
THE CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday 6th April

- 9:30am Musicians' Rehearsal (*church*)
10:00am Pre-Service Prayer Meeting (*church*)
10:30am Communion Service (*church*)

*Most church activities are taking a break
this week, as the Easter holidays begin*

Palm Sunday (13th April)

- 9:00am BCP Communion (*church*)
9:30am Musicians' Rehearsal (*church*)
10:00am Pre-Service Prayer Meeting (*church*)
10:30am Morning Service (*church*)

Monday 14th April

- 12 noon Church Prayer Meeting (*church*)
6:00pm Standing Committee (*vicarage*)
8:00pm Church Prayer Meeting (*online*)

Maundy Thursday (17th April)

- 7:00pm Communion Service (*church*)

Good Friday (18th April)

- 10:30am Messy Church (*hall*)
2:00pm Songs of Calvary (*church*)

Easter Day (20th April)

- 9:30am Musicians' Rehearsal (*church*)
10:00am Pre-Service Prayer Meeting (*church*)
10:30am Family Communion Service (*church*)

The full church calendar is available on the website via
<https://stpeterscolchester.org/whats-on/>

NAMES & CONTACT DETAILS

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[the Vicar is away on annual leave until Friday 11th April]
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St Peter's Update

Sunday 6th April 2025

A NOTE FROM THE VICAR

Dear Friends,

As the Easter holidays begin, *St Peter's Kids* will be moving onto their Holiday Club programme. This gives the kids something different to look forward to on Sundays, but also means that our regular team of SPK leaders get a short break after all their work this term!

For the younger kids in the Church Hall, we may need to ask a parent from each family group to be available to assist (to help keep our ratios of adults:kids safe) - so please be prepared for that, if necessary.

Meanwhile, let me take this opportunity now to thank all those who have been involved in SPK this term - as SPK Leaders, as SPK Helpers, and in all the admin that goes on behind the scenes. As a church, we are really grateful for all you've been doing. Enjoy your break!

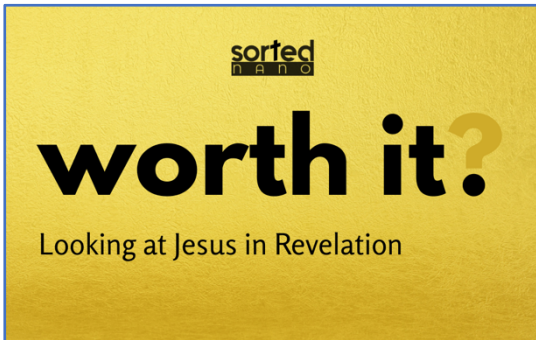
With best wishes,



CHURCH PRAYER MEETINGS

Our Church Prayer Meetings continue on Monday 14th April. Now that the weather is warming up, the 'in-person' meeting at 12 noon will be in church (and not at the Vicarage), while the evening 'online' meeting continues to be via Zoom at 8pm (the log-in will be advertised on the Church WhatsApp group). Both meetings will last for about 35 minutes, and everyone is welcome.

The dates of the Church Prayer Meetings through the spring and early summer are: 5th May, 19th May, 2nd June, and 16th June.



SORTED NANO - for 11-14s

Sorted Nano is a day out for youth groups (11-14s) and their leaders on Saturday 10th May, from 10:30am until 2:30pm, at St Helen's Bishopsgate in London. This year, Sorted Nano will be looking at Jesus in Revelation, with Carl Laferton, as we think through why living as a Christian is worth it. Tickets are just £8 for a great day of Bible teaching, sung worship, games and more - all pointing young people to our great Saviour, Jesus.

ANNUAL CHURCH MEETINGS

Our Annual Church Meetings will be on Wednesday 7th May, starting at 7:30pm in church. As well as the presentation of the church's Annual Report and Accounts, along with the opportunity for questions, we will be electing two Churchwardens (to serve for the coming year) and, probably, four PCC members (to serve a three-year term). Nomination forms are available at the back of church, or on request from the Church Office.

*NB. The right to vote, nominate, or stand for election is dependent upon being a member of the church's Electoral Roll for 2025. **If you haven't submitted your application form for the Electoral Roll, and are eligible, please do so as soon as possible.***

NEWS, NOTICES & REMINDERS...

- Please note that the Vicar will be on Annual Leave until Friday 11th April. Meanwhile, the Church Office will be closed for Easter from Friday 11th April until Tuesday 29th April. Alternative church contacts are outlined overleaf.
- The next 'Coffee and Chat' will be on Wednesday 16th April, at 10:15am, at the Mercury Theatre Café (and then again on Wednesday 14th May).
- The process of renewing the church's Electoral Roll is now almost complete. Applications can be completed online via the link, or via the paper Application Forms available in church on Sunday (which should then be returned to the Electoral Roll Officer's box file at the back of church). The official deadline for returns is Easter Day.
- The Church Library has recently re-opened at the back of church (north side). Do please take a look, and see if you would like to borrow something - all free of charge...
- Drinking water is available at the back of church, from the machine beside the font.
- We livestream our Morning Service via YouTube; please connect via the link in the Church WhatsApp group, that will be posted just before the beginning of the service. The livestream continues to be shown in the Family Room.
- Please note that we do not take up a collection during the service. If you would like to make a donation to support the work of the church, you can do so via the card reader (or, for cash, the wooden box) at the back of church.

EASTER CARDS FOR SALE

If you will be sending Easter cards this year, or need some other Christian greetings cards, then Andy Lawn has some of his own designs for sale at the back of the church. They are £1 each, or 3 for £2. Alternatively, you can shop online via ajlcreativedesigns.etsy.com

