

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:

1st Sunday: Choral Evensong

2nd Sunday: No service

3rd Sunday: No service

4th Sunday: No service

5th 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.

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Mondays: 13:30-15:30

Tuesdays: 12:30-14:30

Wednesdays: 12:30-14:30

12th 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 1 **BAPTISM OF CHRIST**

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 1
Isaiah 42.1-9
Acts 10.34-43
Matthew 3.13-end

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NOTICES

Forthcoming dates for your diary:

JANUARY

15th – PCC Meeting – 19:30

19th - Holy Communion – 08:00

Morning Praise – 09:30

Holy Communion – 11:00

26th - Holy Communion – 08:00

Morning Praise – 09:30

Holy Communion – 11:00

FEBRUARY

1st – CITM Prayer Breakfast – 08:15

2nd - Holy Communion – 08:00

Parish Breakfast – 08:45

Morning Praise – 09:30

Holy Communion – 11:00

Choral Evensong – 18:30

CTIM PRAYER BREAKFAST

The CTIM monthly Prayer breakfasts will be held on the first Saturday of each month at 08:15 at the Community Support Hall, Melrose Rd.

All welcome to come!

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

APCM REPORTS

If you are responsible for writing a report for the APCM, could you please send it to the office admin@freshsalt.uk by 9th February.

MISSION TO SEAFARERS

During December, a total of 30 woolly hats were delivered to the Seafarers Centre at Felixstowe Dock in time for Christmas. They were gratefully received.

Please keep knitting – we aim to deliver the next cargo shortly before Easter.

John Talbot – MtS Parish Rep

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 and pray that 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

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES FOR 2020

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

LENT COURSES

2020 Seemed a good year for CTIM to try a different format for Lent. Instead of daytime courses, which were poorly supported in 2019, there will be a church service (normally 10am, Wednesdays) in one of the local Churches led and hosted by that Church, with tea/coffee afterwards, giving people time to intermingle and chat.

This will commence on Ash Wednesday 26th February at St Edmunds Church, East Mersea.

In addition there will be two evening Lent courses for people unable to join morning Lent worship.

Further information in the next few weeks!

Lesley Talbot – on behalf of CTIM

FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

PRAYER FOR A NEW RECTOR

Most merciful Father, you have called us to your service in the fellowship of the Gospel : We especially pray that, during this vacancy you will bless and prosper your work in this parish. Unite us one with another in brotherly and sisterly love; teach us to worship you in spirit and in truth; use our endeavours to extend your kingdom in the hearts and homes of our people, and so visit us with your salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.AMEN

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Epiphany 2

Isaiah 49.1-7

1 Corinthians 1.1-9

John 1.29-42