

# Church Window

The magazine for the parishes of

## St. Peter's

Leighton-cum-Minshull Vernon



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## St. Leonard's

Warmingham

"Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen."  
*Hebrews 11:1*

February 2024

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### Parish Safeguarding Officer: Vacancy at St Leonard's

The Parish Safeguarding Officer is the key link between the diocese and the parish, concerning safeguarding matters. It is a positive leadership role supporting and providing direction to the parish in good safeguarding practice.

They will have an overview of all church activities involving children, young people and vulnerable adults and will seek to ensure the implementation of safeguarding policy and practice.

**The role can be taken by one person, or the role shared.** Support is provided by the diocese.

Whilst there is a vacancy in the role of Parish Safeguarding Officer, please contact the Churchwardens regarding any safeguarding issues. See above for contact details.

## When Ash Wednesday is also Valentine's Day

This year Ash Wednesday falls on Valentine's Day and there have been a number of memes and cartoons online looking at this interesting coming together of dates. Many of them have a picture of a person with ash on their forehead in the shape of a heart rather than a cross. This is an interesting and challenging image.



Ash Wednesday is the start of Lent, the period of prayer and fasting where Christians reflect upon their lives, often giving something up in order to focus their prayers. Lent encourages people to think about Jesus and how his life, death and resurrection can impact their own lives. They often use this time to repent of those times where their thoughts, words and actions haven't met the mark. It is very much a time of preparation before Holy Week and Easter where the death and resurrection of Jesus are remembered.

In a number of Christian traditions, on Ash Wednesday, ashes are placed on the head in the shape of a cross. The ashes have biblical significance as they are seen as a symbol of grief and as a symbol of sorrow for sins. The words used while the ashes are imposed are very powerful.

*"Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return. Turn away from sin and be faithful to Christ."*

They are a challenge to turn back and follow Christ.

In many ways Lent is a time of focussing one's heart on the love shown by Jesus on the cross. When Ash Wednesday falls on Valentine's Day, a day we know is littered with big red love hearts everywhere, it is easy to see why the clever artists and creators make the link between the two days with a heart of ash.

It is possible that, in amongst all the many hearts we will see this Valentine's, we might see someone with a cross of ash on their forehead. A cross that reminds us of a deeper, sacrificial love.

1 John 4:10 tells us that Jesus death is the ultimate sign of love

*This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.*

Let us use this Ash Wednesday as a time to reflect. You are warmly invited to join us for our Ash Wednesday Service at St Peter's at 7pm. If you want to you can have a symbol of love drawn in ashes on your forehead. It will be the cross not a heart just in case you were wondering.

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## Treasurer at St Leonard's Church, Warmingham

Our current Treasurer at St Leonard's Church is stepping down due to her work and family commitments, so we are looking for a volunteer to join the PCC and take on this valuable role.

Do you think you have the interest and skills to take on this important job?

Please contact the Churchwardens to find out more.

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**Join St Leonard's,  
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worship for children,  
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## Warmingham Home Group

The next meeting is on **Monday 26th February** at 2pm at the home of Jenny Sant. Please contact Helan on 01606 841711 for further details.

You are invited to a  
**Pancake and Social  
Morning**

**Saturday 17th  
February**

**10am – 12noon**  
in the Village Hall

Cost £3.00  
includes pancake  
tea / coffee / soft drink

Raffle, Stalls



St Leonard's PCC Meeting  
**Tuesday 27th February**  
in Church at 7.30pm

**The Great Warmingham Family**

**DUCK DRIVE**



**Friday 8th March**

Warmingham Village Hall  
7.15pm for 7.30pm start

We are holding a family Duck Drive in the Village Hall on the evening of Friday 8th March at 7.15pm for a 7.30pm start. There will be prizes for the winners and losers and there will be snacks and drinks to buy during the evening. There will be a raffle (kindly donated by Edf Energy) to raise monies for the Wakes May Queen 2024 and retinue dresses etc. All family groups and all ages welcome. Please come along and join in the fabulous family fun. Pay on the door - Adults £2 / Children £1.

