

What's happening next week?

Monday 11th March

- 9:15am Refresh
- 1:00pm Funeral of Mary Morris-Jones
- 7:30pm Bell ringers
- 7:30pm 18-30s

Tuesday 12th March

- 9:30am - 11:00am Make & Play
- 8:00pm Home Groups meet

Wednesday 13th March

- 9:30am Ladies Bible Study
- 8:00pm LINK

Thursday 14th March

- 11:00am Morning Knit & Natter
- 12:00pm - 2:00pm Soup & Sandwiches
- 7:30pm 1eighty

Friday 15th March

- 7:30pm Music Practice

Diocesan Events

Details of diocesan events can be found at:
www.peterborough-diocese.org.uk/events

Electoral Roll 2019 - Please complete your forms

There is still time to be included on the Electoral Roll for St Botolph's. Application forms are available in church. You can also apply online from the St Bots website if you prefer. Click on the "Electoral Roll 2019" link on the home page. Qualifying criteria are explained on the forms.

CLOSES SOON

The Meaningful Chocolate Co Real Easter Egg

The Original Real Easter Egg, the first and only Fairtrade chocolate Easter egg to explain the Christian understanding of Easter. An alternative to the usual chocolate brand eggs. They are available at Tesco and www.eden.co.uk.



Included is the Easter story-telling book illustrated by award winning artist Martina Peluso and contains the story of the First Easter along with some fun activities.

Services at St Botolph's Sunday 17th March

- 8:00am Holy Communion
- 9:15am Morning Service
- 11:00am Morning Service
- 6:30pm Lent Course Evening Service

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St Botolph's Church
Family News
10th March 2019
First Sunday of Lent



Welcome

Services 10th March

- 9:15am **Morning Service**
Exodus 19:16 - 25 p61
- 11:00am **Morning Service**
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- 6:30pm **Lent Course Evening Service**
1 John 4:7-17 p1023



"Then Moses brought the people out of the camp to meet God, and they took their stand at the foot of the mountain."

Exodus 19:17

PCC Elections at St Botolph's APCM

St Botolph's APCM is on **8th April 2019** at 7:45pm. 3 PCC lay members will be at the end of their current term and are eligible to stand for re-election. Additionally there are 2 vacancies that were not filled in 2018. Nominations are now open for these positions and the 2 Church Warden posts. Forms are in church. Anybody on the church electoral roll for 2019 is eligible to stand.

Light blue forms are for Church Warden nominations.

Yellow forms are for PCC nominations.

Please return completed forms to church office. Nominations close on 25th March.

5K at Barton Seagrave Village Hall

Come and share the vision on **Thursday 21st March from 8-9pm**, in the Panelled Room, Church House.

Find out what 5K is, and how you can be involved; planning and praying.

All welcome. (Mark 6:37-44)



FLOWER ARRANGERS WANTED

Sandy Frost urgently needs a few people to help her plan for and ultimately set up the Flower Festival planned for "Festival 900+" in May 2020. Please make your offer known to her, either direct or by sending an e-mail to d.wade73@btinternet.com. May 2020 seems a long way ahead, but the envisioning and planning is happening now, and with Sandy being so poorly, she needs the help now.

SLAVKO HADZIC MOVES ON

Our dear friend and brother from Sarajevo has now informed us officially that he has felt called by God to develop his ministry away from Evangelical Church Kosevsko Brdo. He has carried out all the usual consultations, and is in the process of setting up a new Institute for the education and training of pastors and preachers. In addition to this, his involvement with Langham Preaching, through which his international ministry has been blossoming, has been increased. We wish Slavko every success, and promise him our prayers.

As of 1st February, Slavko has handed over the role of Pastor to **Dragan Nedic**. Derek Wade has known Dragan for as long as he has known Slavko. A fine man, with a family, he already has experience as a Pastor, as well as

that of heading up the humanitarian organisation, Agape, in Bosnia & erzegovina. He already has financial support from a church in Sweden.

The St Botolph's Missions Task Group has decided that the money we designate from our missions budget towards Slavko's salary will continue, helping to support him in his new role.

