The Parish Church of Water Orton

Sunday

15th November

Welcome to

Saint Peter & Saint Paul's

Our Vision:

To prepare a community to meet the Christ

Our Mission:

To worship God, grow believers and make believers

Our Values:

Word, Worship, Welcome and Wisdom



15th November – 2nd Sunday before Advent

Today's Readings:

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Matthew 25:14-30

This Week's Collect Prayer

Heavenly Lord,
you long for the world's salvation:
stir us from apathy,
restrain us from excess
and revive in us new hope
that all creation will one day be healed
in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

Welcoming Prayer

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 community.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

Today

9.00 am	Holy Communion
11.00 am	Contemporary Worship (with children's groups)

Next Sunday 22nd of November

9.00 am	Holy Communion
11.00 am	Contemporary Worship (with children's groups)

Please Pray…



For the residents of Digby Close

Father,
Creation sings of your majesty. Created in your image, we are a direct reflection of you. Every good thing comes from you; every note of love and goodness we feel and extend is rooted in your great love for us. You created us to love and be loved. Help us to find the good in every person you place in our lives and on our paths: you are not a God of coincidence.

You watch over us, encourage us and love us perfectly. You are faithful to hear us and answer our prayers. Father, we are in awe of how you orchestrate the days of our lives. We are each unique, and your plan for each one of us is unique. Help us to recognize your image in one other and to love others as you love them. The Great Commission, to spread the gospel, starts with love.
Amen.

"All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."
Matthew 28:18-20

Volunteer required to look after the small church back garden (between the Robert Lloyd Room and the Vestry). Please see Mark or Kim if you would like to help.

This week…

Tuesday

9.30-11.30 am	**Café** in the Robert Lloyd room - the church is also open for the Food Bank
10.00 am	Morning Prayer- Common Worship on Zoom & in church
7.30 pm	PCC meet in the Robert Lloyd Room

Wednesday

10.00 am	Holy Communion in church and on Zoom
7.30 pm	Music Group

Thursday

7.30 pm	Choir

Friday

12 for 12.30	Meet & Eat at The Link

Saturday

10.00 am	The church is open for the Food Bank & for private prayer

Future Dates

Tuesday the 3rd - Tuesday the 24th of November – The Poppies will be on display in church and can be seen when the church is open.

Up to 22nd November for Ukraine Food Appeal. Produce wanted:- toiletries, cold and flu medications, canned food (meat, fish, custard, fruit), chocolate, peanut butter, dry biscuits, instant coffee, tea bags, dates, figs, raisins, instant noodles or mashed potatoes (requiring only boiling water) as well as monetary donations for purchasing fresh meat for cooking. (There is also a constant urgent need for special fabric to make camouflage nets).

Sunday 29th November 3pm - Advent Concert. Church lights switched on. **SOLD OUT.**

Thursday 3rd - Friday 4th December - Christmas through the Keyhole. This is a chance for children from the Primary School to visit church and have an interactive experience of the Christmas Story. In order for this to work, we need plenty of volunteers: to help set up on the Wednesday; to help with tours on the day; provide refreshments and run simple craft activities for the children.

Please speak to Kim if you can help in any way.

Friday 4th December at 2.00 pm - Memory Café in the Robert Lloyd Room

Sunday 6th December Toy Services. Toys to go to BCM for families across Birmingham.

Christmas Services and Events

Thursday 3rd & Friday 4th December - Christmas Through the Keyhole

Thursday 10th December – Carol singing at the Dog

Saturday 12th December at 10.00 am - Decorate the church for Christmas

Tuesday 15th December at 7.30 pm - North Warwickshire Community Choir Carol Service

Thursday 17th December – Carol singing at the Digby

Sunday 20th December at 6.30 pm - Candlelight Carol Service in church

Tuesday 22nd December at 7.00 pm - Carol singing in the churchyard

Christmas Eve at 3.00 & 5.00 pm - Christingle Services

Christmas Eve at 11.30 pm - Christmas Communion

Christmas Day at 10.00 am - Family Communion Service

The Year of the Lord's Favour

Isaiah 61

1 The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because the
Lord has anointed me to proclaim good
news to the poor. He has sent me to bind up
the broken-hearted, 2 to proclaim freedom
for the captives and release from darkness
for the prisoners, to proclaim the year of the
Lord's favour and the day of vengeance of
our God, to comfort all who mourn, 3 and
provide for those who grieve in Zion – to
bestow on them a crown of beauty instead
of ashes, the oil of joy instead of mourning,
and a garment of praise instead if a spirit of
despair. They will be called oaks of
righteousness, a planting of the Lord for the
display of his splendour. 4 They will rebuild
the ancient ruins and restore the places long
devastated; they will renew the ruined cities
that have been devastated for generations.
5 Strangers will shepherd your flocks;
foreigners will work your fields and
vineyards. 6 And you will be called priests of
the Lord, you will be named ministers of our
God. You will feed on the wealth of nations,
and in their riches you will boast. 7 Instead of
your shame you will receive a double
portion, and instead of disgrace you will
rejoice in your inheritance. And so you will
inherit a double portion in your land, and
everlasting joy will be yours. 8 "For I, the
Lord, love justice; I hate robbery and
wrongdoing. In my faithfulness I will reward
my people and make an everlasting covenant
with them. 9 Their descendants will be
known among the nations and their
offspring among the peoples. All who see
them will acknowledge that they are a
people the Lord has blessed." 10 I delight
greatly in the Lord; my soul rejoices in my
God. For he has clothed me with garments of
salvation and arrayed me in a robe of his
righteousness, as a bridegroom adorns his
head like a priest, and as a bride adorns
herself with her jewels. 11 For as the soil
makes the sprout come up and a garden
causes seeds to grow, so the Sovereign Lord
will make righteousness and praise spring up
before all nations.

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Most of our services can be attended in person or on Zoom.

Zoom meeting ID: 508 367 391

If you have missed a Sunday or Wednesday service, the sermons (and some services) can be accessed on the website under 'Media Library'.
Sermons are deleted after 4 months, while services are only available for 2 months.

Advent Concert

Water Orton Parish Church
Sunday 29th November at 3pm
The Coleshill Youth Band & The Church Choir
Mulled Wine & Mince Pies Available
THIS EVENT IS NOW SOLD OUT

