

### JULIE WITHERS RE-ELECTED FOR GENERAL SYNOD

Julie Withers has been re-elected as a member of the Church of England General Synod. General Synod is a bit like a parliament. It is the national assembly of the Church of England. Members consider, discuss and approve legislation affecting the whole Church of England, help formulate new forms of worship, debates matters of national and international importance and approves the annual budget for the work of the Church at national level.

The General Synod is divided into three "houses" – the House of Bishops, The House of clergy, and the House of Laity. General Synod meets up to three times a year over 3 to 5 days. It is a very intense agenda and members are sent many documents to be read and considered before they are discussed and voted on.

Julie represents the laity of our Archdeaconry and goes to General Synod with the blessing and support of Rev'd Kaz, the Ministry Team and our parish. Julie says: "I could not fulfil the role of a General Synod rep without the support and flexibility of the parish and I would like to thank everyone for their support and encouragement which certainly helps me in my role".

Julie also serves as a Deanery representative on the Diocesan Synod, the governing body of our Diocese. This committee looks after all our Diocesan policies including how many clergy

we have and how much parish share we have to pay. The Diocesan Synod also looks after every type of ministry and supports parishes as they seek to grow and carry out local mission. This committee has recently voted for Julie to be a "Vice President" or Chair of the House of Laity.

Julie is happy to answer any questions about Deanery, Diocesan or General Synod. Feel free to ask her when you see her.



# NEW CARETAKER FOR THE ASSEMBLY ROOMS (CECIL ROAD)

We now have a new caretaker for the Assembly Rooms, Joanna Parsons (joanna@stpetershale.org.uk).

### **GET IN TOUCH**

**Vicar: Rev'd Kaz Stanton** 0161 928 4182 / 07925 614 782 vicar@stepetershale.org.uk

Curate: Rev'd Giselle Rusted 07714 959 180 gisellerusted@outlook.com

#### Readers:

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Children's and Youth Minister: Melissa Wearden melissa@stepetershale.org.uk

### Church Warden: Mike Whiting 0161 928 3833

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# **SERVICES**

Sunday 7th November

11am Community Service

Minister TBC

Reader Peter Hardern

Readings: Hebrews 9.24-end;

Mark 1.14-20

Intercessions Jim Clarke

Sermon TBC Music John Erlam

Sunday 14th November

11am Service of the Word

Service Leader John Moss

Reader Ronnie Ballantyne

Readings: Hebrews 10.11-14, 19-25;

Mark 13.1-8

Intercessions Tim Bedell Sermon John Moss Music Keith Munday

Sunday 21st November

11am Holy Communion

Minister Rev'd Keith Hine

Reader Richard Batty

and Alice

Readings: Revelation 1.4-8;

John 18.33-37

Intercessions Alessandra Sermon Rev'd Keith Hine

Music John Erlam

Sunday 28th November

11am Holy Communion

Minister

Rev'd Kaz Stanton Reader Tim Bedell

Readings: 1 Thessalonians 3.9-end;

Luke 21.25-26 Intercessions Rev'd Kaz Stanton

Sermon Rev'd Kaz Stanton

Music Keith Munday

### **PRAYERS**

If you would like to make a prayer request for yourself or on behalf of someone else (with their permission), then please contact Alex Potts at St Peter's House, Mike Whiting, Giselle Rusted, or Kaz Stanton.

#### **Unwell:**

Kevin Gregory

# **NOTICES**

### PAINT THE CHURCH GREEN COURSE

The Garden Room, St Peter's House Starting Monday 8th November at 7.30pm

Paint the Church Green explores the relationship between faith and concern for the natural world. By learning about environmental issues, unsustainable development and the link with global poverty, it reflects on western lifestyle and encourages positive suggestions for change.

The course will cover topics, such as:

People and Planet, Food and Drink, Battling the Elements, Energy for the Future, Abundant Life, and Covenant with Creation

The course will be weekly on a Monday through to 20th December. Full dates of sessions to be confirmed. Contact Chris Graham if you'd like to join (chris\_graham@btinternet.com).

# **CADISHEAD BRASS BAND**

St Elizabeth's Church
Tuesday 7th December at 7.30pm

Start the Christmas celebrations early this year with a brass band carol concert live at St Elizabeth's, by the brilliant Cadishead Brass Band.

Mince pies and mulled wine will be readily available on the evening. More details to follow.



### **NEW OFFICE HOURS AT ST PETER'S HOUSE:**

9.30am to 4.30pm, Monday to Friday