It has also decided that the change of Pastor does not change our relationship with the church itself, and that our Twinning commitment will continue, along with all that entails, including the designation of a substantial portion of our Harvest for the Hungry gift to support their Humanitarian programme.

EXTRACT FROM RECENT LETTER FROM DRAGAN NEDIC, NEW PASTOR OF SARAJEVO CHURCH.

Dear Derek
Thank you so much for your congratulation! I was so surprised when Slavko's invitation came and it really took me by surprise. I thought that my pastoring days are gone and I had good rhythm in life, teaching and preaching in different churches in Bosnia. But, it seems that God wanted it differently and I am honoured and blessed to be in pastoring role again.

Here are some basic information about my family: My wife is Sandra, she is person who loves helping others so it is not a surprise that she already became very involved in our humanitarian

work. Also, she is helping 10 kids in one of Sarajevo's schools, primarily Roma children, primarily with mathematics and physics. She is working with them for 5 years now and hopefully this summer they will all graduate. My older son is Marko, he is finishing his Bachelor degree as IT engineer and, if God will bless all this, he should continue with another two years of Master studies. More important, he is honestly one decent human being and nice fellow all around, including his Christian testimony of young guy in the city with few Christians who is fighting to stay clean and share his testimony. He is 22. My younger son is Stefan, he is 18, for us this was a huge victory since doctors opinion

was that he would not reach the age of 3. He still needs 24 hour care and we are all sharing in this because we love him a lot and he is such an easy guy to love. God taught us through him to live day by day, try to enjoy happy and peaceful days and to live through those days that are not so pleasant.

I am looking forward to seeing you again here in Sarajevo. I am thankful for your support in prayers and material way since we need all the help we can get and, as I understood from Slavko, you were faithful in providing backup and encouragement for many, many years. Please pass my warmest greetings to Mark and all congregation.

In His love, Dragan

Help us to enfold our church family with prayer. Please pray for these people this week:

- Heather & Don Cash
- Graham Bell
- Philippa Simper
- Sandy & Steve Frost
- Rachel Samways & family
- Lindsey & Phil Burch & family
- Pat Thomas
- Ron & Christine Eyre
- Bob Hart



St. Botolph's Visiting Team

Please let one of our visiting team know if there is anyone you think would appreciate a visit.

Alice Spence - 726291

Kate Curnock - 484555

Nancy Williams - 516133

Gloria Smith - 723193

Clergy Rest Days w/c 11th March

Mark Lucas - Friday

Andy Clark - Monday

10-12 April (10am-1pm)

For school years 1-6

Cost £15

To book your place click the 'Holiday Club' link on

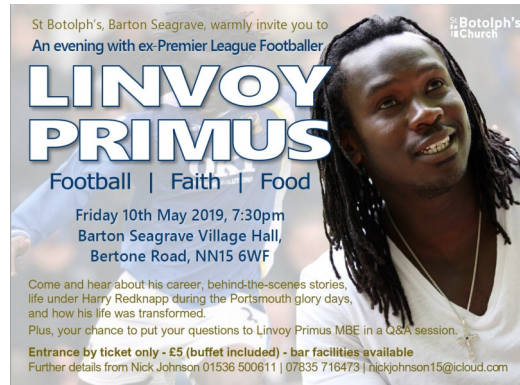
www.stbots.church St Bot's KIDS

TICKETS STILL AVAILABLE

Freewill Offering (Envelope) Scheme 2018/2019

Our thanks to all of you who choose to give to God's work using the envelope scheme. The envelopes for this tax year are in a box at the back of the church near the font. Please could you take your envelopes. If you are able to deliver to those who may live nearby but aren't able to come to church at the moment that would be very helpful.

This year there have been a few changes to the numbers so it would be helpful administratively if you could place your remaining envelopes for this tax year in the collection plate by April 5th 2019. Please contact Mary-Ann Ansdell on 01536 392553 with any queries.



Church Weekend 2019

Church Weekend this year will be on

Saturday & Sunday 7th & 8th September.

We are privileged to have Roger Carswell as the principal speaker.

Booking forms now in church.

St Botolph's Church
Good News for Barton Seagrave

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