



Weekly News

8th December 2019

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St Peter's Church, Cambridge Road, Harrogate, HG1 1PB

The Autumn Term at St Peter's School

It's **rained** and **rained** and **rained** and **rained** and **rained** (5 Rs). At St Peter's School we use the 5 Rs with the children to promote positive learning behaviour and these are 'The Keys to Success'.

Relationships

We welcomed 42 new children to our School, and they have settled really well thanks to the brilliant staff team and the strong relationships we have in School.

Resourceful

We have been very resourceful this term. *Enterprise Week* in December saw the children come up with some fantastic ideas of how to grow a pound for profit and they made a lot of money at the Christmas Fair.

Risk Taking

The Year 5 and 6 children took part in an amazing outdoor pursuits week at Bewerley Park in October. They participated in rock climbing, canoeing, gorge walking and even took the 'Leap of Faith'!

Resilience

We've had to be very resilient this term when the cellar flooded with all the rain which left us without heating for a day. Getting through the UCI World Cycling Championships also proved a challenge.

Reflection

We have had some wonderful reflection time during our daily worship, and we have a really strong link with St Peter's Church as Alan Garrow and Chris Clayton both regularly lead our worship in School. Our Harvest service at St Peter's Church was very well attended - our Young Leaders then helped to distribute the food that had been donated in Church that evening.



It's been a very busy term so now it's time to **rest**, **relax** and **recharge** in order that we return for the new term **restored** and **renewed** to shine and share our light.

Julia Collins, *Headteacher St Peter's CE Primary School*



Come for lunch next Sunday

The Sunday Lunch Club meets again next Sunday 15th December. It is open to everyone and there's no need to book or bring anything – but any donations towards the cost, however small, are always gratefully received! Lunch will be served at 1:00 pm. Contact Hannah Beck (07503 186455) or Yvonne Dawes (07960 779381) for more information.

St Peter's Afternoon Fellowship

The next Afternoon Fellowship is tomorrow, Monday 9th December, from 2:00 – 4:00 pm, when Fran and Duncan Goodwin will provide the entertainment. Please call Gillian Taylor on 01423 500482 for further details.

St Peter's Christmas Fair a great success!

An amazing total of £3,255 was raised at the Christmas Fair, all for the charities that St Peter's is supporting this year. Barbara Agar would like to thank everyone who helped in any way to make it such a success. She says, '*Louise Knight has decided to stand down from organising the rota. Ann Pawson will take up the reins again. Many thanks to Louise for her hard work and to Ann for taking up the challenge.*' And thank you Barbara and all the Parish Events Team for your hard work, too. Well done!

Thank you Net Casters! The Advent 2019 edition of THE NET, our Parish Newsletter, came out last Sunday. If you have not already done so, please collect your newsletters today and deliver them as soon as you are able.

In Dulci Jubilo
A feast of Christmas music old and new

vocalis
Conducted by Alexander Kyle

St Aidan's Chamber Choir
Conducted by Mark Pallant

St Wilfrid's Church
Duchy Road
Harrogate HG1 2EY

Sunday 8th December 2019
3.30pm

Adults £12, Students £5
includes a glass of wine or soft drink
Under 19s and carers accompanying people requiring assistance free

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HARROGATE BAND **JF Music**

COME JOIN THE HARROGATE BAND AND ST JOHN FISHERS CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL CHOIRS FOR AN EVENING OF FESTIVE MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT.....

Festive Brass & Voices

Friday 13th December 2019
7.30PM
St Peter's Church, Harrogate,
HG1 1RW

TICKETS £8
CONCESSIONS £6
TICKETS AVAILABLE ON THE DOOR
www.harrogateband.org
secretary@harrogateband.org

Archbishops call for tolerance and respect

In their General Election message, Archbishops Justin Welby and Dr John Sentamu encourage people to play their part in the political process but also to uphold the Christian values of truth, humility and love.

"It is time to set aside apathy and cynicism and to be people of hope," they say. "We often forget that our political leaders face huge responsibilities and challenges, and these come with personal sacrifices too. In our prayers for this election we should be thankful for those who put themselves forward for public service and ask that they will seek the common good and justice. We should take part, as important decisions are being made that will affect us all. That includes fulfilling our democratic duty to vote." The message also calls on Christians to reject the 'language of prejudice', particularly at a time when several groups - especially in Jewish and Muslim communities - feel threatened. To read the full text of the Archbishops' election message visit www.churchofengland.org.



Christmas Parcels for families in need and the elderly

Can you help us deliver our Christmas Parcels on Friday 13th December from 11:00 am – 1:00 pm? If you have a car and are able to do this, then please let Patricia Stableford (526767), Alan Garrow or Carole Raw in the Parish Office (568218) know as soon as possible. Thank you!

St Peter's Christmas Tree Festival

- Free -
Admission

Sat. 7th – Sat. 14th December 2019
9:30 am to 4:00 pm daily*

Come and see our fantastic
display of decorated trees!

Hang a message on
our Tree of
Remembrance

Vote for your
favourite Christmas
trees!

Festive fun
for everyone!

