwen Roberts, Neata 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

Memorial (year's mind) Bryan Wright, Audrey Rothwell, Ian Swooner, Ron Fisher

Church notices

Saturday 14 November at 10:00 am: Casserole evening in the Court House

Join us for another evening of heart-warming good food and good company. £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, for numbers. **Can you provide a casserole?** Please
contact Carolynne and let her know what you plan to cook - beef, chicken, pork, vegetarian,
traditional English, something French, Irish stew.... what's your speciality?

✉ charman164@btinternet.com ☎ 07503 156 751

Concorde talk raises £4000

The enthralling talk by retired Concorde pilot Captain John Tye on 3 October raised over
£4000 for the St Peter's Renovation Appeal (roof fund)! Huge thanks are due to Cathy and
Ian Imber for organising this event, and to the staff of Berkhamsted School for their support.

Sunday 7 February: Confirmations 2027

Bishop Jane will be with us to confirm those who have been prepared on Sunday 7th
February next year at our 9.30am Parish Eucharist. If you would like to be prepared for
confirmation, please complete this form and return 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.

Fr Stuart Owen ✉ fr.stuart@gmail.com ☎ 01442 879 739

Berkhamsted community news & events

Concerts at St Peter's

- **TODAY at 4:00 pm: Alexander Ardakov piano recital**
Virtuoso pianist Alexander Ardakov plays Brahms, Debussy and Schumann. £15 on
the door, under-18s free.
- **Saturday 7 November: Fleetwood Mac by candlelight**
The hits of Fleetwood Mac played by a string trio!
Tickets £20-£45, two sittings at 5pm and 7pm.

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