

# Winter 24

# Children & Youth

AT ST PETER'S, NEWSLETTER

# WELCOME TO THE CHILDREN & YOUTH WORK AT ST PETER'S

Winter Term 2024

# A big welcome to all who have returned or have joined us this term!

We're glad you've come, and we've got some exciting things in store this term to tell you about; things during See and Know, events for your diary as well as info about the regular support that the church offers.



**S&K Weeks**: 8<sup>th</sup> November – 20<sup>th</sup> December

No S&K for half term break: 27<sup>th</sup> December – 3<sup>rd</sup> January We're Back on 10<sup>th</sup> January

# Uniformed Groups

Did you know St Peter's host, Rainbows, Brownies, Guides, Beavers, Cubs and Scouts? If you have other little ones that may be interested please contact the church office (office@stpetes.org.uk), so they can forward you to the correct

person.



# Welcome Space

Fridays I Iam – 2pm

As many of you know we have Welcome Space after See & Know. This is welcome to all. We serve a delicious healthy soup, packed full of all the good stuff on a pay as you feel basis. We also serve hot and cold drinks, with some delicious cakes. If you or your child have any allergies, please talk to Annabel as we try and cater to all dietary needs.

# What goes on at See & Know!

See & Know is a toddler group run by members of St. Peter's Church.

We are so glad you have chosen to spend your morning with us and in this wonderful building central to life in Shipley. We begin with free play (Tea and Coffee available to the left of the church as you look at the big stained glass window, as

well as crumpets, if you or your child have an allergies, please make sure you've popped it on your child's enrolment form or ask Jessica or Liz to update it). We have tidy-up time and snack at about 10.30am before finishing off with a structured singing and storytime. There are some See & Know specific songs, but we also sing traditional nursery rhymes. We do provide words if you don't know some of the songs. Please speak to Jessica or Liz for a copy.





FIND OUT HOW AN ORANGE, A CANDLE AND SOME SWEETS TALK ABOUT THE LOVE OF GOD.



# 8TH DECEMBER, 4PM ST PETER'S CHURCH, SHIPLEY

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CONTACT REV. NATASHA

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# Reflections from Rev. Natasha Thomas



# Helloi

As the nights draw in and the weather turns cooler, we all begin to start to think a little bit more about Christmas - especially as the shops are so full of all the joys of decorations, fairy lights and possible Christmas gifts...it can also become a bit much! A bit much to think about all the different things and costs. One of the things we are thinking about as we wait during this Advent

period for Christmas is how we are going to stay calm and bright. It would be lovely to see you at one of our many special services (Christingle; Messy Church; Carol service) or at our regular 9.30 (family service) or 11.15 (traditional service).

Wishing you peace and joy, from,

Rev Natasha Thomas





# **Messy Church**

Messy Church is a fun-filled event for all the family. Messy Church has a mixture of crafts, games, songs, stories and other exciting activities. It takes place on the third Sunday of the month from 3.30pm - 5.45pm, beginning with drinks and finishing with a delicious home cooked meal. If you would like to know more please talk to Jessica (families@stpetes.org.uk) and she'll be able to tell you everything you'll need





Youthie is a youth club open to all children from year 6 – year 9!

Each session is a different and will have lots of fun things to do!

# 22 November & 6 December

More dates coming soon!
For more information please email families@stpetes.org.uk

## Volunteer

We desperately need more
Volunteers to help with Messy
Church and See & Know. If you are
interested in volunteering please speak to
Jessica!

Thank you

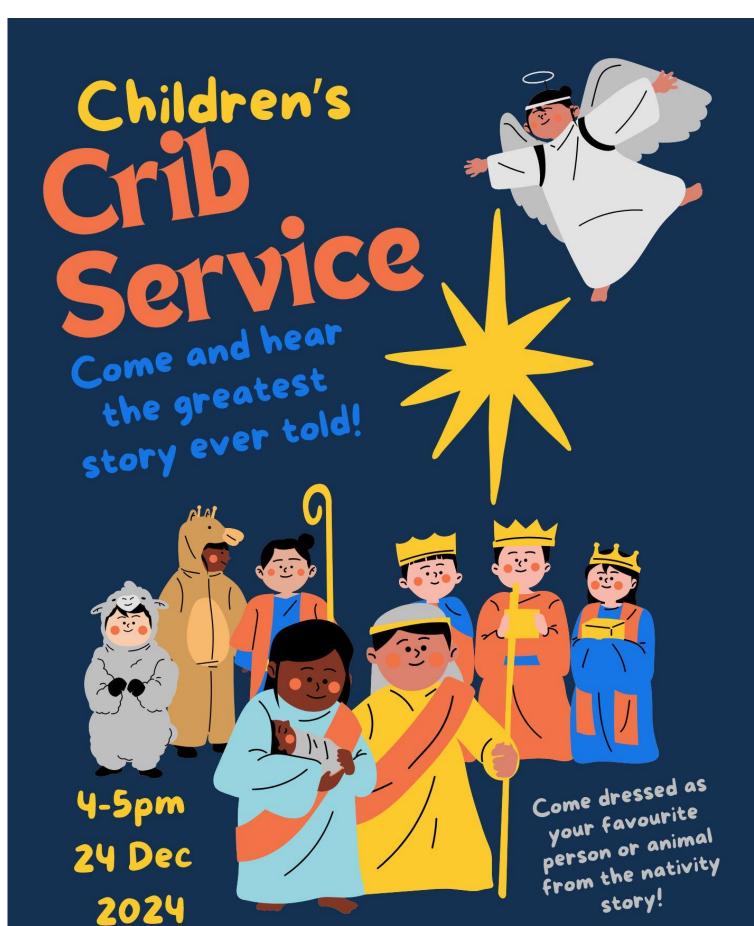
# Giving

We rely on kind donations from people to keep our children and youth work going, we need help to keep the heating going during the colder months to buying crumpets for See & Know. If you wish to donate, please scan the QR code with your smart device, alternatively, you can set up a direct debit or a one-off donation! Don't forget we collect 'Gift-Aid' which can be found on the 'Welcome Desk' or 'Gift Aid Form'

# Account Name: St Peter's Shipley Youth

Account number: 67271542 Sort Code: 08-92-99





Everyone is welcome! St Peter's Church, Shipley For more information email: families@stpetes.org.uk www.stpetes.org.uk



# **Exciting Groups at St Peter's**





Beginning the week of October 7th, our Wrestle Tots and Wrestle Kids classes are a great way to introduce your child to the world of entertainment wrestling! Our classes build the basics of tumbling, stunting and performance through creative play. Your child will develop their motor skills, posture and balance whilst building up confidence, making new friends and increasing concentration.

#### **WRESTLE-TOTS**

Ages 2 to 4, Thursdays, 10am to 10:30am, £4

#### **WRESTLE-KIDS**

Ages 7 to 12, Tuesdays, 5:30pm to 6:30pm, £5 Ages 4 to 6, Thursdays, 5pm to 5:45pm, £5

#### **WRESTLE - TEENS**

Ages 12 - 16, Thursdays, 6pm - 7pm, £5

#### **BOOK ONLINE NOW AT:**

www.kingdomwrestling.org/academy

### **Prayer**

If you would appreciate prayer for anything, please do approach Jessica, Rev. Natasha, Liz and Jenni and we will happily pray with or for you or email families@stpetes.org.uk

## **Milestones**

We love to mark milestones. Please make sure we have your child's date of birth so we can celebrate their birthday, if you and they would like this.

We also give leaving presents and a special send-off to children when they leave to go to nursery or school.

Please let us know when your child's last session will be, so that we can say a big goodbye to them.

# Don't forget!

We have a supply of nappies, wipes, bags and hand gel under the changing mat in the creche. Please help yourself!



# **Helpful Information**

#### **Contact Details:**

Vicar: Rev. Natasha Thomas

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Email: natasha.thomas@stpetes.org.uk

Children & Youth Co-ordinator: Jessica Criddle Children and Youth Administrator: Jenni Reid

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\*Please make sure these addresses are in your saved on your contact list and not spam folder! \*

Phone: 01274 400381 (Church Office)

#### Reminder..

- We would like to remind you that your child/children remain your responsibility at all times.
- Please keep them out of the toy cupboard, especially after tidy-up time.
- During singing time, please join in to encourage all children to engage with this fun, interactive part of the morning.
- Please don't park buggies in front of the fire exits as
  this will hinder an orderly escape in the (extremely
  unlikely) event of a fire. Smaller buggies/push along
  trikes can be parked neatly inside the church (rather
  than the foyer). Incidentally, the fire assembly point
  is at the bottom of the church car park, by the fire
  assembly point sign.