

Reports & Contact Details

Annual Parochial Church Meeting

Monday 16th May 2022
in Church 7.30pm



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Electoral Roll Report

The Roll was revised in April 2022. The number on the revised Roll as at 4th May 2022 is 107 .

Child and vulnerable adult protection and parish safeguarding report 2022

I am the St Peter's Parish safeguarding representative and this has again been a challenging year for the church and safeguarding, certainly with the normality of emerging from COVID and the refugee crisis from Ukraine. Lockdown and separation from family has certainly worsened the cases of abuse, human trafficking and slavery.

I am also the Disclosure and Barring Service validator for St Peters and I work closely with the PCC to ensure that St Peter's church fulfils its safeguarding duties to children and vulnerable adults at risk of harm.

There are visible posters with my name and photo displayed in the church and copies of the safeguarding policies are on public display.

The Parish Safeguarding Policy and Parish Policy Statement are reviewed and implemented in accordance with the Guildford Diocese, Church of England and national guidelines.

Recently I attended the Preventing Child Sexual Abuse Workshop in Guildford. The aim of this workshop is how to recognise and minimise risk of child sexual abuse, led by the Surrey POLIT (Paedophile On Line Investigation Team), in conjunction with our diocesan safeguarding and mission enabler team. The online abuse is a hidden abuse that young people and children can be at risk from in the apparent safety of their own homes.

One in 10 children will experience sexual abuse before the age of 16. These workshops help to identify signs and help you to equip parents and children to keep themselves safe. I have a number of leaflets and online materials available.

The Surrey Safeguarding Partnership is also launching Safe to Play which is a campaign to help with safeguarding in Sport. The Diocesan has details of the current initiatives or you can talk to me

The Diocesan Safeguarding Advisor, Jackie Broadfoot has primary responsibility for case management, and the interface between parishes and statutory agencies in the event of serious safeguarding concern. She is the first point of contact for safeguarding concerns during normal working hours, Monday to Thursday. Jackie can be contacted on 07918 559387 or email Jackie.broadfoot@cofeguildford.org.uk Out of hours, the police should be contacted on 999 and follow up with Jackie the next working day.

Certain new posts and roles within the church, in accordance with Diocesan requirements, have to be DBS cleared, and the PCC alert me as to who needs checking. The new online DBS also alerts me to when someone is due a renewal of their DBS. It's a much easier system as all of it can be done online, I just have a check of the persons passport, driving license and bill and send off the details to the diocese.

There are copies of the National Document, Know Your Safeguarding Role and there is a wealth of information on the Guildford diocesan website. Please visit this website if you can, as it has educational information as well as courses that you can do mostly online.

I can only do my role with the support of others in the church. I need all of you to be the 'eyes and ears' of the community and speak out about any concerns you may have, no matter how trivial you think they may be. Please be aware, any concerns will be treated in complete confidence but small concerns can add up to a bigger picture.

Thank you to all those who support me in my role. The PCC is committed to the support, nurture and protection of all in Newdigate and St Peter's church.

Annette Jordan

Dorking Deanery Synod Report Spring 2021 to Spring 2022

The Deanery Synod has met 5 times since May 2021

There were 4 online Zoom meetings on 29th June 2021, 22nd September 2021, 16th November 2021 and 22nd February 2022. 5th May 2022 was a meeting in person.

On 29th June 2021 Mention was made of Deanery Clergy retirements, Priory School future direction, the autumn Diocesan visit of the Archbishop of Canterbury, and the autumn Diocesan Synod, and General Synod elections.

On 22nd September the main focus was the Archbishop of Canterbury's, soon to be held, Diocesan Mission Visit. By 13th September there were almost 200 bookings for the Archbishop of Canterbury's *Big Questions* event at the Dorking Halls, and it is hoped this will be a very significant event. Discussion was also made about potential Pastoral re-ordering within the Deanery.

On 16th November 2021 the Synod discussed how Deanery Churches were getting on with restarting and regathering as Covid restrictions gradually changed and eased. All Churches noted that some folks had yet to return to Sunday Services, either because they were still anxious about catching covid, or because they had got 'out of the habit' of attending on a Sunday. Most were experiencing a fall in families attending, which was sometimes linked to the difficulties Uniformed Groups were having in restarting. There were now some gaps on rotas, but others had got involved, some for the first time. There is still a tension between congregation members who think we should return to full activity asap, and those who want a more cautious approach. All agreed that we need to be patient as we build things back, and that we need to re-build them differently from before, in order to meet the new mission situation that we now find ourselves in.

On 22nd February 2022 the main topic of was the proposed Academisation of the Priory CE Secondary School in Dorking. Alex Tear Diocesan Director of Education, explained the process of academisation, and Jo Trimnell (Headteacher The Priory School) explained how the School hoped to proceed with Enlighten Learning Trust (ELT) Academy Trust. Mike Boddington CEO of ELT also spoke. The Deanery Synod discussed the proposals, and voted unanimously to support the Governors of The Priory School in seeking to join ELT.

