

# **Diary of Events 2023**



## **The Parish Church of St Peter & St Paul Rustington**

Registered Charity 1133812

We hope you will find this church diary a help when planning your coming year. Some of the dates will be subject to change and confirmation, so please keep an eye on our social media, and the weekly email and notice sheet. Details of events and services also appear in good time in Seasight magazine. Do contact the office if you'd like to subscribe to those.

Hopefully this will at least give us an idea of what might be coming up!

As we go along, we may also add things – particularly activities and services for children, and we will be looking for help with running socials and fundraisers. So, if you'd like to get involved with anything we do, please speak to one of the Clergy or a Church Warden.

Likewise, if there's anything which seems a mystery to you (!) please do get in touch. Contact details are on the reverse of this booklet.

This year we will be having two 'Sabbath weeks.'

During these times there will be no church meetings or events – just worship. If you coordinate a group or area of church life, we politely ask you to stick to this please and do not schedule anything! This will make sure we all have time to catch up, reflect and prayerfully review.

You may also like to look ahead and see if there's anything you could bring a neighbour or friend to? Like most activities in life, churches grow when people are invited, and it's through us that people receive Jesus' invitation to follow him and receive life in all its fullness!

In the meantime, we pray that along with this planning, we will never forget that the wind of the Spirit of God blows where she wills, and we stay alert to being sent off course and into the adventures God has in store!

I look forward, immensely, to this year with you all in our partnership in the gospel. With very many blessings,

*Natalie*

(Vicar)

I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. Ephesians 1:16

## Regular activities

Mondays	9.00 am 9.30 am	Morning Prayer Parish Prayer
Tuesdays	12.30 pm 4.30 pm	Noah's Ark (church hall) term time only Bolders (church hall) term time only
Wednesdays	9.00 am 10.00 am 11.00 am	Morning Prayer Coffee break (church hall) Holy Communion
		Pantry 1 <sup>st</sup> Wednesday 4.00 – 6.00 pm Pantry 2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday 8.30 – 10.00 am Pantry 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday 4.00 pm – 6.00 pm with Pantry Social Pantry 4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday 10.00 am – 12.00 noon Pantry 5 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday 10.00 am – 12.00 noon
	7.30 pm	Men's fellowship (church hall) (First Wednesday of the month)
	7.30 pm	Waffle (church hall) (Second Wednesday of the month)
Thursdays	9.00 am	Morning Prayer
Fridays	7.00 pm	Choir practice or Music Group
Saturdays	Monthly	"Footsteps" walks
Sundays	8.30 am 10.00 am 11.45 am  6.00 pm	Holy Communion Sung Eucharist with children's activities 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday – All Age Communion 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday – Friendship Lunches (church hall)  Occasional Evening Services as advertised

## **FEBRUARY**

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> 7.30 pm Men's fellowship (church hall)

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup>  
3<sup>rd</sup> before Lent** 8.30 am Holy Communion  
10.00 am All Age Communion  
11.45 am Holy Communion

Friendship lunch (church hall)

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> 7.30 pm Waffle (church hall)

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup>  
2<sup>nd</sup> before Lent** 8.30 am Holy Communion  
10.00 am Sung Eucharist  
**Safeguarding Sunday**

<i>Monday 13<sup>th</sup></i>		<i>Half term</i>
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 am	Holiday Gathering
<b>Sunday 19<sup>th</sup></b>	8.30 am	Holy Communion
<b>Next before Lent</b>	10.00 am	Sung Eucharist
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup>	7.00 pm	PCC (church hall)
Shrove Tuesday		
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	11.00 am	Holy Communion with imposition of ashes
Ash Wednesday	7.30 pm	Holy Communion with imposition of ashes
Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 am	Quiet Morning
<b>Sunday 26<sup>th</sup></b>	8.30 am	Holy Communion
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent</b>	10.00 am	Sung Eucharist
	3.00 pm	Service to remember our loved ones followed by tea and cake
<b>MARCH</b>		
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup>	7.30 pm	Men's fellowship (church hall)
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	10.30 am	World Day of Prayer (Methodist church)
Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 am	Churches together in Rustington (CtR) Lent Course
<b>Sunday 5<sup>th</sup></b>	8.30 am	Holy Communion
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent</b>	10.00 am	All Age Communion
	11.45 am	Holy Communion
		Friendship Lunch
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup>	7.30 pm	Waffle (church hall)
Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 am	CtR Lent Course
<b>Sunday 12<sup>th</sup></b>	8.30 am	Holy Communion
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent</b>	10.00 am	Sung Eucharist
Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 am	CtR Lent Course
<b>Sunday 19<sup>th</sup></b>	8.30 am	Holy Communion
<b>Mothering Sunday</b>	10.00 am	Sung Eucharist
Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 am	CtR Lent Course
		Bake and Brew (church hall)

