

**ST PETER'S CHURCH AND JUNCTION
BOUGHTON MONCHELSEA**

NOTICE SHEET – Sunday 14 January 2018

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A warm welcome to everyone, especially if you are a guest or here for the first time. Our Vicar is the Rev Phil Goodey, our Assistant Minister is Rev Yvonne Salmon and Curate is Rev Dr Steven Sivyer. Our readers are Dr David Parry and Emma Sivyer and our Churchwarden is David Bissell.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

All those in need of God's healing power in their lives including Anni Blake and Shirley Lowry

and for God's comfort for all who are mourning the loss of loved ones including the families of Douglas Brett, John Goode and Ruby Thomsett

Sunday	14 January – Epiphany 2
8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)
10.15am	Morning Worship Readings: 1 Sam 3: 1-10, Rev 5: 1-10 and John 1: 43-51
11.00am	Junction at the Village Hall with Bishop Trevor
Monday	15 January
10.00am	Baby and Toddler Group in the Church
Wednesday	17 January
7.30pm	Bell ringing practice – contact Tony 744931
7.30pm	Folk Club at the Stile Bridge
Thursday	18 January
7.30pm	PCC meeting in the Vestry
7.30pm	Music Group practice at Lizzy's 28 Georgian Drive
Sunday	21 January – Epiphany 3
10.15am	Morning Worship Readings: Genesis 14: 17-20, Revelation 19: 6-10 and John 1: 43-51
11.00am	Junction at the Village Hall

For any church business, notices, Baptisms, Weddings etc contact the Church Office on the number above.

John Philips' Poemathon If you have sponsored John Philips please can you hand your money to me as soon as possible so I can pass it on to him, or put it through his letterbox at 9 Lewis Court Drive, thank you – Lizzy.

Chilly in Church? We all know it can sometimes be chilly on a Sunday morning but you don't need to be uncomfortable as we now have a box of blankets at the back of the church, in the pew just in front of the sound desk. Please help yourself to one if you would like to, and return it after the service, or ask Lizzy, Sandra or a Sidesperson to help.

Tidy Up We will soon be having a tidy up at the back of the Church, especially round the sound desk area so if anything there is yours, please can you remove it as soon as possible, or speak to Phil or Lizzy if it is something that needs to remain. Otherwise, unclaimed items are likely to be thrown away. Thank you.

Ashburnham Weekend Away If you are going on the Ashburnham weekend please can you let Lizzy, Alan or Steven have your balance of payment, if possible by Thursday 18th January or as soon thereafter as possible. Thank you.

Can You Help?

Maidstone Churches Winter Shelter I am heading up the kitchen at the Wednesday Maidstone Churches Winter Shelter. Each week we will supply and serve a pre cooked hot meal and dessert to the shelter for the guests and volunteers to share together.

If you feel you could help me to provide some of the food any week from now until the end of March please email or call and we can chat about what you feel you could provide and when.

The need each week is:

A hot meat course for 20 (a one pot is ideal i.e. Chicken casserole)

A hot vegetarian meal for approx 5

Desserts for up to 25

Snacks and sweets are always welcome!

Please don't be put off by the high quantities, anything you can offer would be helpful and we could perhaps team up to supply the larger quantities. I can supply large pots and collect the food to take to the shelter.

You can email me on k8ee@hotmail.co.uk or call on 01622 741285 (please leave a message!)

Happy New Year to all and thank you! Katy Abson

Advanced Notices

Tour of the Bible The next Tour of the Bible evening session looking at “The Psalms and Wisdom Literature” will be on Monday 5 February at 7.30pm in the Village Hall Committee Room. **Please bring your own Bible with you.** Contact Steven steven@sivyer.org.uk or 831189 for more information.

Open Doors/Syria Charity Event There will be a 60s and 70s Disco evening at the Village Hall at 7.30pm on Saturday 27 January 2018. Tickets include a buffet meal and are £7.50 in advance or £10 on the door from Anne Dawes email: annedawes83@hotmail.co.uk or text 07790 857990. This promises to be a fun-packed evening with a raffle, buffet, bar, cakes and an auction. Smart or fancy dress with a 60s/70s theme.

Please get involved if you can by making a promise for the auction or donating auction or raffle prizes; or perhaps you know someone or an organisation who may be able to donate a prize? Or, you can help by donating to the buffet, a list of dishes needed is on the clipboard at the back of the church. If you are unable to come on the night you may like to make a donation which can be passed to Alan or Lizzy at St Peter’s, or Anne Dawes at Junction. Please make cheques payable to “Boughton Monchelsea PCC” and mark on the back that it is for Open Doors. All profits go to Open Doors with the aim of rebuilding/repairing a house for a Syrian family. Thank you.

For more information on Open Doors, visit their website on ; www.opendoorsuk.org

Fourth Sunday Evensong Services There is no Evensong service on the fourth Sunday in January or February: the next 4pm service will be Compline on Palm Sunday, 25 March.

Thank You

A Message from Bill I expect to shortly have my last follow-up hospital check, after two rather traumatic years of brilliant surgery and care by our N.H.S. I would now like to thank the congregation and all our friends for the prayers, good wishes, cards, and other kindnesses to Moira and myself during this time. We have been very grateful. If anyone needs the loan of a wheelchair or a wheeled walking frame, please get in touch! Bill Robinson - 744339.

Homeless Care Maidstone Homeless Care have sent us a letter of thanks for all the donations given to them over Christmas as part of their “You can help” appeal. If you would like to read it it is on the notice board at the back of the church.

Website Please let Danny Watson danny@junctionmaidstone.co.uk have information to be included on our St Peter’s Church website