## **Wakes meeting**

The first Wakes Meeting of 2024 is on **Tuesday 30th January** in the Village Hall at 7.30pm.

Warmingham Wakes will be held on **Saturday 4th May** from 1.30pm on the church field.

Watch out for the dates of further planning meetings.

### **Wakes May Queen and Attendants**

**Please see Application Form at back of this magazine  
or on Warmingham Church website/Facebook.**

<http://www.warminghamchurch.weebly.com>

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**The results** for Rose Queen, Attendant, Rose Bud, Crown Bearer and Bell Ringer will be announced at the Family Duck Drive on Friday 8th March.

## **Warmingham Wakes 2024**

**Date: Saturday 4th May**

Place: Warmingham Church Field

Time: from 1.30pm

Duck Race at 4pm

Please contact the Churchwardens for further information

Snowdrops in  
St Leonard's Churchyard



## St Peter's Plough Service Sunday 11th February, 7pm

Followed by Plough Supper in the Hall  
for which there will be a small charge.  
Please bring your own drinks and glass



## St Peter's Church - New Treasurer Needed This Year

Could you volunteer to be our new treasurer? You do not need to have been a treasurer of an organisation before. A willing and numerate person would do an excellent job. The Diocese of Chester offers some training to new treasurers, and a good handover from our current treasurer will cover much of what a new treasurer will need to know.

The key responsibilities are as follows:

- Record all financial transactions carried out on behalf of the PCC and ensure they are properly authorised.
- Draft an annual budget with the churchwarden to assist the PCC to plan how it will fulfil its objectives for the coming year.
- Monitor the PCC's finances throughout the year and alert the PCC if any difficulties are likely.
- Submit the annual accounts to our external examiner for checking.
- Present the examined annual accounts to the PCC and subsequently to the Annual Parochial Church Meeting.

## St Peter's Social Planners Committee

Our next Social Planners Meeting is on **Wednesday 28th February** in the choir vestry at 7pm. All very welcome to come along.



## St Leonard's Calendar of Services / Rotas

<b>Date</b>	<b>Times and services</b>	<b>Sides-persons</b>	<b>Altar Flowers &amp; Brasses</b>	<b>Cleaning</b>
Sunday 4th February The Presentation of Christ in the Temple (Candlemas)	11.30am Morning Prayer	Mrs J Furber	Mrs C Whittaker	Helen and team
Sunday 11th February The Sunday next before Lent	11.30am Morning Service	Mrs C Royston	Mrs J Buckley	
Sunday 18th February The First Sunday of Lent	11.30am Family Communion  4.00pm Family Service	Mrs H Walker	Mrs J Buckley	
Sunday 25th February The Second Sunday of Lent	9.00am Holy Communion	Mrs L Crank	No flowers in Lent	
Monday 27th February	7.30pm PCC Meeting in Church			
Sunday 3rd March The Third Sunday of Lent	11.30am Morning Service	Mrs L Case	No flowers in Lent	

### **Warmingham Village Hall**

For hall bookings please ring 01270 526111 or enquire through

info@warminghamvh.co.uk

Website: [www.warminghamvh.co.uk](http://www.warminghamvh.co.uk)



## St Peter's Calendar of Services

Date	Times and Services	Readings and Readers 10.45am	Readings and Readers 7pm
Sunday 4th February The Presentation of Christ in the Temple (Candlemas)	9.00am HC 10.45am HC No 7pm Evensong	Hebrews 2.14-18 <i>Jane Dunseath</i>  Luke 2.22-40	No Evensong
Sunday 11th February Plough Sunday/The Sunday next before Lent	9.00am HC 10.45am HC 7pm Plough Service followed by supper in the hall	2 Corinthians 4.3-6 <i>Ben Entwistle</i>  Mark 9.2-9	Plough Service
14th February Ash Wednesday	7.00pm HC		2 Corinthians 5.20b-6.10  Matthew 6.1-6, 16-21
Sunday 18th February The First Sunday of Lent	9.00am HC 10.45am HC No 7pm Evensong	1 Peter 3.18-end <i>Gilly Booth</i>  Mark 1.9-15	No Evensong
Sunday 25th February The Second Sunday of Lent	No 9am HC 10.45am HC 7pm Evensong followed by HC	Romans 4.13-end <i>Chris Ward</i>  Mark 8.31-end	Genesis 12.1-9 <i>Ruth Edge</i>  Hebrew 11.1-3, 8-16 <i>Andrew Hollinshead</i>
Sunday 3rd March The Third Sunday of Lent	9am HC 10.45am HC No 7pm Evensong	1 Corinthians 1.18-25 <i>Alan Culshaw</i>  John 2.13-22	No Evensong

