

May 2024

Introducing Lisa Quinn- New Parish Safeguarding Officer

Lisa Quinn will take over as Parish Safeguarding Officer. In this role Lisa will support Mark and the PCC meet their responsibilities to safeguard vulnerable adults and children. She will be available to any child or adult to speak to regarding any concerns about a child or vulnerable adult and communicate with the Diocesan Safeguarding Officer as appropriate. Lisa will coordinate DBS checks and ensure that paid staff and volunteers are safely recruited and have attended the relevant training.



'Hi, my name is Lisa, and along with my husband Sean, I have been worshipping at St Peter's since post Covid. We became Christians 25 years ago whilst living in London, which is where our two daughters, Maddie and Evelyn, were born. Maddie is an Art Teacher and Evelyn is a trainee lawyer. To my delight both girls returned to Bristol following university and are regular visitors.

I have recently retired having worked in corporate banking for 18 years and a further 20 years in school business management. My passion is all things craft, particularly patchwork and quilting, or as my family describe it "cutting up fabric and sewing it back together". Being Welsh, I am an avid Welsh rugby fan and really enjoy shouting at the TV during the Six Nations. Other interests include dog walking on the Downs or Welsh costal path, eating out and visiting Orpheus cinema.'

Eco Committee update – Solar Panels

You may have seen the solar panels on the roof of the church hall. These are now up and running, helping to reduce our carbon footprint and improve our environment. The System has been operating for a month and in that time has supplied the Hall with 72% of its electricity. The effect on the Environment has been to save 120kg of CO2, the equivalent of planting 8 trees. See below for a more detailed report about how this improvement has come about and what we might achieve. We intend to publish these figures regularly to keep you informed of our progress.

Report on the Installation of Solar Panels at St Peter's

During the discussions we held in the run-up to 'Going for Gold' one of the actions on our list was to investigate the possibility of installing Photovoltaic Panels on the roof of the Hall to generate some of our own electricity. We held talks with 3 different companies and decided to work with a local renewable energy company 'Ecocetera'. A specification was agreed and 16 photovoltaic cells have been installed on the South facing roof of the Hall. These feed an Inverter which converts the Direct Current (DC) electricity to Alternating Current (AC) electricity for use in the Hall. It also diverts any surplus DC electricity to charge a 9.2 kWh Battery Pack. The purpose of this is to store the surplus energy and reuse it when the Panels are no longer generating. The system will also allow us to feed any further surplus back to the Electricity Grid for which we will get paid once we have negotiated the relevant Tariff.

The likely annual yield of the System is 6,281 kWh of electricity. This is about 50% of our annual usage, and for those who can't envisage what a kWh (kilowatt hour) is, 'a single bar electric fire will burn 1kW of electricity in an hour, thus what is now seen as a standard 3 bar electric fire will burn 3kwh's of energy in 1 hour'.

Save the Date - Swap Day 8 June

As part The Great Big Green Week (8-16 June) we will be holding a swap day in church. Start saving your good quality unwanted books, plants, kitchenalia, games and jigsaws. More information to follow. If you would like to help or have more ideas for our event, please contact Kathy Kilgour or Clare Fussell.



Month Ahead May 2024

Thurs 2 nd	POLLING STATION IN CHURCH	
	10.30am	Communion Service in Meeting Room followed by
		refreshments
Sat 4 th	10.30am	Coffee and Chat
Sun 5 th	8.00am	Communion Service
Easter 6	10.00am	'All In' Communion Service followed by refreshments
	7.30pm	Contemplative Service- Zoom
Thurs 9 th	10.30am	Communion Service followed by refreshments
Ascension Day	7.30pm	Ascension Day Service
Friday 10 th	3.00pm	Fellowship Group in Hall Meeting Room
	7.30pm	Café Create in Church
Sat 11 th	10.30am	Coffee and Chat
Sun 12 th	8.00am	Communion Service
Easter 7	10.00am	Communion Service followed by refreshments
	11.30am	APCM in Church
	7.30pm	Contemplative Service- Zoom
Mon 13 th	2.00pm	Senior Film Club in Hall
	7.30pm	SPH Youth Group meet in church
Wed 15 th	2.00pm	Ladies Guild – National Trust Speaker 'Tyntesfield'
Thurs 16 th	10.30am	Communion Service followed by refreshments
Sat 18 th	10.30am	Coffee and Chat
Sun 19 th	8.00am	Communion Service
Pentecost	10.00am	'All In' Communion Service followed by refreshments
	7.30pm	Contemplative service- Zoom
Mon 20 th	7.30pm	SPH Youth Group meet in church
Thurs 23 rd	10.30am	Communion followed by refreshments
Fri 24 th	7.00pm	Fellowship Group- Hall Meeting Room
Sat 25 th	12.00pm	Wedding – Beau Diamond & Naomi Killick
Sun 26 th	8.00am	Communion Service
Trinity Sunday	10.00am	'All In' Communion Service followed by refreshments
	7.30pm	Contemplative Service- Zoom
Mon 27 th	7.30pm	SPH Youth Group meet in church
Thurs 30 th	10.30am	Communion followed by refreshments

Further information is available www.stpetershenleaze.org or from the Parish Office Tues, Wed & Fri 9.00am-12.00pm tel 0117 962 4524