

St Peter's Church Bishopsworth

***Focused on Christ,
caring for each other
and serving the community***



Spiritual reflection for July from Stephen Thomas

Where have those months gone. The holidays we were looking forward to, are here. Unfortunately, the Summer weather hasn't caught up.

Let us take a minute to think about our School Children. They may be starting work. They may be changing Schools. They may just be moving up a year. During teenage years, there are many hormone changes. Therefore, let us be more tolerant toward them. They are going through a lot of changes. Just think, what it was like for us.

Have you Friends starting work, changing jobs, losing their job, starting retirement. Have you Friends with an illness, an injury, a long term problem, mental or physical, in or out of hospital. Have you Relatives or friends, unseen for a period of time. Have you recently come across someone with an aggressive or withdrawn personality. Take time to talk with them. We must endeavour to put good food in our bodies. We must also put good thoughts and good words into our hearts.

This month let us try to slow down and "smell the roses". Let us endeavour to be more tolerant. Accept people as they are, and not argue over small differences of opinion. We now have a new Government. They will be with us for a few years. Allow them to run the Country and in a year from now, we should have an idea of their effectiveness, but don't criticize their actions peace meal. You can only comment on their actions, after giving them an opportunity, and changes have been made. Sometimes, "we act in haste and repent at leisure". Give people a chance.

I honestly believe all people are inherently good, I need them to disprove me, before I change my opinion. Occasionally, I had my figures burned, but

often they exceed my expectations. That applies to people from all walks of life from every Country in the World. Remember, God created us in his image, we are all perfect. We are all unique and we all react differently to the same set of circumstances. Even in the Bible; The first four books of the new testament comment on the same event(s), but report each event slightly differently. They each report in their own style, highlighting the things important to them. Meaning each account though similar is not identical.

I am confident when you come to our Church, join us and see if we meet your expectations. You will meet new people with a similar, background to yourself. Or join our Coffee Pot for pre school children. Or enter the SPARC – soft play centre and enjoy a cup of tea with the infants climbing around. Or getting to grips with Jesus’ Life by joining a Church house group. You will find a genuine warm welcome. I look forward to making your acquaintance.

What’s on at St Peter’s this week?

<p>Sunday 7th July</p>	<p>10:30am Café Church <i>We are looking forward to welcoming families from Year 6 at St Peter’s School to this service!</i></p>
<p>Tuesday 9th July</p>	<p>9:30am Holy Communion in Church 10am Coffee Morning in Church Hall</p>

News

James’ Ordination

On Saturday 29th June James was ordained as a Priest at Bristol Cathedral - congratulations James!



Messy Church Café

A huge thank you to the families who have attended Messy Church Café over the last academic year. It has been wonderful to explore Biblical themes a little deeper with you and to grow in our journey of discipleship.

Messy Church

Our final Messy Church of the academic year is on Saturday 20th July. We can't wait to see you there! Please book your places using the following link: www.bookwhen.com/stpetersmessychurch

You are warmly invited to...



@ St Peter's,
Bishopsworth

Saturday 20th July
10am – midday

St Peter's Church, Church Road, BS13 8JR

This month's theme is
Can I trust God?
A new direction



Come and join us for a morning of **all-age crafts, activities, worship** and a **meal**. We can't wait to see you there!

Pre-booking is essential. Please book your places here:
<https://bookwhen.com/stpetersmessychurch>

For more information please contact:
info@stpetersbishopsworth.co.uk

Bishop Viv visiting St Peter's

A date for your diaries - we will be welcoming the Bishop of Bristol, Bishop Viv, who is coming to lead and preach at our service on Sunday 21st July. All welcome!

The Ark @ SPARC

Our soft play centre and café is a really important part of our Church mission to focus on Christ, care for each other and serve the community so please do pop by and support Monday to Saturday. They are currently running a party promotion for parties in July and August – please see below for more details.



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For July and August.

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exclusive hire, food, drinks
and party bags!!

To book: CALL
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Coffee Pot

If you are interested in joining our Wednesday morning toddler group please complete the form available on the Church website.

Prayer Diary (7th – 13th July)

SUN	<i>Creator God, you made us all in your image: may we discern you in all that we see, and serve you in all that we do; through Jesus Christ our Lord.</i>
MON	Pray for those on our church Prayer List that God will touch and heal them in all their troubles.
TUE	Pray for Claire and all the helpers at the Ark.
WED	Pray for our Strategic Finance and Property Committee in all the practical decisions they make to maintain our church buildings and finances.
THU	Pray for our Bible study groups as we share fun, fellowship and faith together.
FRI	Thank God for the creative gifts of the flower team who beautify our church week by week.
SAT	Pray for the children who come to Sparclers that they will all grow in faith and understanding as they learn more about Jesus.

Services next week

Sunday 14th July	10:30am Morning Worship <i>Our Sunday School, Sparclers, will run in the soft play centre during this service.</i>
Tuesday 16th July	9:30am Holy Communion in Church 10am Coffee Morning in Church Hall
Saturday 20th July	10am Messy Church Book places here: www.bookwhen.com/stpetersmessychurch

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