## St Peter's Rotas

<b>Date</b>	<b>Sidespersons</b>	<b>Offertory</b>	<b>Cleaning</b>	<b>Altar Flowers</b>
Sunday 4th February The Presentation of Christ in the Temple (Candlemas)	Robert Hodson	Alan and Margaret Culshaw	Phyllis Darlington and Dorothy Riley	Ruth Edge
Sunday 11th February Plough Sunday/The Sunday next before Lent	Ben Entwistle  Sandra Parkes	John Edge and Ann Hughes	Audrey Bergin	Ruth Edge
14th February Ash Wednesday				
Sunday 18th February The First Sunday of Lent	Philip and Gail Barnes	Philippa Goyer and Ann De Ruiter	John and Ruth Edge	No flowers in Lent
Sunday 25th February The Second Sunday of Lent	Patrick Smith  Sandra Parkes	Alan and Margaret Culshaw	Phyllis Darlington and Dorothy Riley	No flowers in Lent
Sunday 3rd March The Third Sunday of Lent	Robert Hodson	Paul Harvey and Ben Entwistle	Audrey Bergin	No flowers in Lent

### **St. Peter's Community Hall, Minshull Vernon**

For hall bookings please contact Jane: Email:mvchall@yahoo.com

Tel: 07902 936490

## St Peter's February Book of Remembrance

- 4th Frank John Joseph Thomas (1987), Mary Ellen Corsbie (1990),  
Junior Cargill Johnson (2020)
- 5th Frank Foster (1956), Vera Mary Riley (2007)
- 7th Stella Whiston (2002)
- 8th Elizabeth Alice Hobson (1984), Samuel Foster (1998)
- 9th Lilian Mary Riley (2012)
- 10th Margaret Lea Edge (2013)
- 11th Keith Betteley (2022)
- 12th Robert (Bob) Harding (2014), Claire Alison Gough (2019)
- 15th Richard Callwood (1997)
- 16th Doris Barbara Craven (1935), Anne Hulse (2004)
- 17th William Morrey (1917), Maggie Ollerhead (1995),  
Angela Glenys Jinks (2020)
- 18th Edith Wood (2006), Richard Hollinshead (2020)
- 19th Frances Isabel Mason (2004)
- 21st Agnes Doreen Gray (2010)
- 22nd Gladys Bostock (1993)
- 23rd Elizabeth Jane Pollard (1997), William Henry Birchall (2005)
- 24th William Hodgson Coates (Priest) (1894),  
Philip Curzon Powell (1995), Jayne Alison Evans (2010),  
Keith James Wood (2012)
- 26th Frank Thomas (1976), Harry Gallimore (2011),  
Elfriede Hedwig Peake (2015)
- 27th Violet Ollerhead (1969), Charles Newton (1880),  
Bessie Didsbury (1999), Thomas Craven (2014),  
Judith Parkes (2023)
- 28th Mary Webster (1920), Roy Alfred de-la-Haye (2001),  
Kathleen Evans (2009)

"Do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever  
you go." *Joshua 1:9*

Loving God We pray for the farming community as they continue to work  
hard to bring us food. Bless them as they sow crops and care for livestock.  
Surround them with your love so they may know they are cared for and  
valued. Help us to be thankful for the food they produce and not to waste it.

# News from Warmingham CE Primary School

What's been happening in school this term?

## Otters' Class

Otters' Class started the term off with a fantastic wow starter to introduce their new study theme: 'Ticket to Ride'. They found a London bus in their classroom. It sparked lots of questions about London and other destinations they would like to explore.



They have loved deciding where they would like to visit. As part of their learning, they have had to think every carefully about which clothes they need to pack before they set off on their travels.



The education library bus has also been to visit us – can you imagine how excited Otters' were to meet one of the naughty buses friends and choose some new books for their classroom!

The children have also enjoyed painting some pictures of London buses. They studied some pictures of London buses before sketching their own.

Once they had finished their sketches, they used watercolours to paint them.



## Hedgehog's Class

As a 'wow' starter to their new study theme, Hedgehogs' Class were visited by Zoe, the zookeeper. The only problem was she didn't know anything about lions or mice, so Hedgehogs' decided to help her. They got busy researching lots of facts to share with Zoe. She was impressed with their knowledge.



Hedgehogs' Class have been inspired by Peter Paul Reubens' Lion and have created their own sketches of lions, using thick and thin lines with different grades of pencil. Please scan the QR code to see their amazing pictures.



## Squirrels' Class



Squirrels' Class returned from the Christmas holidays to find some rather large footprints on their classroom floor and the classroom felt very dark and gloomy. They soon discovered they had gone back in time to the Stone Age and were living in a cave. They then created their very own cave art just like the Stone Age people.



Squirrels' had a fantastic morning taking part in a Stone Age workshop. You'll see from the film, (scan the QR code) they had a wonderful time and learnt lots.

Yesterday, Squirrels' Class used a technique known as 'flint knapping' to make some Stone Age. We used some stones and sticks which they collected from our woodland area to knock flakes of flint away they created their desired shape.



## Badgers' Class

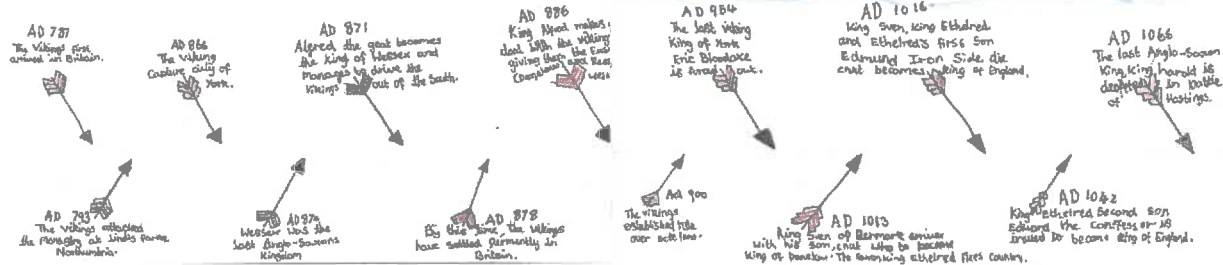
This term, Badgers' Class have been learning more about the Vikings. They started their study theme off by looking at some historical artefacts and photographs. They have to use their previous knowledge of Viking to identify what the artefacts were. They then recalled ten interesting facts from their previous learning. Over the course of this half term, they will be studying some aspects of the Vikings in depth: where they invaded from and why, how their shipbuilding skills allowed them to travel greater distances than anyone before, which aspects of our language originated from the Vikings before learning about how the Viking were pioneers of craft and international trade. We will then be developing our sculpture skills

whilst using one the Viking interventions: the potter's wheel. Below is some of their amazing work.

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> and Friday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2024  
 As an historian, I can explain when and where the Vikings came from and why they raided Britain.

### Why the Vikings invaded Britain.

The Vikings came from the Modern Scandinavian Countries of Denmark, Norway and Sweden. They travelled in boats called Longships and first arrived in Britain around AD 787. The Vikings raided places such as Monasteries and pillaged expensive items to trade. They were looking for valuable goods like gold and jewels, important foods and other useful materials.



Hello! My name is Lois. I have been a member of St. Mary's Church Nantwich for 16 years and the church has played a huge role in my life. I am super excited to announce that I will be running the Nantwich 10K to raise money for the National Deaf Children's Society. This Charity has had a positive impact on my life and has constantly assisted me throughout my time in education and in my daily life. Having suffered with a hearing impairment from a young age, my daily life is often affected. As a result, I wear a hearing aid 90% of the time. Throughout my time in secondary school and the struggles with everyday life, the NDCS provided constant support for me and my family. Therefore, I would love to give something back for the help and support that I have received from this wonderful charity.

