



**BOURNEMOUTH  
TOWN CENTRE PARISH  
PEW NEWS**

**St Peter  
St Augustin - St Stephen**

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> January  
The Epiphany**



**THIS WEEK – SUNDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY  
THE EPIPHANY**

<b>ST PETER</b>	<b>08.00</b>	<b>COMMUNION</b> Canon Nick Jepson Biddle
	<b>10.00</b>	<b>SUNG EUCHARIST</b> Canon Nick Jepson Biddle Sides: Tim & Ruth Moorhouse Readers: Helen Ryder, Jane MacDonald Intercessor: Don Gobbett Hymns: 84i, 85, 83, 46, 89
	<b>16:00</b>	<b>CHORAL EVENSONG</b> Canon Andrew Gough Sides: Tim & Ruth Moorhouse Hymns: Psalms 98, 100; 88, 83, 90i
<b>ST AUGUSTIN</b>	<b>10.00</b>	<b>HOLY COMMUNION</b> The Rev'd Steve Parselle Readers: Janet Lawrence, Barbara Sparling Intercessor: Barbara Sparling Hymns: NEH: 336, 495, 465, 31, 36
<b>ST STEPHEN</b>	<b>10.45</b>	<b>SOLEMN MASS</b> The Rev'd Dr Rob Sawdy Readers: Paul Coote, Diana Shiner Hymns: 47, 48, 27, 33

**WEEKDAY SERVICES**

**WEDNESDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY**

**ST STEPHEN 10:00** LOW MASS @ ST PETER'S  
Canon Nick Jepson-Biddle

**THURSDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY**

**ST AUGUSTIN 11:00** HOLY COMMUNION  
Canon Nick Jepson-Biddle

**ST PETER 12:15** HOLY COMMUNION - KEBLE CHAPEL  
Canon Nick Jepson-Biddle

**NEXT WEEK – SUNDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY  
THE BAPTISM OF CHRIST**

<b>ST PETER</b>	<b>08.00</b>	<b>COMMUNION</b> Canon Nick Jepson Biddle
	<b>10.00</b>	<b>SUNG EUCHARIST</b> Preside: Canon Nick Jepson Biddle Sides: Marion Trimby, Jenny Groves Readers: Arthur & Josephine Chagadama Intercessor: Virginia Beck
	<b>16:00</b>	<b>CHORAL EVENSONG</b> Canon Nick Jepson Biddle Sides: Ronalyn Bichard
<b>ST AUGUSTIN</b>	<b>10.00</b>	<b>HOLY COMMUNION</b> The Rev'd Dr David Wheeler Readers: June Webb, David Agar Intercessor: Barbara Sparling
<b>ST STEPHEN</b>	<b>10.45</b>	<b>SOLEMN MASS</b> The Rev'd Dr Rob Sawdy Readers: Paul Coote, Don Oakley

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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 1<sup>st</sup> 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, Val Spence

## REGULAR FEATURES IN BTCP

**PRAYER GROUP** – Next meeting on 6<sup>th</sup> January 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](mailto: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](mailto: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 1<sup>st</sup> March 2025 at 11am and are then on the first Saturday of each month through to 1<sup>st</sup> 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 5<sup>th</sup> January 2025**, to let everyone have time to enjoy the Nigerian Feast on 22<sup>nd</sup> December and the Christmas break. Happy Christmas to all! Richard Lambert.

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

**THURSDAY 9<sup>th</sup> 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.



**TUESDAY 15<sup>th</sup> JANUARY - A SPECIAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING (SPCM)** - St Peter's Church, 6.00pm. As you are all aware, the PCC passed a resolution to dismantle the 'team Ministry back in September 2023. However, as the Team Ministry was set up at an SPCM, we therefore need one to formally dismantle it.



**WEDNESDAY 15<sup>th</sup> JANUARY  
ST AUGUSTIN'S POSTPONED  
'CHRISTMAS PARTY'**

St Augustin's Church Annexe  
3-5pm  
Postponed from December, there will be food, fun and also a quiz and a raffle! All are welcome to come along and join in the fun. Contact Janet or Ruth on 07971 062892.

**FRIDAY 17<sup>th</sup> 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

**8.30pm – COLDPLAY**  
Doors/Bar open from 7.45pm  
Tickets <https://feverup.com>  
Late arrivals will not be allowed entry, so get there early!

**SUNDAY 26<sup>th</sup> 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 31<sup>ST</sup> 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



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COLDPLAY & IMAGINE DRAGONS  
AND HANS ZIMMER BEST WORKS  
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**WEDNESDAY 5<sup>th</sup> 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 12<sup>th</sup> 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.

**WEDNESDAY 19<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY - LUNCHTIME CONCERT** - St Peter's Church, 1.15-1.45pm. Performer tbc. FREE Admission and Parry's Café will be open from 10.30am.

**WEDNESDAY 26<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY - LUNCHTIME CONCERT** - St Peter's Church, 1.15-1.45pm. Performer tbc. FREE Admission and Parry's Café will be open from 10.30am.

## **COLLECT**

*O God, who by the leading of a star manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: mercifully grant that we, who know you now by faith, may at last behold your glory face to face; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.*

**Amen**

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### ISAIAH 60.1–6

Arise, shine; for your light has come and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. For darkness shall cover the earth and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you and his glory will appear over you. Nations shall come to your light and kings to the brightness of your dawn.

Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms. Then you shall see and be radiant, your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.

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### EPHESIANS 3.1–12

This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles— for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given to me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow-heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given to me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of

the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

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### MATTHEW 2.1–12

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, 'Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising and have come to pay him homage.' When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, 'In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

*"And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel."*

Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, 'Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.' When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure-chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

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## **POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

*Lord God, the bright splendour whom the nations seek: may we who with the wise men have been drawn by your light discern the glory of your presence in your Son, the Word made flesh, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen*