

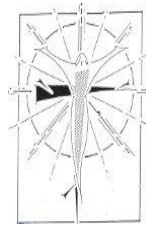
THIS WEEK – SUNDAY 29TH DECEMBER
THE FIRST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

ST PETER	08.00	HOLY COMMUNION Canon Andrew Gough
	10.00	SUNG EUCHARIST Canon Andrew Gough Sides: John Slade, Marion Trimby Readers: Chris Mayne, John Slade Intercessor: Mike Emsley Hymns: 73, 76, 67, 69, 57
	16:00	NO CHORAL EVENSONG
ST AUGUSTIN	10.00	HOLY COMMUNION The Rev'd Dr Chris Steed Readers: Julie Gavin, Gillian Clearie Intercessor: Barbara Sparling Hymns: MP: 35, 342, 589, 451, 644
ST STEPHEN	10.45	SOLEMN MASS The Rev'd Dr Rob Sawdy Readers: Kani Trehorn, Roger Anderson Hymns: 25, 22, 28, 42

NO WEEKDAY SERVICES THIS WEEK

NEXT WEEK – SUNDAY 5TH JANUARY
THE EPIPHANY

ST PETER	08.00	COMMUNION Canon Nick Jepson Biddle
	10.00	SUNG EUCHARIST Preside: Canon Nick Jepson Biddle Preach: The Ven Jean Burgess Archdeacon of Bournemouth Sides: Tim & Ruth Moorhouse Readers: Helen Ryder, Jane MacDonald Intercessor: Don Gobbett
	16:00	CHORAL EVENSONG Canon Nick Jepson Biddle Sides: Tim & Ruth Moorhouse
ST AUGUSTIN	10.00	HOLY COMMUNION The Rev'd Steve Parselle Readers: Janet Lawrence, Barbara Sparling Intercessor: Barbara Sparling
ST STEPHEN	10.45	SOLEMN MASS The Rev'd Dr Rob Sawdy Readers: Paul Coote, Diana Shiner



**BOURNEMOUTH
TOWN CENTRE PARISH
PEW NEWS**

St Peter

St Augustin - St Stephen

Sunday 29th December

The First Sunday of Christmas



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DON'T FORGET...

All notices for next week's newsletter to be sent to the Parish Office by Wednesday.

Thank you!

IF YOU WISH TO BE ADDED TO THE WEEKLY PEW NEWS MAILING LIST PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE. IT'S A GREAT WAY OF KEEPING IN TOUCH WITH WHAT'S GOING ON IN THE PARISH

WELCOME

Welcome to our parish of St Peter's, St Stephen's & St Augustin's. Please make yourself known to one of our Sides People or Duty Warden and we hope you will feel at home with us. All welcome. Please stay on for a cup of tea and a chat after the service! Colouring packs, toys and books for the children are available in the play area at the back of St Peter's. Help yourself but please leave the area tidy again before you leave.

ST STEPHEN'S WEEKDAY WEDNESDAY LOW MASS SERVICE

Whilst the necessary repairs are done on the stonework of various windows around the building, the weekday Wednesday Low Mass service will take place in the Keble Chapel in St Peter's Church to maintain the pattern of worship. Parry's Café will be open, and Chris warmly invites you all to join him and the team for a coffee and some cake after mass. All welcome.

FOODBANK DONATIONS

This week, the Foodbank are in need of the following items, with stock at a critically low level. Please donate: Single serve packs of cereal (such as Weetabix, instant oat pots/packets, Kellogg's variety packs); Instant pots and packet (such as noodles and rice); Tinned ravioli/other meat (with ring pulls); Tinned sweetcorn and carrots (with ring pulls); Coffee; Hot Chocolate; Chocolate & Sweet Treats; Festive non-perishable food items in packets and tins. For toiletries, we are especially short of shower gel, shampoo/conditioner, shaving gel/foam, disposable razors, deodorant, soap bars, toothpaste & brushes. Washing up liquid & strong carrier bags are always gratefully received too!

PARKING PERMITS FOR 2025!

The 2025 parking permits are now ready for collection from the usual places! These must be displayed in your windscreen/on your dashboard at all times when parked in the grounds from 1st January 2025, without exception. If you don't, it will result in a hefty fine being issued, which cannot be sorted out by the Parish Office, **so please do not ask!** At the end of January, any uncollected permits will be destroyed and your name removed from the list, as we will assume you no longer require one. Remember that your permits can only be used when attending the church for a service or when working at the church, and not for leisure purposes please. All spaces are rented out to paying business parkers, so their needs must be respected during the working week given they bring in vital income for our parish. If you have any changes to your vehicle, let the office know. Thank you!

YELLOW BUCKETS

As part of our mission, we have signed up to a new scheme, run by Faithworks and their Half Time project, which aims to get people who are on the streets, off them permanently and also to stop it happening in the first place, both of which are huge problems in our parish. There are two initiatives that they are running:

1. 'Welcome Rucksacks' 2. 'Half-time Essentials'

Donations of brand new, basic supplies, from diaries, puzzle books, pens, plastic cutlery sets, travel toiletries and toiletry bags, to underwear, brightly coloured bath towels, razors, sanitary items and hairbrushes. More comprehensive details are on the flyers and posters up in church and the Yellow Buckets will be out alongside the Foodbank boxes each Sunday. Thanks!

YOUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR: Carol Fidler, Eileen & David Ker, Elizabeth Brochet, Joan Schiera, Johanna Natasja Dennis, June Deedman, Keith Sturgess, Malcolm Warwick, Mary Durham, Michael Hill, Paul Higgs, Roger Marley, Rosemary Larkin, Rosemary Simmonds, Ruth Beasant, Thelma Lockwood, Tony Caruana, Val Spence

REGULAR FEATURES IN BTCP

PRAYER GROUP – Next meeting on 9th December at 7:30 pm in the Keble Chapel. All are welcome. Please contact Tim Moorhouse (07733 536626) for further details.

TUESDAY GARDENING GROUP – St. Peter's Church Grounds. Usually takes place from 9.30am-noon every week, unless the weather prevents it! Tools are provided or bring your own. Just don't forget to dress for the weather of the day and bring your gardening gloves! Refreshments and camaraderie supplied!

TUESDAY CLUB (Card & Board Games) – Takes place every Tuesday, 2pm, in the South Vestry, St. Augustin's Church. All welcome. Just come along and join in or contact Julie Gavin on 01202 556759.

PARRY'S CAFÉ – OPEN from 10.30am – 2pm every Wednesday and the last Friday of the month (& some occasions in between!) inside St Peter's Church, from the last Friday in January to the end of December. A range of hot and cold drinks, cakes, snacks and light lunches served daily. All welcome to pop in and enjoy!

WEDNESDAY LUNCHTIME RECITALS – Takes place every Wednesday, 12.45pm, St Peter's Church from February to mid-December. Entry is FREE and Parry's Café is open for a light lunch, snacks, hot & cold drinks, cakes and much more!

ST AUGUSTIN'S MONTHLY COFFEE MORNING – First Thursday of the month, from 10am-11am, in the church annexe. For more information, contact Roger/Jackie Uren on 01202 778935, or Lisa in the Parish Office: btcp@live.co.uk

ST PETER'S RINGERS – Practice night Thursday evenings from 7.30pm-9.00pm and regular ringing and social events with other Bournemouth towers. Existing ringers and new learners very welcome, full training available. Please contact our Tower Captain, Peter Murdock-Saint at: stpetersringers@gmail.com

FRIDAY LUNCHTIME JAZZ – Takes place on the last Friday each month, 1-2pm, St Peter's Church. Entry is FREE and Parry's Café is open for a light lunch, snacks, hot & cold drinks, cakes and much more. Sometimes on other Fridays of the month too! So watch out for additional dates!

ST STEPHEN'S ORGAN RECITAL SERIES – From Saturday 1st March 2025 at 11am and are then on the first Saturday of each month through to 1st November. Refreshments are served from 10.30am and every concert is FREE ENTRY. All welcome.

