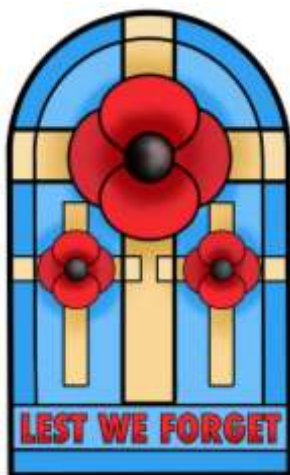


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## St. Peter's

Leighton-cum-Minshull Vernon



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## St. Leonard's

Warmingham

"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me" Philippians 4:13

**November 2024**

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## November Colour

Often, at this time of year, we are struck again by the dark mornings and seemingly endless nights. The clocks falling back see us contemplating the upcoming winter. The deep grey daytime skies leave us longing for the briefest of glimpses of the blues of spring and summer. And yet in the developing dreariness we are still surrounded by wonderful colour. Many of the autumn hues are still clinging on. The burnt orange, earth red and copper rose of the changing leaves interspersed with the ochres and yellows moving together in the wind bring a vibrancy even in the gloom.



And that is before we look to the wonder of fireworks. The carefully choreographed explosions in the sky banishing the darkness as the skies dance with reds, pinks and purples, bright greens and blues, dazzling white, silver and golds. The stunning shapes and perfect patterns fleetingly adorning the night with hope and joy.

And maybe that is why I love the colours of November so much. In the dying back of the trees, the leaves show us there is hope. In the very darkest of skies, fireworks explode with awe and wonder announcing joy and hope can be found.

Such light and colour in the darkness brings to mind of the words of the Psalmist who reminds us where true hope can be found.

*Lord, you give light to my lamp. My God brightens the darkness around me. Psalm 18:28 NCV*

This November may you be reminded that even in the darkness joy can be found, even in the toughest of times there is hope because God is with us. I pray that you may catch a glimpse of His light and colour.

# From our September Registers



## Baptisms

*We welcome you into the Lord's family*

St Peter's

8th Acer Derby Boo Forster

22nd Jaxon James Kelly



**Weddings** *Bless these thy servants*



## Funerals

*"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted"*

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## Prayer for November

Father God,

November is not many people's favourite month, unless there is a birthday or a delight in bonfires. Short days, sometimes dismal weather can lower our mood. The days of springtime optimism and summer sunshine seem a long way away, whether we look back or forward.

Help us Lord, whatever the month, whatever our circumstances, whatever our mood, to know the reality of Your presence and peace; to treasure each new day and know it is transformed by You into the most precious and beautiful gift. Help us not to waste a single one of them, Lord. Thank You so much for November days.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

*By Daphne Kitching*

## Forthcoming Events at St Leonard's



Our Treasurer at St Leonard's is stepping down due to work and family commitments. 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.

### St Leonard's November and December diary dates

Sunday 10th November	<b>Remembrance Service</b> at 11.30am in Church
Monday 11th November	<b>School Remembrance Service</b> at 10.30am in Church. All welcome
Wednesday 13th November	<b>PCC Meeting</b> at 7.30pm in Church
Monday 2nd December	<b>School Christingle Service</b> at 2pm in Church. All welcome
Wednesday 11th December	<b>Carol Singing</b> in the Bear's Paw from 6.30pm
Sunday 15th December	<b>Church Christmas Lunch</b> at 1pm in Warmingham Village Hall
Sunday 15th December	<b>St Leonard's Nativity Service</b> at 4pm in Church
Tuesday 17th December	<b>School Nativity Service</b> at 2pm in Church. All welcome
Wednesday 18th December	<b>School Carol Service</b> at 6pm in Church
Friday 20th December	<b>Nine Lessons and Carols Christmas Service</b> at 7pm in Church



## St Leonard's Church Warmingham

are holding a

### Grand Christmas Raffle

with super prizes

to be drawn on **Friday 20th December** in church after the Carol Service. Tickets available soon from church members.

Contact Janet Furber for further information.

## Warmingham Home Group

The next meeting is on **Monday 25th November** at 2pm at the home of Frances Noden. Please contact Helan on 01606 841711 for further details.

## St Leonard's Christmas Lunch



**Sunday 15th December** in Warmingham Village Hall after the Morning Service (12.45 for 1pm) £27.00 per head for a three-course lunch including glass of wine or soft drink.

Book your place by signing the list in church or by contacting Janet Furber on 01270 526393

## **All Souls' Memorial Service at St Peter's**

### **Sunday 3rd November 2024 at 7.00pm**

We would like to invite you and any other members of your family and friends to our forthcoming special memorial service on Sunday 3rd November 2024 at 7.00pm in St Peter's Church.

This service is especially for those of you who have been bereaved. During the service there will be an opportunity to come and light a candle in memory of your loved one.

We would very much like the opportunity of meeting you and members of your family. We do hope you will be able to attend. You are warmly invited to stay for a cup of tea or coffee after the service.

With the assurance of our prayers and good wishes.

We give thanks for each of our loved ones whom we remembered today, for all the ways in which their lives touched ours, for the difficult as well as the good times, for the ways in which their lives and their love continue to be with us. In our sadness and with thanksgiving, we will remember them.

## **Sunday 10th November**

### **Remembrance Sunday**



10.50am Remembrance at Bradfield Green

11.15am Short Remembrance Service in St Peter's Church

ST PETER'S AND ST LEONARD'S

# PRAYER PICNIC

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St Peter's Community Hall, CW1 4RD





**St Nicholas will be visiting  
St Peter's Community Hall**

Leighton-cum-Minshull Vernon CW1 4RD

**Sunday 15th December, 11.30am**

All very welcome.  
Refreshments will be served in the hall.

## Donations of Toys to St Paul's Centre



St Nicholas will be visiting St Peter's Community Hall on **Sunday 15th December** at 11.30am. Refreshments will be served and all are very welcome to attend.

If you are able to bring to the hall any new or good quality second hand toys these will be given to St Paul's Centre for children less fortunate this Christmas. Toys can also be given directly to St Paul's Centre in Hightown, Crewe (at the back gate which is across the road from the top Asda car park). Thank you.

**When I was an aerial fitter**, I was lucky to spend some time with Gordon Geddes (Vicar at St Peter's from 1990 -2005), sorting his aerial so he could watch his beloved cricket in a different room. When I finished I had a drink and a chat. He was that pleased with what he and Marjorie had done for the people in Salford, coming up to Christmas he kept announcing for the congregation to donate presents for the children of Salford. Then on a Sunday before Christmas there would be a knock on the vestry door and Saint Nicholas came. Gordon Geddes would explain the story of Saint Nicholas and Christmas then the children would bring the presents. Gordon said it took two trips in two cars there were that many gifts. A feel good feeling for him and Marjorie and all at St Peters. Just imagine the hundreds of children that would have missed out on those presents.

Another nice thing was the amount of weddings we had for ex-pupils he had taught. They must have really liked him. Finally he must have been well thought of to be made a Canon and also have 'Gordon Geddes Way' named after him.

Saint Nicholas heard of the kind gifts and he started coming and explaining how Christmas began. He gave all the children a small sack with things like chocolate coins and mini Santa's. One time there was Gold, Frankincense and Myrrh.

In later years we have had a bran tub for the children to find a gift, food and drink, a craft table with a prize for the best, a tombola and the chance to get to meet St Nicholas. All provided free of charge. The presents collected from the congregation were given to The Salvation Army and now St Paul's.

The work is required just as much today, so it is nice to continue what Gordon and Marjorie started. Thanks to the Geddes family.

*Mick Humphrey*

**A Note from Rev Paul:** It is great to remember the history of this church. This year we will be having a **Family Nativity** service on **15th December** at 10.45am followed by a Christmas Fair in the Hall. Alongside a number of other things there will be chance to meet St Nicholas there. Do join us if you are able.

Our service of **Lessons and Carols** will be on **Sunday 22nd December** at 7pm. On Christmas Eve we will be holding our Crib and Christingle services at 3pm and 4:30pm and an 11:30pm Communion. We would love to see you.

# Christmas Fair

St Peter's Community Hall  
Middlewich Road, CW1 4RD

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December  
11.30am

Raffle

Christmas Tombola

Arts and Crafts

Refreshments



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# St Leonard's Calendar of Services / Rotas

*Please check times of services carefully*

<b>Date</b>	<b>Times and services</b>	<b>Sides- persons</b>	<b>Altar Flowers &amp; Brasses</b>	<b>Cleaning</b>
Sunday 3rd November The 4th Sunday before Advent	11.30am Morning Prayer	Janet Newton	Myra Cope	Helen and team
Sunday 10th November Remembrance Sunday The 3rd Sunday before Advent	11.30am Remembrance Service	Ken Newton	Myra Cope	
Monday 11th November	10.30am School Remembrance Service. All welcome			
Sunday 17th November The 2nd Sunday before Advent	11.30am Family Communion  4.00pm Informal Service	Nicole Archer	Kate Richardson	
Sunday 24th November Christ the King The Sunday next before Advent	9.00am Holy Communion	Lesley Crank	Kate Richardson	
Sunday 1st December The 1st Sunday of Advent	11.30am Morning Service	Simon Moss	Helen Walker	



Wednesday 13th  
November  
7.30pm in Church



## St Peter's Calendar of Services

Date	Times and Services	Readings and Readers 10.45am	Readings and Readers 7pm
Sunday 3rd November The 4th Sunday before Advent	9.00am HC 10.45am HC 7pm All Souls' Memorial Service	Revelation 21:1-6a <i>Ruth Edge</i>  John 11:32-44	All Souls' Philippians 1:18-26  <i>Andrew Hollinshead</i>  John 20:19-23 <i>Alison Bate</i>
Sunday 10th November Remembrance Sunday The 3rd Sunday before Advent	9.00am HC 10.50am Remembrance at Bradfield Green 11.15am Short Remembrance Service in Church No 7pm Evensong	Hebrews 9:24-28 <i>Alan Culshaw</i>  Mark 1:14-20	No Evensong
Sunday 17th November The 2nd Sunday before Advent	9.00am HC 10.45am HC No 7pm Evensong	Hebrews 10:11-14, 19-25 <i>Ben Entwistle</i>  Mark 13:1-8	No Evensong
Sunday 24th November Christ the King The Sunday next before Advent	No 9am HC 10.45am HC 12.30pm Baptism 7pm Evensong with HC	Revelation 1:4b-8 <i>Jane Dunseath</i>  John 18:33-38a	Daniel ch.5 <i>Sandra Parkes</i>  John 6:1-15 <i>Chris Parkes</i>
Sunday 1st December The 1st Sunday of Advent	9am HC 10.45am HC No 7pm Evensong	1 Thessalonians 3:9-end <i>Chris Ward</i>  Luke 21:25-36	No Evensong

## St Peter's Rotas

<b>Date</b>	<b>Sidespersons</b>	<b>Offertory</b>	<b>Cleaning</b>	<b>Altar Flowers</b>
Sunday 3rd November The 4th Sunday before Advent	Philip and Gail Barnes  Sandra Parkes	Alan and Margaret Culshaw	Val Simcock and Paul Harvey	Ruth Edge
Sunday 10th November Remembrance Sunday The 3rd Sunday before Advent	Ben Entwistle	John Edge and Ann Hughes	Audrey Bergin	Ruth Edge
Sunday 17th November The 2nd Sunday before Advent	Philip and Gail Barnes	Philippa Goyer and Ann deRuiter	John and Ruth Edge	John Edge
Sunday 24th November Christ the King The Sunday next before Advent	Ben Entwistle  Sandra Parkes	Paul Harvey and Ben Entwistle	Phyllis Darlington and Dorothy Riley	John Edge
Sunday 1st December The 1st Sunday of Advent	Philip and Gail Barnes	Alan and Margaret Culshaw	Andrew Hollinshead	No Altar Flowers

St. Pauls Centre, Hightown, Crewe, Cheshire, CW1 3BY

## Reverse Advent Calendar in November for St Paul's Foodbank

Our Reverse Advent Calendar is an easy way to get involved and make a difference in your local community.

The idea is simply for families / individuals / households / community groups to collect an item of long-life food per day from **1st - 24th November**.

We are encouraging anyone who is able to collect an item a day in November to donate to St Paul's Foodbank as we anticipate that the need for support is set to increase this winter. Do please help if you are able.

Any long-life items and Christmas items welcome. Below is just a suggestion. Please note we cannot accept fresh food.

Please drop off your donations to: St Paul's Centre, Hightown, Crewe, CW1 3BY at our back gate - Monday - Friday 9.30am to 4pm.

Tinned corned beef/ham	Tinned fruit	Tinned rice pudding	Tinned vegetables	Tea bags/ coffee	Box of cereal/ cereal bars
Tinned/ packet soup	Tinned meat dish	Instant noodles	Packet of microwave rice	Baked beans	Carton of UHT milk
Jar of jam	Tinned tomatoes	Jar of pasta sauce	Long life pudding/ cake	Tinned fish	Spaghetti
Fruit juice cartons	Biscuits/ crackers	Tinned custard	Tinned potatoes	Sauces curry/ pasta	Instant gravy

# WARMINGHAM VILLAGE COMMUNITY WALK AND TREASURE HUNT

In aid of St. Leonards Church



On 29th September 2024

There was an excellent turn out with 29 walkers completing the 4 mile walk which started on the Church field by the Bears Paw. The route went through the village along grassy footpaths, narrow roads, through fields and along the Trent and mersey canal before returning through Moston past the fishing pools and along a bridleway before returning to the Bears Paw for afternoon tea of sandwiches, chips, scones and tea and coffee.

The walk included a treasure hunt with clues on the way together with items to find and a bear hunt for the children. There was a three way tie for first prize of a selection of chocolates and various bottles of wine for the raffle which were all kindly donated by Kistos ( formerly EDF energy)

Thanks go to Helen Walker and Robert Newton for organising the event and to the Bears Paw.

A total of £350.00 was raised for the church tower fund.



## St Peter's November Book of Remembrance

- 2nd Kate Sherwin (1994), Pamela (Pam) Parker (2022)
- 3rd Arlene Macauley (2009)
- 4th John Edwin Robinson (1916)
- 5th Elsie May Vare (2002)
- 6th William Davies (1915)
- 7th Alice Keith Chalmers (1932), Valerie Everall (1960),  
Kenneth Crabtree (1997), Harman Samuel Charlesworth (2002),  
George Cooper (2012)
- 8th Frank Bate (1950), Jonathan Green (1987)
- 9th Samuel Elkin (1954), Pamela May Whittingham (1966),  
Enid Treweek (2014), Helen Jones (2020)
- 10th Job Evanson (1968), Florrie Walker (1987)
- 12th Selina Bate (1972), Antony John Bloor (2002), Paul Hopley (2007)
- 13th John Newton (1878), John Preston (1993),  
Leonard Harry Tempest (2003), Stanley Jack Ireson (2009)
- 14th Charles Walker (1995)
- 16th William Dutton (1991), Albert Booth (1996), Alan Barry Turner (2009)
- 18th Marlene Dennell (1982)
- 19th Raymond Williams (1988), Bethany Murphy (2012)
- 20th Sarah Anne Reid (1864), Susan Mary Heath nee Ford (2007)
- 21st Robert Knowles (1950), Cyril Walker (2016)
- 22nd Wilfred Booth Walker (1973), Francis (Frank) Lyon (2002),  
Margaret Jane Price (2015)
- 23rd Barry Alfred Moulton (2010)
- 24th David Brookes (2006)
- 25th John Robinson Moreton (1957), Albert Edward Egerton (2002),  
Jack Bostock (2009)
- 26th Ada Elizabeth Moreton (1975), Horace Alma (Bob) Broad (1992),
- 27th Beryl Joyce Goldie (2008), Don Whiston (2020)
- 28th Charles Howard Chapman (1989), Joan Elizabeth Thomas (2007)
- 29th Muriel Bartlem (2007)
- 30th Doris Avril Davidson (1986), Frances Freda Broad (1991)

We give thanks for each of our loved ones whom we remembered today, for all the ways in which their lives touched ours, for the difficult as well as the good times, for the ways in which their lives and their love continue to be with us. In our sadness and with thanksgiving, we will remember them.

## News from Warmingham CE Primary School

The children in Badgers' Class (Year 5 and Year 6) have thoroughly enjoyed learning about World War II. As part of their study theme, they looked through the Headteacher's Log from 1939 to find out what happened in school. They were fascinated to find out that we had over forty evacuees from Liverpool and Manchester and how this impacted what happened in school. Three days after the evacuees arrived the school had to be closed to be fumigated. This particularly caught the children's attention. They also had the opportunity to look through the punishment book and school admissions register from that time. Once again, this led to several questions such as why didn't they stay very long – the war didn't end until 1945?

They have also enjoyed finding out about why the war started. How we started preparing for the war a year before it actually started. The major battles. How the government used propaganda to influence our decisions as well as the life of Anne Frank. The children were then given the opportunity to complete an independent piece of research. Some chose to focus on rationing, the role of women in the war, coding and the weapons used.



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# Warmingham Village News

## November Diary Dates

Wednesday 6th	W.I. meeting	7.30pm	Village Hall
Sunday 10th	Remembrance Service	11.30am	Church
Tuesday 12th	Walk `n Talk	10.30am	Middlewich

## December Diary Dates

Wednesday 11th	Carol Singing Come along and join in	6.30pm	Bear's Paw
Friday 20th	Nine Lessons & Carols	7.00pm	Church

*Every Thursday – Bellringing at the church from 7.30 - 9.00pm*

## Warmingham & District W.I.

At the meeting held on Wednesday 2nd October there was an interesting and informative talk from Nick Birchall on the "History of Cheshire Cheese".





He brought cheeses to sample.



There was a good attendance on the evening of Wednesday 16th October for the Flower Workshop hosted by Helen Williams. Members were shown how to make a buttonhole and lady's spray.







The November meeting is the Annual Meeting at which next year's committee will be formed and the President elected. This meeting is on **Wednesday 6th November** when member Gill Adlington will be demonstrating "Painting for Everyone". The competition title is "Art".

The December meeting is on **Wednesday 4th** when there will be "A Festive Tour of the World" by the Ukelele Lady.

Warmingham W.I. and friends have booked the Christmas Lunch for **Monday 9th December** at the Legs of Man.

The next meeting of the **Book Group** is on Monday 18th November when the book to be discussed is The Memory Man by David Baldacci.



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

The **Darts Group** meet at the Market Tavern in Sandbach on Monday lunchtimes. The first match of the season takes place on Monday 4th November when Warmingham Taverners will play Wistaston Swans at home.

Warmingham & District W.I. meets on the first Wednesday of the month in the Village Hall at 7.30pm. Visitors and new members are always welcome. For further information please ring Caroline on 01270 526022.

## **Walk 'n Talk**

There was no walk in October.

The next walk is planned for **Tuesday 12th November** when we will walk along the Trent and Mersey Canal in Middlewich and have lunch at The Big Lock pub. Meet at 206 Long Lane South, Middlewich at 10.30am.

If you wish to join the walk or just come for lunch please sign the list at W.I. or ring Helan on 01606 841711. You do not need to be a W.I. member to join this activity.

Items for the Village News should be sent to: [helan.isherwood@sky.com](mailto:helan.isherwood@sky.com)



## **St Leonard's Church Warmingham Donations to St Paul's Centre – not just food but Toys**

The church and school Harvest collection was very gratefully received at St Paul's.

Please continue to donate food items particularly as we approach Christmas and place in the box at church.

St Paul's also collect good quality second hand toys.

If you are having a sort out before Christmas please donate any toys that you have spare either directly to St Paul's Centre in Hightown, Crewe (at the back gate which is across the road from the top Asda car park) or bring to church.

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