<b>Sunday 26<sup>th</sup></b>	8.30 am	Holy Communion
<b>Passiontide begins</b>	10.00 am	Sung Eucharist
	3.00 pm	Home Groups get together
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup>	12.30 pm	Noah's Ark with Easter Worship
	7.00 pm	PCC (church hall)
<i>Friday 31<sup>st</sup></i>		<i>Term ends</i>
<b>APRIL</b>		
Saturday 1 <sup>st</sup>	10.30 am	CtR Lent Course
<b>Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	8.30 am	Holy Communion
<b>Palm Sunday</b>	10.00 am	Sung Eucharist
	11.45 am	Holy Communion
		Friendship lunch (church hall)
	6.00 pm	Taizé Evening Service
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	7.30 pm	Compline and Talk
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup>	12.00 noon	Chrism Mass (St Mary's, Horsham)
	7.30 pm	Compline and Talk
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup>	7.30 pm	Men's fellowship (church hall) tbc.
	7.30 pm	Compline and Talk
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Holiday gathering and worship
Maundy Thursday	7.30 pm	Liturgy of Maundy Thursday and vigil until 9.30 pm
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 am	Walk of Witness (URC church)
Good Friday	1.30 pm	Liturgy of Good Friday
Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup>	8.00 pm	Easter Vigil Service
<b>Sunday 9<sup>th</sup></b>	8.30 am	Holy Communion
<b>Easter Sunday</b>	10.00 am	Celebration Communion
		Easter Lunch (church hall)
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	7.30 pm	Waffle (church hall)
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 am	Holiday Gathering
<b>Sunday 16<sup>th</sup></b>	8.30 am	Holy Communion
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter</b>	10.00 am	Sung Eucharist
<i>Monday 17<sup>th</sup></i>		<i>School starts</i>
<b>Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	8.30 am	Holy Communion

<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter</b>	10.00 am	Sung Eucharist
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup>	7.00 pm	APCM with bring and share meal
<b>Sunday 30<sup>th</sup></b>	8.30 am	Holy Communion
<b>Vocations Sunday</b>	10.00 am	Sung Eucharist with commissioning of the new PCC
	3.00 pm	Welcome afternoon (Vicarage)
	6.00 pm	Evensong

## MAY

Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	7.30 pm	Men's fellowship
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup>		Social - Coronation Event
Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup>		<i>Coronation of King Charles III</i>
<b>Sunday 7<sup>th</sup></b>	8.30 am	Holy Communion
<b>5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</b>	10.00 am	All Age Holy Communion
	11.45 am	Holy Communion
		Friendship lunch (church hall)
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup>		<i>Bank holiday</i>
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup>	7.30 pm	Waffle (church hall)
<b>Sunday 14<sup>th</sup></b>	8.30 am	Holy Communion
<b>Rogation</b>	10.00 am	Sung Eucharist
<b>Christian Aid week</b>	12.00 noon	Rogation Walk

### Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May to Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> May inclusive: Sabbath Week

Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup>	7.30 pm	Sung Eucharist
Ascension Day		
<b>Sunday 21<sup>st</sup></b>	8.30 am	Holy Communion
<b>Sunday after</b>	10.00 am	Sung Eucharist
<b>Ascension</b>		
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	7.00 pm	PCC (church hall)
Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup>		Big Church Festival Day
<b>Sunday 28<sup>th</sup></b>	8.30 am	Holy Communion
<b>Pentecost</b>	10.00 am	Sung Eucharist
	6.00 pm	Healing Service
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup>		<i>Half term begins</i>

