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The magazine for the parishes of

St Peter's

Leighton-cum-Minshull Vernon



&



St Leonard's

Warmingham

“Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer.”

Romans 12:12

February 2025

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February can often be a difficult month. It is dark a lot of the time, quite often the weather is miserable, and the joy of a new year with its fresh possibilities have been replaced with the reality of the same old daily grind. The good news is that even against this backdrop there is hope.



This hope is not found in being somehow immune to the challenges that these things present, or the trials somehow disappearing from in front of us. Far from it, we are not promised easy lives without stress and strain. Rather, hope is found in the truth that we are not alone in the challenges we face. Even in the days when we find ourselves feeling isolated and abandoned we are not alone.

In Isaiah 41 we read God's Promise to his people that they are never alone

*So do not fear, for I am with you;
do not be dismayed, for I am your God.
I will strengthen you and help you;
I will uphold you with my righteous right hand. Isaiah 41:10*

When we feel alone, hope seems to fade into the wings while fear takes the spotlight. Isaiah reminds us not to fear because we are not alone. We need not be discouraged by the challenges we face because God is with us. As Paul wrote to the church in Rome

If God is for us, who can be against us? Romans 8:31

This February, with all its challenges, let us remember that God is with us. He will be the help and strength we need to get through. Let us also remember to look out for one another, God may well be using us to be that support for someone else. We may well be the break in the weather they need.

From our December Registers



Baptisms

We welcome you into the Lord's family



Weddings

Bless these thy servants



Funerals

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

St Peter's

12th James Griffiths

Springtime!

Your message of hope
to a world tiring of winter's starkness,
longing for that first crocus
to push through snow's icy blanket
and spread its leaves,
like arms outstretched,
to its creator.



Springtime!

Our yearly reminder, if we needed one,
that to a world that was dark and cold,
a world devoid of love's sweet warmth,
you sent your Son
to break through sin's icy blanket,
and, arms outstretched
on a cross, he brought us
hope.
Thank you.

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.



Monday 24th February, 7.30pm
in St Leonard's Church



Warmingham Home Group

The next meeting of the Home Group is on **Monday 24th February** at 2pm at the home of one of the members.

Please contact Helan on 01606 841711 for further details.

Ash Wednesday Joint Service

Wednesday 5th March
at 7pm in St Peter's, Minshull Vernon

Lent begins on Wednesday 5th March
and ends on Saturday 19th April 2025

DUCK DRIVE

**The Great
Warmingham Family
Duck Drive
Friday 7th 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 7th 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 to raise monies for the Wakes Queen 2025 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.

The results for Rose Queen, Attendant, Rose Bud, Crown Bearer and Bell Ringer will be announced at the Family Duck Drive on 7th March.

Wakes Queen and Attendants

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

<http://www.warminghamchurch.weebly.com>
<https://www.facebook.com/StLeonardschurchwarmingham/>

Please submit your application by
Friday 28th February to:

Amanda Richardson, Keepers Cottage, Warmingham,
Sandbach, CW11 3QP - bird.richardson@gmail.com
01270 526283 or 07771 782390

Save the date:

Warmingham Wakes 2025

Saturday 3rd May

Place: Warmingham Church Field

Time: from 1.30pm

Duck Race at 4pm

Please contact the Churchwardens for further information

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Carol Service at St. Peter's 2024

As we look forward to spring, the Carol service seems a long time ago.

We had a good turnout for our Nine Lessons and Carols, which was a lovely start to Christmas. With the church so beautifully decorated, and all the candles lit, the melodic tones of the choir soloist began the first verse of "Once in Royal David's City" joined by the full choir for the second verse, and finally the congregation for the remainder.

Throughout the service the choir sang three pieces: "Away in a Manger" (Luther's Cradle Hymn), a very lively version of "While shepherds watched", to the tune of "On Ilkeley Moor Bar t'At", and lastly, "Come and sing the Christmas story this Holy Night", which had some very relevant words.

I would personally like to thank the choir for their loyalty, dedication, and friendship, not only to me, but to our whole church. Their beautiful singing enhances the services week after week, making all those Thursday practice evenings, so worthwhile. We are incredibly lucky to have a choir at all, and I am grateful for their invaluable support, even when I am asked to play at St. Leonard's.

The service was followed by sherry and shortbread, which ended a particularly good night. Thank you to all the helpers who decorated the church, lit the candles, and served the donated drinks and gorgeous biscuits.

Ruth



St. Peter's Plough Service
Sunday 9th February
7.00pm, followed by Supper in the Hall

Used Stamps

Please could you kindly pass on any used stamps from your post to Ruth Edge. Stamps can be left in St Peter's porch. They are collected in aid of St Luke's Hospice, which I am sure you all know is a wonderful facility, but it is entirely reliant on donations. As they say, "every little helps".



Vacant Roles at St Peter's

Treasurer

We are still looking for a Treasurer for St Peter's. We are thankful to John who has kept the accounts in order while we look for a replacement. Please consider if you might be that person. If you would be interested in taking on the role of treasurer, please do talk with our Vicar Rev Paul. revpaulnorth@outlook.com

Hall Booking Secretary

The time has come for Jane our Hall Booking Secretary to step down. We pass our gratitude and thanks onto Jane for all her hard work in the role. If you feel that you have the time and skills necessary to take on this vital role please speak to our Vicar Rev Paul. revpaulnorth@outlook.com



St Peter's Community Hall, Minshull Vernon

For hall bookings please email:
mvchall@yahoo.com
Tel: 07902 936490

St Nicholas will be visiting

St Peter's Church

Leighton-cum-Minshull Vernon CW1 4RD

TABLE TENNIS

Every
Thursday
10-12

St Peter's
Community
Hall
CW1 4RD

No
experience
necessary



St Leonard's Calendar of Services / Rotas

Please check times of services carefully

Date	Times and services	Sides-persons	Altar Flowers & Brasses	Cleaning
Sunday 2nd February The Presentation of Christ in the Temple (Candlemas)	11.30am Morning Service	Janet Newton	Mrs C Whittaker	Janet and team
Sunday 9th February The 4th Sunday before Lent	11.30am Morning Prayer	Ken Newton	Mrs J Buckley	
Sunday 16th February The 3rd Sunday before Lent	11.30am Communion Service 4pm Informal Service	Nicole Archer	Mrs J Buckley	
Sunday 23rd February The 2nd Sunday before Lent	9am Holy Communion	Simon Moss	Mrs S Moss	
Sunday 2nd March The Sunday next before Lent	11.30am Morning Prayer	Jenny Sant	Mrs S Moss	

Warmingham Wakes 2025

Saturday 3rd May

Warmingham Church Field, 1.30pm onwards

St Peter's Calendar of Services

Date	Times and Services	Readings and Readers 10.45am	Readings and Readers 7pm
Sunday 2nd February The Presentation of Christ in the Temple (Candlemas)	9am HC 10.45am HC No 7pm Evensong	Hebrews 2.14-18 <i>Irene Booth</i> Luke 2.22-40	No Evensong
Sunday 9th February The 4th Sunday before Lent / Plough Service	9am HC 10.45am HC 7pm Plough Service followed by supper	1 Corinthians 15.1-11 <i>Chris Ward</i> Luke 5.1-11	Plough Service
Sunday 16th February The 3rd Sunday before Lent	9am HC 10.45am HC No 7pm Evensong	1 Corinthians 5.12-20 <i>Ruth Edge</i> Luke 6.17-26	No Evensong
Sunday 23rd February The 2nd Sunday before Lent	No 9am HC 10.45am HC 7pm Evensong followed by HC	Revelation ch.4 <i>Ben Entwistle</i> Luke 8.22-25	1 Thessalonians 3.12-4.12 <i>Ruth Edge</i> Luke 19.11-27 <i>Chris Ward</i>
Sunday 2nd March The Sunday next before Lent	9am HC 10.45am HC No 7pm Evensong	2 Corinthians 3.12-4.2 <i>Alison Bate</i> Luke 9.28-36	No Evensong

Plough Service at St Peter's
Sunday 9th February at 7pm
 followed by supper in the Hall. All welcome



St Peter's Rotas

Date	Sidespersons	Offertory	Cleaning	Altar Flowers
Sunday 2nd February The Presentation of Christ in the Temple (Candlemas)	Ben Entwistle	John Edge and Ann Hughes	Phyllis Darlington and Dorothy Riley	Shena Finch
Sunday 9th February The 4th Sunday before Lent	Philip and Gail Barnes Sandra Parkes	Philippa Goyer and Ann deRuiter	Andrew Hollinshead	Ann Hughes
Sunday 16th February The 3rd Sunday before Lent	Ben Entwistle	Paul Harvey and Ben Entwistle	Val Simcock and Paul Harvey	Ann Hughes
Sunday 23rd February The 2nd Sunday before Lent	Philip and Gail Barnes Sandra Parkes	Alan and Margaret Culshaw	Audrey Bergin	Ellen Humphrey
Sunday 2nd March The Sunday next before Lent	Ben Entwistle	John Edge and Ann Hughes	John and Ruth Edge	Ellen Humphrey



Thank you to all the volunteers at St Peter's and St Leonard's.

The heart of a volunteer is not measured in size, but by the depth of the commitment to make a difference in the lives of others.

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)
- 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)
- 29th Kath de-la-Haye (2024)

Heavenly Father,

I come before you this morning with a heart full of gratitude. Thank you for the gift of a new day, for the breath in my lungs, and for the opportunities that lie ahead. Your mercies are new every morning, and I am grateful for your unwavering love and faithfulness.

As I begin this day, I thank you for the countless blessings in my life. Thank you for my family, friends, the roof over my head, and the food on my table.

Lord, help me to approach this day with a grateful heart, recognizing your presence in every moment. May I be mindful of your blessings and generous in sharing your love with others. In Jesus' name, I pray. Amen.

News from Warmingham CE Primary School

Last September, we introduced the 'big question' worship on a Tuesday. The main theme for the week is shared with the children and staff during the whole school worship on a Monday. The children are then given a question to debate or a task to complete in their individual reflection books. On Monday each class was given a pot of snowdrops.



Snowdrops have three large outer petals and three smaller inner ones. The hardened leaf-tips of its three narrow leaves help the snowdrop break through frosty ground. The snowdrop is sometimes called 'flower of hope' because it comes so early in the year.

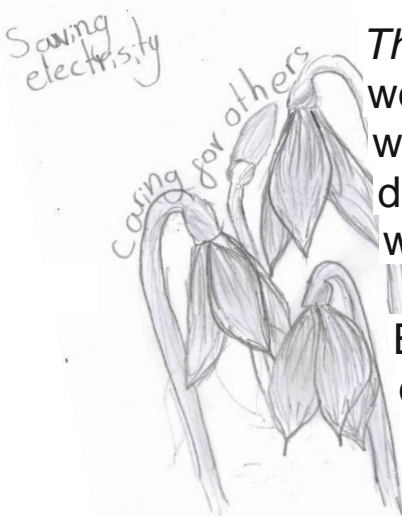
In worship we watched a clip of 'The Snowdrop' which was written by Hans Christian: it is New Year and snow lies upon the ground. Under the earth the snowdrop is snug and warm inside her bulb. A ray of winter sunshine reaches her and she grows towards the light and breaks through to the world. But the North Wind tells the snowdrop she has come out too soon - she can't possibly survive the night.

The snowdrop battles the winter weather through the night... and in the morning she is proud to be recognised as the very first flower of the New Year, a welcome reminder that winter will soon be over.

The snowdrop is a sign of new beginnings and hope, as well as a promise of good things to come. The children were asked to think about all the good things they want to do with their lives before choosing one or two things they would like to focus on this year.

Back in class the children were asked to complete some observational drawings of snowdrops in their individual reflection books. They were then asked to record the good things they hope to do this year around their pictures.

What I hope
I am are people smile every day
Help others when they need
it.
• Give time to others



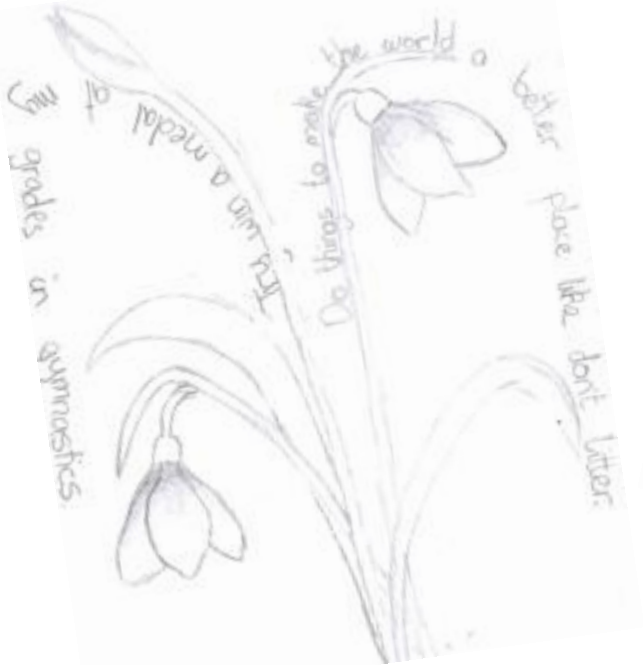
My snowdrop



What I hope to do this Year

- encourage my brother to be braver at some thing.
- give up time for others
- make someone smile each day
- stop food waste
- raise money for a charity

This year!



ST PETER'S AND ST LEONARD'S

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Warmingham Village News

February Diary Dates

Wednesday 5th	W.I. meeting	7.30pm	Village Hall
Tuesday 11th	Walk 'n Talk	10.00am	Village Hall

Warmingham & District W.I.

The January meeting was cancelled due to the wintry weather.

The next meeting will be on **Wednesday 5th February** in the Village Hall with a 7.30pm start. On this occasion there will be a visit by Nanette Davis from Vale Royal Falconry who will be bringing some owls along. The competition is "Animals".

The next meeting of the **Book Group** is on **Monday 10th February** when the book to be discussed is Sula by Toni Morrison.

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 March meeting will be on Wednesday 5th March.

Warmingham & District W.I. usually 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 contact Sue Hill by email: wiwarmingham@gmail.com

Walk 'n Talk

For the February walk on **Tuesday 11th February** please meet on the Village Hall car park 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.

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Warmingham Wakes

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

Would you like to enter the Warmingham Wakes as the Queen, one of her Attendants, Rose Buds, Crown Bearer or Bell Ringer? If so, 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:

Please submit your application by **Friday 28th February** to:
Amanda Richardson, Keepers Cottage, Warmingham, Sandbach,
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