BIBLE STUDY GROUP – **The group is taking a break until 5th January 2025**, to let everyone have time to enjoy the Nigerian Feast on 22nd December and the Christmas break. Happy Christmas to all! Richard Lambert.

CHRISTMAS IN BOURNEMOUTH TOWN CENTRE PARISH

SUNDAY 1ST DECEMBER

4pm - Advent Carol Service *St Peter's*

THURSDAY 5TH DECEMBER

6pm - Bournemouth Collegiate School Carol Service *St Peter's*

MONDAY 9TH DECEMBER

6.30pm - Carol Concert For Amelia's Rainbow Charity *St Peter's*

WEDNESDAY 11TH DECEMBER

6pm - Diverse Abilities Carol Concert *St Peter's*

THURSDAY 12TH DECEMBER

6pm - BU & AUB Universities Nine Lessons & Carols Service *St Peter's*

7pm - Carol Service *St Stephen's*

THURSDAY 19TH DECEMBER

4pm - Carols By Candlelight *St Augustin's*

TUESDAY 24TH DECEMBER - CHRISTMAS EVE

4pm - Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols *St Peter's*

9pm - Christmas Eve Eucharist *St Augustin's*

11pm - Midnight Mass *St Peter's*

CHRISTMAS DAY

8am - Holy Communion *St Peter's*

10am - Festal Eucharist *St Peter's*

10.45am - Festal Sung Mass *St Stephen's*

THURSDAY 26TH DECEMBER

ST STEPHEN'S DAY

10.45am - Paternal Solemn Mass *St Stephen's*

SUNDAY 26TH JANUARY 2024

4pm - Epiphany Carol Service *St Peter's*

JANUARY 2025 - PARRY'S CAFÉ & WEDNESDAY LUNCHTIME RECITALS ARE TAKING THEIR ANNUAL BREAK – Following the Twixmas lunchtime concert on the 27th December, Parry's Café in St Peter's Church will be taking a well-earned break, until Friday 31st January 2025 when it will reopen and welcome you to the first 'Last Friday of the Month Lunchtime Jazz, Swing & Blues' concerts.

St Augustin's First Thursday of the Month Coffee Morning
9th January 2025
10am-11am
 Followed by Holy Communion for those wishing to join.
£3 For a Hot Drink & a Slice of Cake
 Raffle Prize Donations Please!
 For more information contact Lisa in the Parish Office Email: btcp@live.co.uk

THURSDAY 9TH JANUARY COFFEE MORNING

St Augustin's Church 10 - 11am

All welcome to come along to share tea, coffee, a slice of cake & there is even a raffle! Only £3 for each cuppa & pastry/cake, although larger donations are gratefully received! This coffee morning is always followed by the monthly Communion service.

FRIDAY 17TH JANUARY - FEVER UP VIVALDI & COLDPLAY CANDLELIGHT CONCERTS

St Peter's Church
 6.30pm and 8.30pm.
 Full details in church/on website and on Facebook but expect all the greats. Not to be missed!
6.30pm – VIVALDI
 Doors/Bar open from 5.45pm

St Peter's Church Bournemouth, BH1 2EE
 Candlelight concerts bring the magic of a live, multi-sensory musical experience to awe-inspiring locations like never seen before.
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VIVALDI'S Four Seasons
 Friday 17th January
 Concert: 6.30pm
 Doors/Bar: 5.45pm
 Programme: The Four Seasons: Spring, Summer, Autumn & Winter
 Performers: String Quartet: Almi Quartet
 Get your tickets now to discover the music of Vivaldi at St Peter's Church Bournemouth under the gentle glow of candlelight from <https://feverup.com>

St Peter's Church Bournemouth, BH1 2EE
 A Tribute To COLDPLAY
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Candlelight
 Candlelight concerts bring the magic of a live, multi-sensory musical experience to awe-inspiring locations like never seen before.
 Friday 17th January
 Concert: 8.30pm
 Doors/Bar: 7.45pm
 Programme: Clocks, Fix You, Speed of Sound, Radioactive, The Scientist, A Sky Full of Stars, My Universe, Everlong, A Sky Full of Stars
 Get your tickets now to discover the music of Coldplay at St Peter's Church Bournemouth under the gentle glow of candlelight from <https://feverup.com>

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 Doors/Bar open from 7.45pm
 Tickets <https://feverup.com>
 Late arrivals will not be allowed entry, so get there early!