## JUNE

Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup>	10.30 am	Holiday Gathering
<b>Sunday 4<sup>th</sup></b> <b>Trinity Sunday</b>	8.30 am 10.00 am 11.45 am	Holy Communion All Age Holy Communion Holy Communion
		Friendship lunch (church hall)
<i>Monday 5<sup>th</sup></i>		<i>Schools start back</i>
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup>	7.30 pm	Men's fellowship (church hall)
	7.00 pm	Alpha Course
<b>Sunday 11<sup>th</sup></b> <b>Barnabas</b>	8.30 am 10.00 am 6.00 pm	Holy Communion Sung Eucharist Evensong
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup>		Waffle – outing tba
	7.00 pm	Alpha Course
<b>Sunday 18<sup>th</sup></b> <b>2<sup>nd</sup> after Trinity</b> <b>(Father's Day)</b>	8.30 am 10.00 am	Holy Communion Sung Eucharist
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	7.00 pm	PCC (church hall)
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup>	7.00 pm	Alpha Course
<b>Sunday 25<sup>th</sup></b> <b>Patronal Festival</b>	8.30 am 10.00 am	Holy Communion Sung Eucharist
	12.00 noon	Social – Church barbecue
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup>	7.00 pm	Alpha Course

## JULY

<b>Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup></b> <b>4<sup>th</sup> after Trinity</b>	8.30 am 10.00 am 11.45 am	Holy Communion All Age Holy Communion Holy Communion
		Friendship lunch (church hall)
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup>	7.30 pm	Men's fellowship (church hall)
	7.00 pm	Alpha Course
<b>Sunday 9<sup>th</sup></b> <b>Sea Sunday</b>	8.30 am 11.00 am	Holy Communion Outdoor Communion Service

Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	7.30 pm	Waffle (church hall)
	7.00 pm	Alpha Course
Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 am	End of Alpha Course gathering
<b>Sunday 16<sup>th</sup></b> <b>6<sup>th</sup> after Trinity</b>	8.30 am 10.00 am	Holy Communion Sung Eucharist with commissioning of worship teams
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	7.00 pm	PCC (church hall)
<i>Friday 21<sup>st</sup></i>		<i>End of school year</i>
Saturday 22 <sup>nd</sup>		Summer Fayre (church hall)
<b>Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup></b> <b>7<sup>th</sup> after Trinity</b>	8.30 am 10.00 am 6.00 pm	Holy Communion Sung Eucharist Worship evening
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 am	Holiday Gathering
<b>Sunday 30<sup>th</sup></b> <b>8<sup>th</sup> after Trinity</b> <b>AUGUST</b>	8.30 am 10.00 am	Holy Communion Sung Eucharist
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	7.30 pm	Men's fellowship (church hall)
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	10.30 am	Holiday Gathering
<b>Sunday 6<sup>th</sup></b> <b>Transfiguration</b>	8.30 am 10.00 am 11.45 am	Holy Communion All Age Holy Communion Holy Communion
		Friendship lunch (church hall)
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup>		Waffle outing - tba
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 am	Holiday Gathering
<b>Sunday 13<sup>th</sup></b> <b>10<sup>th</sup> after Trinity</b>	8.30 am 10.00 am	Holy Communion Sung Eucharist
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 am	Holiday Gathering
<b>Sunday 20<sup>th</sup></b> <b>11<sup>th</sup> after Trinity</b>	8.30 am 10.00 am	Holy Communion Sung Eucharist
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 am	Holiday Gathering
<b>Sunday 27<sup>th</sup></b> <b>12<sup>th</sup> after Trinity</b>	8.30 am 10.00 am	Holy Communion Sung Eucharist
Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup>		Children's Holiday Club



Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> Children's Holiday Club

Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> Children's Holiday Club

## SEPTEMBER

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> Children's Holiday Club

**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup>** 8.30 am Holy Communion  
**13<sup>th</sup> after Trinity** 10.00 am Holiday Club All Age Communion  
with backpack blessing  
11.45 am Holy Communion

Friendship lunch (church hall)

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> School starts

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> 7.30 pm Men's fellowship (church hall)

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup>** 8.30 am Holy Communion  
**14<sup>th</sup> after Trinity** 10.00 am Sung Eucharist  
3.00 pm Civic Service (tbc)

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> 7.00 pm PCC (church hall)

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> 7.30 pm Waffle (church hall)

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> Church family day out

**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup>** 8.30 am Holy Communion  
**15<sup>th</sup> after Trinity** 10.00 am Sung Eucharist  
with commissioning of Pastoral teams

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> 7.00 pm Study Course

**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup>** 8.30 am Holy Communion  
**16<sup>th</sup> after Trinity** 10.00 am Sung Eucharist  
6.00 pm Songs of Praise

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> 7.00 pm Study Course

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> Social – Harvest supper and quiz

## OCTOBER

**Sunday 1<sup>st</sup>** 8.30 am Holy Communion  
**Harvest Festival** 10.00 am All Age Holy Communion  
Friendship lunch (church hall)

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> 7.00 pm Study Course

Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup>	7.30 pm	Men's fellowship (church hall)
<b>Sunday 8<sup>th</sup></b>	8.30 am	Holy Communion
<b>Generosity Sunday</b>	10.00 am	Sung Eucharist
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup>	7.00 pm	Study Course
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	7.30 pm	Waffle (church hall)
Saturday 14 <sup>th</sup>		Bake and Brew (church hall)
<b>Sunday 15<sup>th</sup></b>	8.30 am	Holy Communion
<b>19<sup>th</sup> after Trinity</b>	10.00 am	Sung Eucharist
<b>Generosity response</b>	6.00 pm	Evensong
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup>	7.00 pm	Study Course
<b>Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	8.30 am	Holy Communion
<b>20<sup>th</sup> after Trinity</b>	10.00 am	Sung Eucharist
<b>Mission Sunday</b>	12 noon	Shared Lunch
<i>Monday 23<sup>d</sup></i>		<i>Half term starts</i>
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup>	7.00 pm	Study Course
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 am	Holiday Gathering
<b>Sunday 29<sup>th</sup></b>	8.30 am	Holy Communion
<b>Bible Sunday</b>	10.00 am	Sung Eucharist
<b>NOVEMBER</b>		
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup>	7.30 pm	Men's fellowship (church hall)
<b>Sunday 5<sup>th</sup></b>	8.30 am	Holy Communion
<b>All Saints</b>	10.00 am	All Age Holy Communion
<b>&amp; All Souls</b>		Friendship lunch (church hall)
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup>	7.30 pm	Waffle (church hall)
<b>Sunday 12<sup>th</sup></b>	9.45 am	Remembrance Sunday Service
<b>Remembrance Sunday</b>	6.00 pm	Informal Communion
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup>	7.00 pm	PCC (church hall)
<b>Sunday 19<sup>th</sup></b>	8.30 am	Holy Communion
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> before Advent</b>	10.00 am	Sung Eucharist
	3.00 pm	Welcome afternoon (Vicarage)
Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup>		Christmas Social Event

<b>Sunday 26<sup>th</sup></b>	8.30 am	Holy Communion
<b>Christ the King</b>	10.00 am	Sung Eucharist

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November to Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December inclusive: Sabbath Week

**DECEMBER**

Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	10.00 am	Quiet Morning
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<b>Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	8.30 am	Holy Communion
<b>Advent Sunday</b>	10.00 am	All Age Holy Communion

Friendship lunch

	6.00 pm	Advent Evening Service
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Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	7.30 pm	Men's fellowship (church hall)
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Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup>	2.00 pm	Carols and Cakes
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<b>Sunday 10<sup>th</sup></b>	8.30 am	Holy Communion
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> of Advent</b>	10.00 am	Sung Eucharist
	4.00 pm	Christingle Service

Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup>	7.30 pm	Waffle (church hall)
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Friday 15<sup>th</sup> *School term finishes*

<b>Sunday 17<sup>th</sup></b>	8.30 am	Holy Communion
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> of Advent</b>	10.00 am	Sung Eucharist
	6.00 pm	Carol Service

Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	4.00pm	Pantry Christmas Party
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<b>Sunday 24<sup>th</sup></b>	10.00 am	Holy Communion with hymns
<b>Christmas Eve</b>	4.00 pm	Crib Service
	11.30 pm	Midnight Mass

<b>Monday 25<sup>th</sup></b>	8.30 am	Holy Communion
<b>Christmas Day</b>	10.00 am	Celebration Communion

Christmas Lunch (church hall)

<b>Sunday 31<sup>st</sup></b>	8.30 am	Holy Communion
<b>1<sup>st</sup> of Christmas</b>	10.00 am	Sung Eucharist

As we move ahead through this year, we pray together:

God of Mission,  
who alone brings growth to your Church,

Send your Holy Spirit to give  
vision to our planning,  
wisdom to our actions,  
and power to our witness.  
Help our church to grow in numbers,  
in spiritual commitment to you,  
and in service to our local communities.  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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For more information about what is happening at St Peter & St Paul Rustington, please scan the QR code with your smart phone to access our web site.



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