

■ **A Question of Faith?** (Discussion group): usually on the **first Tuesday of the month**. Have you got questions you'd like to ask about faith and how it relates to the wider world, or would you simply like to find out more? **Next meeting is 5<sup>th</sup> November, 7.30 pm** at the Vicarage.

■ **Tea at Two: a friendly, informal get-together to which all are welcome.** Come and join us for tea (or coffee!) and cake at St Peter's Church Hall **at 2 pm on the first Wednesday of the month. Next date is 6<sup>th</sup> November.** *If you know of friends and neighbours who might like the opportunity to get out and meet with others, do ask them along.*

■ **Bible Study Group:** Our next Group is **THIS TUESDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> October**, and we shall be continuing in our series on **Paul's Letter to the Galatians.** We meet at the Vicarage at **7.30 pm.** Subsequent meeting: 26<sup>th</sup> November. *All are welcome!*

■ **Stewardship and Regular Giving:** we are very grateful to all who contribute in many different ways towards the work of St Peter's. Concerning regular financial giving and Gift Aiding, there is a yellow Regular Giving Leaflet available at the back of the Church which outlines different possible ways of giving. Any queries, please feel free to discuss them with the Churchwardens or with our Treasurer. Thank you.

■ **Braintree Youth Project Charity:** there is still a basket at the back of the Church for any gifts of hot chocolate, tea, coffee (decaf), squash, biscuits, jam, peanut butter, chocolate spread and Marmite. As a Church we give £30 per month to support BYPC, and we are in need of donations to top-up the fund for this. Any money will be gratefully received – please give to Maureen, our Treasurer, or place in the offertory plate in a marked envelope. With many thanks.

Items for next week's Pew Slip should be with David Wood  
by **9.00 pm on Wednesday, please.**  
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## **Pew Slip: Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October** **2019** **Eighteenth Sunday After Trinity**

*A warm welcome to everyone here today.  
There will be refreshments after the 10 am Service.  
Please take this Pew Slip home with you for future reference.*

### **Services Today:**

**8 am**            **Holy Communion** (Book of Common Prayer from p.237)

**10 am**           **Sung Communion and Sunday Club**

**10 am Sung Communion:** *please follow the service in the Yellow Service Books, the hymns are in the Blue Book. LARGE PRINT versions of both are available. We observe a few moments' silence at the beginning of our service today, as we prepare ourselves for worship.*

**Processional Hymn: 241** Hail to the Lord's anointed

**The Collect:** *See overleaf*

**Bible Readings:** Genesis 32:22-31; 2 Timothy 3:14 - 4:5

**Gradual: 32** Alleluia

**Gospel Reading:** Luke 18: 1-8

**Offertory Hymn: 21** All my hope on God is founded

**Choir Anthem:** Thou knowest, Lord, the secrets of our hearts (Henry Purcell)

**Post Communion Prayer:** *See overleaf*

**Recessional Hymn: 745** To God be the glory

**The Collect:**

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us your gift of faith that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to that which is before, we may run the way of your commandments and win the crown of everlasting joy; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**A Summary of Today's Bible Readings at the 10 am Service:**

**Genesis:** Jacob wrestles with a stranger at Peniel, gaining a dislocated hip and a new name.

**Timothy:** All scripture is inspired by God; proclaim the message, do the work of an evangelist.

**Gospel of Luke:** The parable of the widow and the unjust judge.

**The Prayer after Communion:**

We praise and thank you, O Christ, for this sacred feast: for here we receive you, here the memory of your passion is renewed, here our minds are filled with grace, and here a pledge of future glory is given, when we shall feast at that table where you reign with all your saints for ever.

**This Week:**

Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	9.30 am	Holy Communion
	7.30 pm	Bible Study at the Vicarage - <i>see notice</i>
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup>	1.00 pm	Holy Communion
Saturday 26 <sup>th</sup>		<b>CLOCKS GO BACK 1 HOUR</b>

**Services Next Sunday, 27<sup>th</sup> October 2019: Bible Sunday**

<b>8 am</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b> (Book of Common Prayer – <u>Trinity 19</u> )
<b>10 am</b>	<b>Sung Communion:</b> Preacher – the Rev'd David Dickens
<b>4 pm</b>	<b>Choral Evensong</b> with the Rose Croix Masons - <i>all welcome</i>

**Readings for next Sunday 10 am** (Bible Sunday – Year C):

Isaiah 45:22-end; Roman 15:1-6; Luke 4: 16-24.

**Harvest Festival and Gift Day**

**Many thanks** to all who brought gifts for **Braintree Foodbank and the First Stop Centre**, and to those who felt able to make a donation to our **Church Gift Day**; *envelopes are still available in the basket at the back of Church for the Gift Day if you missed the opportunity.*

**Thanks also** to all who played any part in our Services, decorated the Church so beautifully for this special celebration, or who helped in any way with our excellent Harvest Lunch!

**Fish and Chip Supper**

The Events Committee are holding a Fish and Chip Supper (with a vegetarian option) - followed by a short quiz, on **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2019 at 7.30pm.**

Tickets are £5.00 and a £2.00 deposit will be required. Coffee, tea and pudding will be provided.

Please sign the board at the back of the church if you are interested in coming.

■ **Gift Day:** the total so far is **£860**. Thank you everyone for this, if you haven't given it is not too late! *Maureen*

■ **Children's Society:** I am holding another box opening for those who missed the box opening in June, and also for those who wish me to open their box for a second time if they think their box is getting full. If you would like to have a box then please have a chat with me at the 10.00am service. *Diane Beck*

■ **For Sale- Coopers Compact Multi Music System:** with record player, cassette player, CD player, FM/MW radio, remote control. Nearly new. **£60.00**. This is offered for sale by David Felstead, and the proceeds are being donated to the Organ Improvement Fund. *If you are looking for something to play your old vinyl, this could be for you!* Contact: David Wood (details overleaf).