

Our regular services on Sundays are:

8am Holy Communion  
9.30am Morning Praise  
11am Holy Communion  
6.30pm Evening Service, which changes  
with each week in the month:

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday: Choral Evensong

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday: No service

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday: No service

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday: No service

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday: No service

Please check the porch for timely details.

We also have:

Mondays 9.30 – 10am Prayer

Wednesdays at 10am: Holy Communion

Morning Prayer is at 8am - Monday to Friday

Evening Prayer: 5pm - Monday to Thursday

There are no services on secular Bank

Holidays.

#### Contact details

#### Telephone

##### **Assistant Priests:**

Rev. John Pantry 01206 386910

Rev. Terry Walker 383640

##### **Churchwardens:**

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##### **Treasurer:**

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##### **Families Worker:**

Heather King 07967 017733

##### **Parish Evangelist:**

Stephen Rice 385586

##### **Pastoral team**

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##### **Parish Secretary :**

Lucy Hurst 383222

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#### Office hours:

Mondays: 13:30-15:30

Tuesdays: 12:30-14:30

Wednesdays: 12:30-14:30

5<sup>th</sup> January 2020



***St Peter and St Paul's Church exists:  
To celebrate God in worship, to love one another  
and to serve the wider community***

#### Welcome to our services today.

We hope that you will find warmth and friendship in this place and God's blessing and peace as we worship.

At our communion services, everyone is invited to come forward and receive bread and wine or a blessing (please bring your service sheet or this pew sheet with you if you'd like a blessing). If you need a gluten free wafer, please tell the Welcomer before the service.

There is a space for young children to draw or read at the back of the Church. In term time during the 9.30am service, all children are welcome to join Junior Church which meets in the Church Hall.

Tea and Coffee are served after the 9.30am service in the Church Hall. Please join in this post-service fellowship and take the opportunity to make some new friends.

#### EPIPHANY

Heavenly Father,  
at the Jordan you revealed  
Jesus as your Son:  
may we recognize him as our Lord  
and know ourselves to be  
your beloved children;  
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.  
AMEN

#### Our Readings

##### Epiphany

**Isaiah 60.1-6**

**Ephesians 3.1-12**

**Matthew 2.1-12**

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## **NOTICES**

### **Forthcoming dates for your diary:**

#### **JANUARY**

**5<sup>th</sup>** - Choral Evensong for Epiphany – 18:30

**12<sup>th</sup>** - Holy Communion – 08:00

Morning Praise – 09:30

Holy Communion – 11:00

**19<sup>th</sup>** - Holy Communion – 08:00

Morning Praise – 09:30

Holy Communion – 11:00

**26<sup>th</sup>** - Holy Communion – 08:00

Morning Praise – 09:30

Holy Communion – 11:00

#### **PEW SHEET NOTICES**

If you would like a notice added to the pew sheet for the following Sunday's services, please email your request to the church office by Wednesday morning.

[admin@freshsalt.uk](mailto:admin@freshsalt.uk)

#### **BEACON HOUSE REQUEST**

Thank you for all of the kind donations already received, we've had an overwhelming response and Beacon House are so grateful. Please keep it coming especially an urgent need for both male and female trainers.

#### **CHRISTIAN MEDITATION GROUP**

**Each Thursday – 19:00**

Terry Walker has started a Christian Meditation Group, part of World Community for Christian Meditation (WCCM)

St Peter & Paul Church Hall 7pm -8pm

For more information, Terry Walker 07375305460

#### **THANK YOU!**

Val and Alan would like to thank everyone who has contributed in any way to our Church life in the last year. You have all helped enormously in so many ways and we hope you will be blessed and encouraged in this new year as we search for our new rector.

#### **PORCH PANTRY**

Thank you so much for your donations. To help keep the Porch Pantry going, please consider donating via [www.justgiving.com/campaign/merseaislandporchpantry](http://www.justgiving.com/campaign/merseaislandporchpantry)

#### **OFFERTORY ENVELOPES FOR 2020**

Boxes of envelopes for 2020 are now available at the entrance to the Church.

**Please note:** Named boxes may now have a changed identity number.

This is due to the number of people having now switched to the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS), the Church have been able to halve the number of boxes ordered.

Many Thanks to everyone for your faithful giving. If you are able to make regular donations for the future, please do consider making them via PGS (*forms available in the Church*) as it does significantly reduce administration costs.

For more information, see Churchwarden or Alan Hammond 383383 [alan@3stablemews.co.uk](mailto:alan@3stablemews.co.uk)

#### **FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK**

##### **PRAYER FOR A NEW RECTOR**

Bountiful God, give to this parish a faithful pastor who will faithfully speak your word and minister your sacraments; an encourager who will equip your people for ministry and enable us to fulfil our calling.

Give to those who will choose, wisdom, discernment and patience, and to us give warm and generous hearts, for Jesus Christ's sake.

AMEN

#### **NEXT WEEK'S READINGS**

##### **Epiphany 1**

**Isaiah 42.1-9**

**Acts 10.34-43**

**Matthew 3.13-end**