

WATER ORTON PARISH CHURCH: Contact Information

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METHODIST CHURCH: Contact Information see page 2

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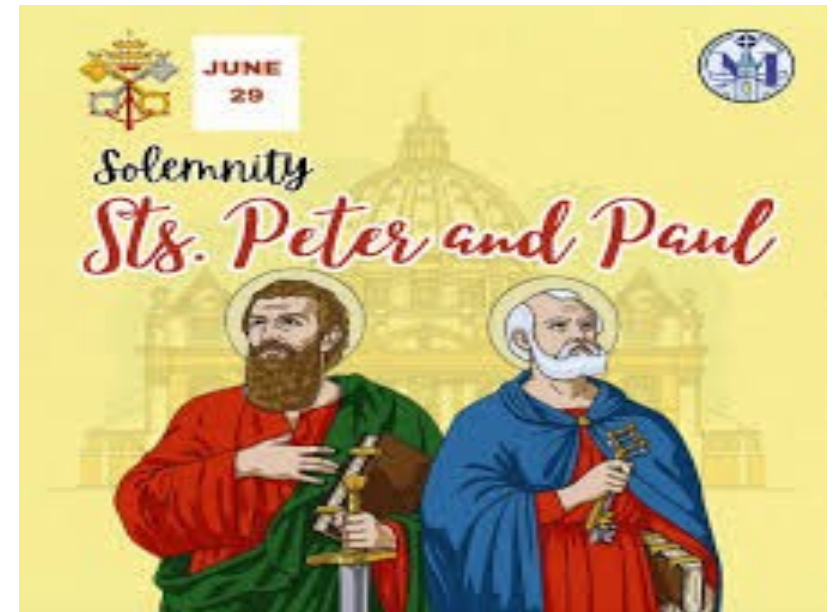
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British Gas:	Tel: 0800 111 999
National Grid (Electricity problem):	Tel: 105
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Report Fly-tipping to NWBC	Tel: 01827 715 341

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JUNE 2026

THE BRIDGE



St. Peter (born Simon), brother of St. Andrew, both of whom were fishermen. Chosen by Jesus to be the leader of the Twelve and later known as Prince of the Apostles.

St. Paul (born Saul) persecuted Christians until he had a conversion experience on the road to Damascus. He was instrumental in the spread of the Gospel beyond Israel and the Jewish nation. He is called Apostle of the Gentiles Both men were martyred in Rome.

**LINKING CHURCHES AND PEOPLE
IN WATER ORTON**

Worship at St Peter and St Paul's Church, Water Orton

Sunday	9.00a.m.	* Holy Communion
Sunday	11.00a.m.	* All Age Worship
Tuesday	10.00a.m.	* Morning Prayer, Common Worship
Wednesday	10.00a.m.	* Said Holy Communion
Wednesday	evening 9.00p.m.	Service of Compline - on Zoom only
Thursday	9.00a.m.-10.00a.m.	Contemporary Prayer Meeting at the Vicarage - NOT on Zoom.

The above services (*) will continue to be available via Zoom, for the foreseeable future. Zoom ID: 508 367 3910

Sunday	14th June	Quest Family - 3.30p.m. - 5.30p.m.
Sunday	21st June	Thanksgiving and Memorial Service 3.00p.m. - 4.00p.m.
Saturday	27th June	Concert of Local Talent 7.00p.m. - 9.00p.m.

The Food Bank is open from 9.30a.m. - 11.30a.m. on Tuesday and 10.00a.m. - 11.00a.m. on Saturday.

Worship at Water Orton Methodist Church

Sunday	7th June	10.30a.m.	Church 158th Anniversary, with Rev. Donald Kerr
Sunday	14th June	10.30a.m.	with Mr Roger Boulton
All Age Service with the Boys' Brigade and Girls' Association and families			
Sunday	21st June	10.30a.m.	with Mrs Ermine Mitchell
Sunday	28th June	10.30a.m.	Communion service with Rev. Farai Mapamula
7.00p.m. Faith Journey Service at the White City Community Centre			

Contacts:

Ermine Mitchell	Lay Minister	07526 204 536
Mrs Gill Day	Senior Steward	07818 060 900
Mr Roger Boulton	Bookings	07554 637 330

Water Orton Methodist Church 158th Anniversary, Sunday 7th June 10.30a.m.

The Rev Donald Kerr, an Irish man with plenty of good Irish humour, will be leading this Anniversary Service on Sunday 7th June at 10.30a.m. Although fully refurbished to mark our 150th Anniversary, the 'church' is not primarily a set of buildings: Rather, it is a group of volunteers drawn together to follow the simple teachings of Jesus Christ 'Love God and your neighbour as yourself' and to serve the community. In the coming months we will be looking at new expressions of Christian faith and welcoming broader community insights. There is a place for everyone in this.

MONDAY

9.00am - 9.45am	Body Conditioning - Kathryn 07786 669688
10.00am - 10.45am	Pilates with Lauren - 07733 262796
3.00pm - 4.15pm	Qi Gong - Denise 07454 708646
6.15pm - 7.00pm	Body Conditioning - Kathryn 07786 669688

TUESDAY

9.30am - 12 noon	Art Class watercolours - Carl 07852 531188
9.30am - 12 noon	Art Class - All ages & abilities welcome
6.00pm - 6.45pm	Circuits with Lee: to book contact Kathryn 07786 669688
7.00pm - 8.00pm	Yoga - Emma 07861 747448

WEDNESDAY

9.30am - 11.00pm	Kiddodoodles - Parent & Toddler Group
5.30pm	Slimming World - Shirley 07305 947214
7.15pm	Slot available

THURSDAY

9.30am - 11.30am	WOMBATS - Parent & Toddler Group Contact Ann 07724 634211
5.00pm - 6.00pm	Karate Class Age 5+ - Jason 07515 360586
6.30pm - 7.15pm	Bounce and Burn - Emma 07861 747448
7.30pm - 8.30pm	Yoga - Emma 07861 747448

FRIDAY

12 noon - 1.30pm	Meet & Eat - Lunch & chat for the retired
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SATURDAY

9.30am - 12 noon	Shining Star Stage School (Shining Tots 4 - 7 years, Shining Stars 7+) Email: info@shiningstargstageschool.co.uk
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For more information contact The Link on 0121 748 6360
Email: bookingsatthelink@gmail.com

Updated March 2026

WHAT'S ON AT THE METHODIST CHURCH

Monday	9.30a.m. - 11.30a.m.	Child Minders	Debbie Morley	07961 241 662
	12.00noon. - 5.30p.m.	SPUD CLUB	Celia Banner	07899 983 890
	8.00p.m. - 10.00p.m.	Local Vocals	Helen Hyde	07746 243 456
Tuesday	9.30a.m. - 2.00p.m.	Dance Classes	Dawn Bartlett	07847 093 070
	6.00p.m. - 8.30p.m.	Dance Class	Dawn Bartlett	07847 093 070
Wednesday	9.30a.m. - 11.30a.m.	Dance Classes	Dawn Bartlett	07847 093 070
	7.00p.m. - 9.00p.m.	Dance Class	Dawn Bartlett	07847 093 070
Thursday	9.30a.m. - 11.30a.m.	Child Minders	Debbie Morley	07961 241 662
	5.45p.m. - 7.00p.m.	Youth Club for School Years 4 - 8	Rev. Paul Tullett	0121 730 2081
Friday	12.00noon - 1.00p.m.	Calypsocise	Jayde Carlin	07799 907 542
	6.00p.m. - 8.00p.m.	Boys' Brigade and Girls' Association	Mr Kim Smith	07940 541 121
Saturday	10.30a.m. - 12.30p.m.	Coffee Morning	Margaret Smith	07738 703 376
		Table Top Sale, last Saturday of the month		
Sunday	5.00p.m. - 6.15p.m.	Gong Bath - monthly	Julie McLean	07581 721 565

DAVID REILLY, NORTH WARWICKSHIRE BOROUGH COUNCILLOR

In this article I want to focus on the Old Salts Warm Hub, to ensure that everyone in Water Orton who may benefit from its services knows about it and feels able to attend. The Warm Hub meets every Thursday at the Rugby Club from 10.45a.m. to 1.00p.m.. The purpose of the Hub is to provide friendship and support to those who may be struggling with cost of living expenses and also to help develop strength and balance through structured, age and ability appropriate exercise sessions, delivered by our qualified Physiotherapist. Keeping mobile and physically active is key to independent living and enjoying a full and active life. Each session is brilliantly supported by our dedicated team of Hub volunteers.

We start with tea and cake and friendly chats between everyone who attends. Exercise is at midday and we have soup and bread at 1.00p.m. The soup is made from fresh ingredients by our professional Chef. Some weeks we play bingo and on others we have a quiz. At the sessions we also provide debt, allowances and cost of living support to anyone who wants help.

We have about 40 people attend each Hub session who live in the village or in our neighbouring communities and we warmly welcome everyone. There will likely be people you know so don't be nervous, please come along and join in, it'll be great to see you. There is no entrance fee to join the sessions but we do ask for a £3 donation from those attending. This goes to support the Club's Mini and Youth Rugby teams which are made up of local children who play every Sunday morning. If you have children, boys or girls, aged from 3 to 11 years old, who would enjoy a Sunday morning run around, learning how to play non-contact rugby, please bring them along. Full details on how to join are on the Club's website.

CARNIVAL IS BACK - and needs YOU

On Saturday 20th June the streets of Water Orton will come alive to the sound of Carnival! The parade of floats, Royal Court, vintage cars, Superheroes and the walking procession will be the biggest it has been in years. Carnival will also see the return of the fair, Dog Show, retro sports day, 40+ local stalls and there will be plenty of food and drink too. Kids (of all ages!) will be entertained by our main stage performers, amusements, inflatables and our legendary Craft Tent. Local groups and charities will also be there fundraising, to continue their work in the village and wider area.

BUT Without YOU, Carnival just won't be Carnival!! Could you spare an hour or two to help sell programmes, man an entrance gate, support the procession through the village? If you'd like to support YOUR Carnival, please call 07961 053 052 or visit our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/waterortoncarnival>.

A MESSAGE FROM PAUL,

VICAR AT ST PETER AND ST PAUL'S CHURCH,

WATER ORTON

Welcome to the June edition of the Bridge.

As I write this, I have many hopes.

One is to finish the ultra-marathon I am doing in the next few days. As a runner I have one of those watches which measures Vo2 max; a measure of the max rate of oxygen your body can utilise during intense exercise. Apparently, there is a strong relationship between Vo2 max and longevity and I am not getting any younger.

One is that Aston Villa got the job done on 20th May. Apologies to any blues supporters. Perhaps you are chuckling as you read this now knowing the result.

One is the hope that Jesus will return one day. On the 14th May we celebrated the Ascension at the parish church. Luke writes about it in the book of Acts. He wrote this, 'After he had said this, he was taken up as they were watching, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going, they were gazing into heaven, and suddenly two men in white clothes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up into heaven? This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come in the same way that you have seen him going into heaven."'

I believe that only one of these hope's is certain. One day maybe in your lifetime and mine, Jesus will return to earth. And that will be a glorious day for those who hope for his return.

On a final note, please, anyone reading this, feel free to join us on a Sunday morning. As a church we have four values, Word, Worship, Welcome and Wisdom. It is our want that anyone who comes to the parish church knows that they are very welcome.

God Bless

Paul



MESSAGE FROM RACHEL TAYLOR MP

Wherever I go in the constituency there is one issue that I guarantee will come up – potholes! Years of under-investment left our local roads in a poor state. That's why I'm pleased the government has increased Warwickshire's potholes budget by 40%

It's therefore disappointing to discover that over the past year Warwickshire County Council has cut spending on pothole repairs in North Warwickshire by 51%, something I am continuing to raise. Please do report potholes to me or the council if there is one you want repaired. It makes a big difference when it comes to pushing the council for action. I also have a petition on my website – please do sign it. I want to see action.

For further information, or support with any other matter, please get in touch at rachel.taylor.mp@parliament.uk. You can also sign up to my monthly email newsletter at www.rachel-taylor.co.uk/newsletter and my dedicated HS2 letter at <https://rachel-taylor.co.uk/hs2/>

WATER ORTON COMMUNITY LIBRARY

We would like to welcome you to our Cream Teas on Carnival Day, June 20th.

We will be open from 10.00a.m. to 4.00p.m. for refreshments; Cream Teas with jam and clotted cream, £3.99 each and slices of cake at £1.00 each. Tea and Coffee, to drink at the library or take away, will be £1.00 each.

We will also have several stalls for you to browse, including Pottery, New and Nearly New, Craft stalls and more. Joy Arts will also have a stall doing crafting with any children. Pop in on your way to or from the Carnival, we would be delighted to see you.

WATER ORTON IN BLOOM

Hello fellow Villagers. We are Water Orton in Bloom, a group of volunteers who plant up and maintain the square planters throughout the Village. If you live near a planter, please consider watering it all year round, but especially in the (hopefully) hot weather. If you would like to join us, please drop me a message.

We plant up twice a year - or if you can help by watering, please do. Let's make the Village bloom. We have planters: Mytton Road, Plank Lane, Birmingham Road (by the Nursing Home), on the gravel by the station, two at the shops, Conker Island, Memorial and two by Maud Road. We are extremely grateful to those who already water, the plants wouldn't survive without you. For further information please contact us via our Facebook page, or direct message me. Thank you.

Stella Hunt

EVENTS FROM THE PARISH CHURCH CALENDAR

Open Café in the Robert Lloyd Room - open every Tuesday, 9.00a.m. - 11.30a.m.
Food Bank - Open for collection and distribution, Tuesday, 9.30a.m – 11.30a.m and Saturday, 10.00a.m. - 11.00a.m.
Memory Café - Robert Lloyd Room - Meetings will be held on 1st Friday in the Month, 2.00p.m. - 4.00p.m. .
AA Meeting - Robert Lloyd Room - Every Monday at 7.30p.m.

MEMORY CAFÉ

Our next meeting is on **Friday 5th June** at 2.00p.m.

If anyone is interested in attending please contact either The Coleshill Hub on 01675 462517 or phone or message myself, Peter Hyde, on 07443 614 254. We can then explain how the cafe works, ie it is for people with onset dementia or memory problems, plus their partners, only.

Peter Hyde.

WATER ORTON SUPPER CLUB

Hi everyone, Welcome. Well all that sunshine we had seems to have evaporated and gone away. On May 23rd we had the new kid on the block, Paul Hopkins, to entertain us for the first time, with a Country and Western evening. He fitted in fantastically well and knew what the members liked, with a bit of line dancing. Now moving on to June 27th, we are in for a real treat, with Paul Ray, a highly professional entertainer and so funny. He is not new to us and the members requested a return visit. It will be a ploughman's supper this time.

Coming up on July 14th the Club has organised a day trip to Trentham Gardens. If you have time you could browse the shops in timber lodges, which is a unique experience, with all the high street brands and a wonderful large garden centre to boot. The price of this trip is £35.00 p.p., not including the garden entrance fee. This will be a super day out. To book please contact our secretary, Averill on Mobile 07792 476 599, or email: alandgoldsmith@ymail.com

As I always say, why not pop along and give us a try at The Link, New Road. You would not regret it and will come back for more, especially if you are on your own and you will meet new friends. For details please contact me, Mike Sadler, by email on mikebarbarasad@aol.com or telephone 0121 747 6980 or mobile 07984 395 868, to have a chat to let you know what we are all about. We look forward to hearing from you.