On 5th May 2022 the Synod met in person at St John's North Holmwood. The evening gave a chance for Synod Members to catch up with news from around the Deanery, share the challenges and opportunities they have experienced as we all move out of Covid restrictions and have recommenced Church Services, Groups and Meetings.

Other Deanery News

In 2021 we had various Clergy retirements and said farewell to Rev Barbara Steadman-Allen (St Mary Magdalene The Holmwood), Rev Alan Jonas (Holy Trinity Westcott), and Rev Tony Berry (St James Abinger Common and Christ Church Coldharbour). The Deanery is very grateful for their dedicated ministries, and wishes them God's blessing in the future

Rev Kia Pakenham started in April 2022 as House for Duty Priest at Abinger Common and Christ Church Coldharbour. Westcott is advertising for a new Stipendiary Priest, with Interviews taking place soon. St Mary Magdalene The Holmwood is in discussion with North Holmwood about joining up as a United Church under the leadership of Rev Peter Nevins, based in North Holmwood.

PCC Report for APCM Monday 16th May 2022

The PCC consists of 6 ex-officio members: myself, the Rector, Rev. Andrew Coe, Associate Minister Rev. Dr. Martin Gilpin, Associate Minister Rev Noelle Coe, two Church Wardens, Paul Middleton and David Newbery and our Dorking Deanery Synod Representative, Tina Callcut.

Other members of the PCC are: James Baker, Ashley Frost, Ian Frost, Linda Glynn, Sean Glynn, Barry Jordan, Pam Middleton, Jeff Moss, Christine Padmore, Vanessa Ramsden.

The PCC continues to pray and reflect about God's priorities for St. Peter's Church at this time, and this helps us to set the Vision and direction of the Church and informs our decisions and those issues we set as priorities. We remain conscious of our 'Vision and Mission' Statement, which also helps our thinking and planning.

It is as follows:-

St. Peter's Church Newdigate

Our Vision

In Jesus name:- Making Disciples: Growing in Discipleship

Our Priority is:-

Serving God, and being rooted and grounded in prayer, and breadth of worship that brings growth by:-

1. Turning 'outside in', and 'inside out', connecting Church and community
 2. Being a friendly Church in which you can make friends
 3. Encouraging each other to grow in lifelong Discipleship
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During the last year, since our last APCM in May 2021, the PCC has met four times. They have continued to develop the main areas of focus, first identified in 2020. These are:-

1. Prayer. The 24/7 prayer initiative and prayer nights continue, and we have sought to provide teaching, guidance, and opportunities to increase and enhance the prayer life of the Church, and Church members understanding and practice of prayer.
2. Worship. In October 2021 we launched the revamped 10am Service, in which we have sought to blend traditional and contemporary worship. The newly launched Service was done as part of our response to the Diocesan Transforming Church Vision, and our engagement with the Diocesan organised BIG PCC Day Away in Spring 2020. As Rector, I am very encouraged by what I see as a promising start to the newly launched Service. The Service Planning Group (SPG) is working very well together, and has come up with some imaginative and creative services of worship that have enhanced and deepened our spiritual journey, both individually, and corporately. We have drawn more lay people, of all ages, into involvement in different parts of the Service, be that welcoming, singing or playing instruments, doing Bible Readings, leading intercessions, involvement in dramatic presentations, or sharing of personal testimony. Creative use is being made of our Multi-Media system. Thank you to all those who have borne patiently with us, engaged with the changes, and allowed the Service to find its feet, and gain momentum. Not everyone, for different reasons, has taken to the current changes, but I hope we all feel able to draw together at this time when Deanery Pastoral reorganisation is actively being discussed, and decisions being made. We are looking at ways to provide opportunities for traditional services of worship outside of the 10am Sunday Service, some in conjunction with Capel/Ockley Churches. The recent Good Friday Choral 'Stainer's Crucifixion', was such an initiative.

3. Discipleship. It was felt important to hold an online Lent teaching course, and we are grateful to David Newbery for helping facilitate the recent Wednesday evening Lent 'Prayer Course', and for Peter Briscoe for giving the technical input. The course proved very popular, with over 30 participants most weeks. Our various mid week Connect groups, which provide opportunities to learn, share, grow in Christian discipleship, and make friends, have been a vital source of support for many during the last year, and it has been good that some groups have been able to meet online, and others have made sure that members keep in touch. Thank you to Melanie Blaymires for her work in coordinating with the various Groups. Our programme of Saturday morning Breakfasts continues, as does initiatives like Pop-In Ploughman's, and the recent Family Film Night.

Within the Surrey Weald team, Rev Barbara Steadman- Allen retired as Team Vicar of St. Mary Magdalene The Holmwood in August 2021. Since then, as Team Rector, I have been overseeing the Church to ensure continuity of ministry and pastoral care for St Mary Magdalene Church The Holmwood and the Beare Green, Mid Holmwood and South Holmwood area of the Team. Thus, I have been splitting my time between Newdigate and The Holmwood Churches. There will not be a replacement for Barbara, based at The Holmwood, and St Mary Magdalene are now in advanced discussions with St John's North Holmwood about becoming a United 'Holmwoods' Parish under the leadership of Rev Peter Nevins, Vicar of North Holmwood.

The combining of the 'Holmwoods' Churches and parishes, will mean St Mary Magdalene Church and Parish leaving the Surrey Weald Team. This change means the Diocese will dissolve the Surrey Weald Team and St. Peter's Newdigate PCC is at the initial stage of consideration about our forging a new relationship with the Churches of Capel and Ockley, who are currently combined as a United Parish within the Surrey Weald Team. The precise nature of our future link with Capel and Ockley and the proposed Ministry Leadership provision, is one we are currently in discussion about with Dorking Deanery and the Diocese.

As I have mentioned previously, I am planning to retire in the latter part of 2023, and Rev Liz Richardson will be retiring from Capel and Ockley, probably towards the end of 2024. At this time of change, and as we begin discussions with the Diocese about future Ministry provision, it is very important that we do all we can to unite as a congregation, and focus on growth and outreach. For some years now the key Diocesan Initiative has been its 'Transforming Church, Transforming Lives' Vision and Mission Strategy. This sets out 12 transformation goals, which are:-

Goal 1: Making disciples **Goal 2: Increasing believers** **Goal 3: Growing youth and children's ministry**

Goal 4: Developing lay ministers **Goal 5: Recruiting more clergy**

Goal 6: Cultivating community partnerships **Goal 7: Reaching beyond borders**

Goal 8: Nurturing education **Goal 9: Encouraging generous giving**

Goal 10: Sharing expertise **Goal 11: Communicating effectively** **Goal 12: Improving church buildings**

More details can be found at this link

<https://www.cofeguildford.org.uk/making-disciples/transforming-church-transforming-lives>

Diocesan resourcing decisions, including allocation of Ministerial leadership, are now made with reference to how local congregations are actively engaging with the 'Transforming Church' Vision. The Diocese seeks to resource those Churches which are united, that have a plan for growth, are engaging with 'Transforming Church', and are focussed on interpreting, and implementing the Diocesan Vision in their local Parish context.

Important discussions are currently taking place with the Diocese and Deanery about future Ministry provision for Newdigate. In the past three years Newdigate Church has been unable to meet the Diocesan Parish Share asking in full. Thus, at the moment the Diocese envisage that a House for Duty Minister will be based in Newdigate after my retirement, with Newdigate coming under the overall leadership of a Stipendiary Minister for Capel, Ockley and Newdigate. The Stipendiary Minister will be based in Capel. This proposal has been met with some concern and dismay by PCC members. Discussions with the Diocese and Deanery continue. In response to Newdigate Church not meeting Parish Share asking in full in recent years, the PCC recognise the importance of a renewed look at our Finances, stewardship and levels of giving.

We are grateful for all who give us financial support, it enables the mission and ministry of St. Peter's Church to continue and flourish. If you would like to make a donation to the ongoing mission and pastoral work of St. Peter's, then cash donations or cheques payable to 'St. Peter's Church Newdigate PCC' can be sent to, St. Peter's Church, Church Lane, Newdigate, Surrey, RH5 5DL

or BAC's Payments can be made to Lloyds Bank Account 'St Peter's Newdigate PCC'
Account Number 00174186 Sort Code 30-92-70

If you would be interested in Gift Aiding any donation, then we can supply details. If you would like to review your giving, or join one of our regular giving schemes, then we would be happy to discuss this with you in confidence.

As we emerge from the Covid pandemic we have planned to do as much as we can, as soon as we can, to the full extent of what we are permitted to do. We soon hope to have the Church open during the day, every day. We will need a new rota for locking and unlocking the Church building. If you could assist in this, please let us know.

The PCC are grateful for all those who give in so many ways to the ongoing life, ministry, pastoral care and outreach of St Peter's Church. With God's guidance and strengthening we look forward to a post-Covid period of growth and new freedom in God's love and grace.

Andrew Coe, Rector

'Leading Your Church into Growth' - Prayer, that we pray regularly at St. Peter's

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 St. Peter's Church to grow in numbers, grow in spiritual commitment to you, and to grow in our service to the local community. In Christ's name. **Amen.**

Fabric, Goods and Ornaments of the Church Report 2022

2022 has been another odd and difficult year for all of us!

Over the last 2 years or so our church environment has become even more important to us as we meet together. Making use of our technology to keep in touch has been so important and vital.

As we return slowly to the “new normal” and keep the building open for Sunday services (as well as during the week) our audio-visual and DVD projection system has continued to allow us to be more creative using a range of on-line resources for our worship together.

Works completed in the past year are:

- completed new kitchen refurbishment : new storage, worktops, flooring, fridge and dishwasher.
- the new noticeboard (delayed by Covid-19 and contractor ill-health) is due to be complete very soon this year.

Thanks to all those who work away in the background keeping the building and surrounding landscape in good order.

Regular church cleaning required to keep us all safe is ongoing.

A possible “spring clean” tidy up ready for the new season at St. Peter’s Newdigate is being considered in addition to the garden tidy each year.

Looking forward our next big project will be the church spire shingles replacement to the tower with fund raising to begin in the near future.

Paul Middleton Churchwarden, David Newbery Churchwarden