SUNDAY 26TH JANUARY – EPIPHANY CAROL SERVICE – St Peter's Church, 4pm. All are welcome to come along and join in the celebration. And perhaps there may even be the final opportunity to enjoy some mulled wine and tasty treats after the service

FRIDAY 31ST JANUARY FRIDAY LUNCHTIME JAZZ, SWING & BLUES

St Peter's Church, 1-2pm.
 Blue Tides are performing and Parry's Café is open from 10.30am, so shake off January and come and enjoy some great music for free and a light lunch and support all that we do for St Peter's and welcome everyone in from our wider community

LUNCHTIME JAZZ, SWING & BLUES
 FREE ENTRY
 Stephen Giddell - guitar, vocals, Johnny Clouston - drums, Mark Wootton - bass, vocals, Weedy Depew - vocals, percussion, Steve Archer - sax, piccolo, Angelina Miller - trumpet, Benjamin, Janet Cook - alto/sax, congas, guitar, Neil Burgess - trombone & tuba, Emma - flut.
 The Blue Tides sound is a luminous combination of flute, saxophone, basses, guitar, bass and drums. With three distinctive vocalists they play songs from the Great American and British Songbooks plus exciting original arrangements!
Friday 31st January 1-2pm
 St Peter's Church, Hinton Road
PARRY'S CAFÉ OPEN
 Last Friday of every month

St Peter's Church Bournemouth, BH1 2EE
COLDPLAY & IMAGINE DRAGONS
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 6.30pm and 8.30pm.
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6.30pm - COLDPLAY & IMAGINE DRAGONS
 Doors/Bar open from 5.45pm
8.30pm – HANS ZIMMER
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WEDNESDAY 5TH FEBRUARY - LUNCHTIME CONCERT - St Peter's Church, 1.15-1.45pm. BU Music Scholars return and are performing live for us. FREE Admission and Parry's Café will be open from 10.30am.

WEDNESDAY 12TH FEBRUARY - LUNCHTIME CONCERT - St Peter's Church, 1.15-1.45pm. Peter Murdock-Saint and are performing live for us. FREE Admission and Parry's Café will be open from 10.30am.

COLLECT

Almighty God, who wonderfully created us in your own image and yet more wonderfully restored us through your Son Jesus Christ: grant that, as he came to share in our humanity, so we may share the life of his divinity; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

1 SAMUEL 2.18–20, 26

Samuel was ministering before the Lord, a boy wearing a linen ephod. His mother used to make for him a little robe and take it to him each year, when she went up with her husband to offer the yearly sacrifice. Then Eli would bless Elkanah and his wife, and say, 'May the Lord repay you with children by this woman for the gift that she made to the Lord'; and then they would return to their home.

Now the boy Samuel continued to grow both in stature and in favour with the Lord and with the people.

COLOSSIANS 3.12–17

As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive.

Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God.

And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

LUKE 2.41–52

Now every year his parents went to Jerusalem for the festival of the Passover. And when he was twelve years old, they went up as usual for the festival.

When the festival was ended and they started to return, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it. Assuming that he was in the group of travellers, they went a day's journey. Then they started to look for him among their relatives and friends. When they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem to search for him. After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers.

When his parents saw him, they were astonished; and his mother said to him, 'Child, why have you treated us like this? Look, your father and I have been searching for you in great anxiety.' He said to them, 'Why were you searching for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?'

But they did not understand what he said to them. Then he went down with them and came to Nazareth and was obedient to them. His mother treasured all these things in her heart.

And Jesus increased in wisdom and in years, and in divine and human favour.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son shared at Nazareth the life of an earthly home: help your Church to live as one family, united in love and obedience, and bring us all at last to our home in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen