

Wardens Waffle

August 2025

My personal good news story this month is that following my **Open Garden Day** in July I have raised another grand total of £1,400 for the Alzheimer's Society! So, a huge thank you to all who came and supported it on the day, donations, all who made delicious cakes and to all the wonderful helpers that had to run round serving in the searing heat of one of the hottest days!

You will note that the **Church "Timepiece"** has decided to restart itself, but still not showing the correct time! Before we can get it reset properly; we must address the pesky pigeons that are taking up residence (rent free) in our tower! We are in the process of obtaining quotes from steeplejacks to redo the mesh to stop the ingress of birds, that is at the very top of the spire, then clear the tower of the pigeon guano, and finally we can get the clock restarted again!

The second property concern is the **Suspended Ceiling** in the vestibule at the St Peter's Centre has collapsed, we are now in the process of arranging the ceiling to be refitted imminently.

Shirley has made up another wonderful **Raffle Hamper** please buy your tickets £2 each after any service at the coffee bar.

VJ Day at St Peter's we are going to celebrate the 80 years by having an **Afternoon Tea** on **Friday 15th August 2pm** onwards. This will be a ticketed event (purchase before the day) so we can cater appropriately it is only £10 per person (thanks to O&WBC for the grant), this will include a traditional afternoon tea (savoury option available too for us diabetics), unlimited hot drinks. Marian Bartholomew has kindly offered to play some light music on the piano. You will also get first glance of our wonderful poppy display which is

already looking amazing. Also, another war display will be available to see from Sue Lester & Jan Bryers.

Please keep going with our **Knitted Poppy** appeal. We now have around 1,500 but keep going as the VJ day is just the start, we have lots of ideas for Remembrance Sunday.

On 5th August our very own, and much-loved Rev'd **Steve** Bailey will be celebrating his **50th Birthday!** He would like to receive lots of cards from people with an encouraging and affirming message as a keepsake. On **Sunday 3rd August** there will be a **Bring & Share Lunch** at St Paul's after the morning service to celebrate this milestone to which we are all invited.

Have you all signed up to **easyfundraising?** Oadby PCC now has the most supporters (50) raising free donations for our Church. If you buy online, you too could be making money for St Peter's Church, at no cost to yourself. It's a win win situation!

Certain Boots stores now offer a **recycling** service for tablet **blister packs** that cannot go with the regular recycling. Unfortunately, this isn't available in the Oadby store, but can be taken to Wigston, Fosse Park and Leicester stores.

Dates for your diary not mentioned above: -

Coffee Concerts - 27th September, 25th October, & 22nd November.

VJ Day Afternoon Tea - Friday 15th August 2pm Onwards

Harvest Supper - Saturday 4th October

Please get all these dates in your diaries, I would hate for you to miss out on anything!

"And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him."
(Colossians 3:17, NIV)

Angela