

SHROVE TUESDAY FEBRUARY 13TH - 6.00 PM - Pancake Party in the church. As there are no cooking facilities in the church I am looking for people to prepare a batch (about 10) of pancakes in advance. Please sign the notice in church, or let me know if you are able to help in this way. Those attending the party will bring their own fillings. Gill Hunt (853707)

A delightful **opportunity for people living with Dementia** and their carers. Please let anyone living locally with Dementia, and their carers know about the informal Concert which the Mayor is hosting especially for them. Tea will be served and some of the music will be to sing along to, (we know that singing is good for the brain.) The concert will be on Sunday 11th February, at 3 p.m. in the Town Hall. The cost is an optional donation. To book, phone the Town Hall on 852420. We are grateful to the mayor for his kindness. Jill Sellgren.

WELDMAR SNOWDROP MEMORIAL SERVICE is on Monday 12 February, Bell Street, 3 pm

CHRISTIAN AID LENT LUNCHESS IN THE TOWN HALL - these begin on Friday 16th February from 12 noon until 1.30 p.m. The last one is on Friday 23rd March.

CHRISTIAN AID LENT LUNCHESS St Peter's is hosting the first one on Friday 16th February 12.00 - 1.30 in the Town Hall. The following help is needed.

- Monetary contributions for the purchase of provisions or donation from those who would like to support but are unable to attend
- Items for the bring and buy stall
- Home-made soup in 1 gallon (4.5 litres) or 1/2 gallon quantities
- Help on the day between 10.30 - 2.00 moving furniture serving the lunches, washing up etc

Please sign the list on the notice board to indicate any help that you are able to offer or speak to Gill Hunt (853707)

TEAM SERVICE FOR ASH WEDNESDAY at Motcombe, 7pm Wednesday 14th February.

HAROLD JACKSON is leaving us, for personal reasons, his last Sunday with us will be on February 24th and there is a collection being taken for a farewell gift if anyone would like to contribute.

THE CHURCHES TOGETHER LENT GROUPS are a good opportunity to meet with Christians of other denominations to reflect on and talk about the faith we share, as well as pray together. The list of available groups is displayed at the back of church so why not sign up today? The groups take place at various times on different days and start during the week beginning 19th February for five weeks. The cost of the course book, "On the Third Day" by Rev John Pritchard, is £5. Books will be available at, or before, the first session. Contact Elizabeth Preston if you need more details - 01747 850654



THE SHAFTESBURY TEAM

St Peter's Church, Shaftesbury

Notice Sheet

Worshipping Christ with others, Taking Christ to others,
Serving Christ in others, Bringing others to Christ

Sunday 4th February – Second Sunday before Lent
9.30am Family Service (Childrens Society Box Collection)

Sunday 11th February – Next before Lent
8.00am Holy Communion BCP
9.30am Parish Communion
Readings: 2 Kings 2.1-12 2 Corinthians 4.3-6 Mark 9.2-9
Readers: Sam Skey and Sarah Potts Intercessor: Mindy Bennett

Sunday 18th February – First Sunday of Lent
9.30am Parish Communion
Readings: Genesis 9.8-17 1 Peter 3.18-22 Mark 1.9-15
Readers: David and Margaret Pearson Intercessor: Ann Dennis

If you are new to St Peter's or visiting today, please make yourself known to one of our team so that we might get to know you better

The Diary Please see our calendar on our website ShaftesburyCofE.org.uk/stpeters

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| Mon - Fri | 8.30am | Morning Prayer |
| Wednesday | 10.30am | Holy Communion |

FEBRUARY

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| Thu 8 th | 10.30am | Little Fishes |
| Sat 10 th | 8.30am | Mens Breakfast |
| Mon 12 th | 11.00am | Funeral of Kathleen Parker |
| Tue 13 th | 6.00pm | Pancake Party |
| Wed 14 th | 12noon | Funeral of Marion Purser |
| Sat 17 th | 10.30am | Doughnut Time |
| Thu 22 nd | 10.30am | Little Fishes |
| Sun 25 th | 3.00pm | Baptism Service (Lily Streets) |

Team Office is open Monday – Friday 9.00am - 12.00pm
Tel: 853060 E: office@shaftesburycofe.org.uk www.shaftesburycofe.org.uk
Please email items for the notice sheet to the office by 12noon Thursday

Collect

Eternal God, give us insight to discern your will for us, to give up what harms us,
and to seek the perfection we are promised in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

First Reading Proverbs 8.1, 22-31

Does not wisdom call,
and does not understanding raise her voice?
The Lord created me at the beginning of his work,
the first of his acts of long ago.
Ages ago I was set up,
at the first, before the beginning of the earth.
When there were no depths I was brought forth,
when there were no springs abounding with water.
Before the mountains had been shaped,
before the hills, I was brought forth—
when he had not yet made earth and fields,
or the world's first bits of soil.
When he established the heavens, I was there,
when he drew a circle on the face of the deep,
when he made firm the skies above,
when he established the fountains of the deep,
when he assigned to the sea its limit,
so that the waters might not transgress his command,
when he marked out the foundations of the earth,
then I was beside him, like a master worker;
and I was daily his delight,
rejoicing before him always,
rejoicing in his inhabited world
and delighting in the human race.

Gospel Reading John 1.1-14

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

For the sick: Janet Grant, Derek Brown; for all residents in our local care and nursing homes and for the staff there who care for them.

For those who have died. Marion Purser. Kathleen Parker.

For our community.

For the world: For all places where there is conflict and in particular for Syria, Turkey, Iraq, and the Middle East for peace and concern for all people.

For the Contact of St Peter's & St James' Churches with the Episcopal Church of South Sudan.
