

St Peter's, Chantilly

To belong to Jesus Christ - To live for his glory



Welcome to St Peter's

St Peter's Church has been the focal point of the Anglophone community in the Chantilly area for over 150 years. Our community extends as far as Beauvais and Montmorency. In 2017 we had an interregnum of 10 months during which time our Churchwardens organized the locum chaplains and kept the whole church running smoothly. We are really grateful to Nick and Geoff for their commitment and ministry.

We have many reasons to give thanks to God for during the year, including our vibrant and international community, events and successful fundraising.

Our regular congregation is between 60 and 90 people, with children and young people representing about 30%. There are five home groups spread across the greater Chantilly area.

In Advent we studied 'Exploring God's Mercy' and ran an additional central group.

Occasional services during the year included 2 funerals, 1 wedding and 3 Baptisms. We also had services for and about Human Trafficking; A Remembrance service and a Harvest Festival was celebrated Café style with Breakfast in the Church Centre. At Christmas there was a Christingle Service with a nativity; a Candlelight Carol Service with a choir, a Midnight service and Christmas Day Communion.



The normal pattern of services is:

1st Sunday	9:00 Holy Communion BCP 10.30 Service of the Word
2nd Sunday	10.30 Holy Communion with lunch
3rd Sunday	9.00 Holy Communion BCP 10.30 Service of the Word
4th Sunday	10.30 Holy Communion

Some of the highlights of 2017

A note from the Churchwardens

Licencing of our new Chaplain Rev'd Sarah Tillett



The highlight of 2017 was Sarah's arrival in June after an interregnum of 10 months. It was wonderful to welcome many leaders from other churches in the area and guests from the Chantilly local government at her Licensing. Prior to her arrival we were privileged to welcome Chris Martin, John Dinnen and John Samways as locum chaplains before Bishop Peter returned to us in May. Also we were very grateful that Chris could

return to lead worship while Sarah was recovering from her operation in the summer. As Churchwardens we would like to express our gratitude to Barbara, the Chaplaincy Council, and others who supported us through the interregnum!
Geoffrey Dys and Nick Sansbury

In September we opened the Church all weekend for the Journee du Patrimoine as part of the Town of Chantilly treasure hunt. Over 100 families participated.



Youth and Children's Ministry

In the Summer, the Way went to Soul Survivor and had a wonderful time. Led by Tiffany and her amazing team. The Youth group has grown with up to 20 young people, some who moved up from the Sunday School in September



The number of regular children who attend Sunday School averages between 5 and 10 but in addition we might have children bringing friends or French speakers wanting to come and learn English. September saw our teaching focus shift slightly to a younger audience as new children came and a number of children moved up to The

Way. Our desire is to cater for all so that each child would know who God is, and what He has done according to His Word.



Music Ministry

2017 has been a very busy year for those involved in our weekly church music. Out in the community, there was a time of joyful carol singing at the Christmas Kermesse, contributing to the festive spirit, and enthusiastic carol singing in Chantilly Market Place for the shoppers and passers-by.



In December, it was with great pleasure that I was again able to head up our pop-up choir for the December evening Carol Service.

St Peter's continued development as a beautiful venue for quality musical concerts. In March we had the pleasure of welcoming Jean- Marie Slonski and friends with his jazzy bossa compositions. In May a packed church was treated to the stunning acapella vocals of Yale University's Redhot and Blue choir, raising much-needed funds for the Renovation Fund. In June, Linda Weber and her ladies' "Harmonie" choir did their first concert with us, with Christian music of varying styles, all sung from the heart with much energy and enthusiasm! With the Harvard Din and Tonics planning a concert in June 2018 we look forward to continuing opening up St Peter's to the wider community as a venue for beautiful music.

Restoration Work

A major project in 2017 was the refurbishment of the Chaplain's Apartment. The second project was restoration of the perimeter boundary wall and repair to the iron fencing railings. These works were undertaken at a cost of €45000 and again was made possible to undertake through fundraising events organised by the Restoration Project Fund Raising team supplemented with grants from statutory authorities.

After a pause for breath in 2018 we will restore the church garden to its former glory.



Ecumenical Relationships

During the year we have been involved in various ecumenical services including Unité des Chrétiens in January. In November a group from Chantilly attended the 'Commemorons ensemble La Reforme Conference'.



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Looking ahead in 2018

Following a Council away day we identified our vision for 2018 - 2019

- Growing in our intimacy with God
- Sharing the love of God amongst each other
- Being the love of God by supporting people in need and creation care

Our priorities

- Focusing on our home groups to strengthen our pastoral care and fellowship
- Safeguarding vulnerable adults and children
- Identifying projects with refugees, asylum seekers victims of human trafficking
- Building on our Ecumenical relationships through local churches
- Becoming an environmentally responsible community
- Stewardship