If you can, I would truly appreciate donations for my run. These donations can help change the lives of deaf children.

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/lois-north-10k>

# Warmingham Village News

## February Diary Dates

Wednesday 7th	W.I. Meeting	Village Hall	7.30pm
Tuesday 13th	Walk `n Talk	Sandbach	10.00am
Saturday 17th	Pancake Morning	Village Hall	10.00am
Every Thursday	Bellringing at the Church from 7.30pm - 9.00pm		

## Future Dates

Friday 8th March	Duck Drive	Village Hall	7.30pm
Saturday 4th May	Warmingham Wakes	Church Field	1.30pm

## Warmingham & District W.I.

The meeting on Wednesday 3rd January was a Members' Night. The President, Caroline, welcomed members and guests and signed the minutes from the previous meeting. Members and guests were served a supper of homemade soup followed by apple pie and cream. Then to the games – bingo and pass the parcel. A sociable and fun evening was enjoyed.

Come along in Cowboy Boots and Stetson on **Wednesday 7th February** to join in the line dancing to be led by teacher Sue at our February meeting. The meeting starts at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. There will also be a Bring & Buy Stall and a Raffle. The competition topic is "Cowboy".

The **Craft Group** meet once a month on a Friday afternoon in Sandbach.

The **Book Group** meeting is on Monday 12th February.

The **Darts Team** meet at the Market Tavern in Sandbach on Monday lunchtimes.

The W.I. meetings are held in the Village Hall on the first Wednesday in the month at 7.30pm. Visitors and new members are always welcome. For further information please contact Caroline on 01270 526022.

## Walk 'n Talk

Not many walkers were free to join the January walk so it was postponed and is now planned for **Tuesday 13th February** with the same programme – a walk from Brereton Country Park followed by lunch at a nearby pub.

Meet on Lower Waitrose car park in Sandbach at 10.00am. If you wish to join the walk or just come for lunch please sign the list at W.I. or ring Caroline on 01270 526022. You do not need to be a W.I. member to join this activity.



# Warmingham Wakes

Application for Rose Queen,  
Attendant, Rose Bud, Crown Bearer and Bell Ringer

Would you like to enter the Warmingham Wakes (Saturday 4th May 2024) as the Queen, one of her Attendants, Rose Buds, Crown Bearer or Bell Ringer? There is a dress allowance of £40pp and we have a lovely stock of existing dresses that we call on as well. If you would like to enter, please provide a brief summary of which role you would like and why. (*Parents can fill this in on behalf of their child*).

There is opportunity to attend other fetes during the summer calendar as Warmingham Wakes May Queen. If it still appeals to you, don't delay, apply today! Age criteria of roles as follows...

Queen	(Age 11 – 16 years)
Attendants	(Age 7 – 10 years)
Rose Buds	(Age 4 – 6 years)
Crown Bearer / Bell Ringer	(Age 4 – 9 years)

... Good luck from the Wakes Committee.

**Role:** Please circle which one of the following roles you would like to do:

Queen	Attendant	Rose Bud
Crown Bearer	Bell Ringer	

Name: .....

Date of Birth: .....

Telephone number:.....

Address details:.....

.....

Please give a brief explanation on why you would like to carry out the above role:

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Please could you submit your application by **Friday 1st March 2024** to:  
Amanda Richardson, Keepers Cottage, Warmingham, Sandbach,  
Cheshire CW11 3QP - bird.richardson@gmail.com 01270 526283 or  
07771 782390.

# St Leonards Church, Warmingham.

## CAN YOU HELP?



We are looking for a

**Treasurer** and a **Safeguarding Officer**

If you feel you have a couple of hours each week to spare we would love to hear from you.

The **Church Tower** is to undergo a major restoration project within the next 2 years and we have to raise a lot of money through donations and grants. Are you able to help with this massive project?

Please contact Rev. Paul North, [revpaulnorth@outlook.com](mailto:revpaulnorth@outlook.com) or, one of the Churchwardens, Mike Sant or Janet Furber.

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