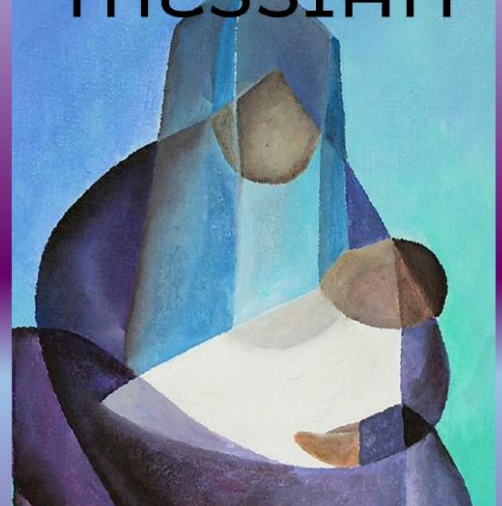
St Peter's Church, Cambridge Road, Harrogate HG1 1RW
*Church services & events permitting

Heather Jane Taylor
Soprano
Lucy Morton
Mezzo-soprano
Toby Ward
Tenor
Andrew Greenan
Bass
John Longstaff
Director

Choir of St Peter's
Church
Vocalis directed by
Alexander Kyle
Harrogate Handel
Players led by Fiona
Love

Handel

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Tuesday 17th December 2019 at 7.15pm
St Peter's Church Harrogate
Tickets £12 from:

St Peter's Parish Office 01423 568218 Mon-Fri
www.eventbrite.co.uk
(booking fee applies)
or on the door



Today's Services: 8th December 2019

The Second Sunday of Advent

8:30 Holy Communion

9:30 Family Communion

There is Sunday Club for school age children today – please gather in the café area at the front of Church at the start of the service.

Pre-schoolers and their parents are welcome to stay in this area, where there are toys and activities to share for the whole service.

Hymns 739, 1030, 742, 897

Readings Romans 15 v 4 - 13
Matthew 3 v 1 - 12

Preacher: Sarah Martin

11:00 Choral Matins

Setting Jackson in G (Benedicite)

Hymns 26, 93, 29

Psalm 80

Readings Amos 7
Luke 1 v 5 - 20

Anthem I sing of a maid (*Jack Longstaff*)

Preacher: Sarah Martin

4:15 Afternoon Church *Service of the Word*

Preacher: Alan Garrow

6:30 Choral Evensong

Setting Byrd (Second Service)

Hymns 24, 40, 608

Psalm 40

Readings 1 Kings 18 v 17 - 39
Matthew 3 v 1 - 12

Anthem Ascribe unto the Lord (*SS Wesley*)

Preacher: Sue Pearce



Our Duty Wardens today are:

Paul Medforth and

Richard Harrison



At the 9:30 Service we offer prayer with laying on of hands. If you would like this ministry, please come up to receive the bread and wine (or a blessing) in St Mary's Chapel and wait behind in the pews there.

Please pray for those who have asked for our prayers:

Nicky Aitken, Tim Akers, Pat Anderson, Peggy-Anne Binder, Ruth Bowes, Mary Burcher, Louise Emrullahu, Pam Gardiner, Gill Gibson, Vicky Harrison, Edna Hodgkiss, Sian Lockwood, Charlie Martineau, Peggy Palmer, Alan Richardson, Frances Roxby-Proud, Colin Sinclair and Keith Ward.

Also in our prayers this week:

- Mon** The *Weekly News* Editorial Team
Saskia Jones and Jack Merrit, the two young people stabbed to death near London Bridge
- Tues** St Peter's Animal Welfare Group
All attending our Healing Service
- Wed** St Peter's Afternoon Fellowship
The work of Christian Aid
- Thurs** St Peter's Sacristans
The General Election taking place today
- Fri** Patricia Stableford,
Churchwarden
All those elected as our new members of parliament
- Sat** Stewart Davies, Lay Reader
The Bible Study Group

Daily Readings

Morning Prayer is at 8:00 am and Evening Prayer at 5:00 pm daily. These are the Bible readings we will be using in Church each morning this week. Why not read them at home if you are unable to come to the service?

- Mon** Psalm 30
Isaiah 30 v 1 - 18
Matthew 14 v 1 - 12
- Tues** Psalm 56
Isaiah 30 v 19 to end
Matthew 14 v 13 to end
- Wed** Psalm 62
Isaiah 31
Matthew 15 v 1 - 20
- Thurs** Psalm 54
Isaiah 32
Matthew 15 v 21 - 28
- Fri** *Lucy, Martyr at Syracuse*
Psalm 86
Isaiah 33 v 1 - 22
Matthew 15 v 29 to end
- Sat** *John of the Cross, Poet*
Psalm 42
Isaiah 35
Matthew 16 v 1 - 12

The Collect for the Second Sunday of Advent

O Lord, raise up, we pray, your power and come among us, and with great might succour us; that whereas, through our sins and wickedness we are grievously hindered in running the race that is set before us, your bountiful grace and mercy may speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit, be honour and glory, now and for ever.

or

Almighty God, purify our hearts and minds, that when your Son Jesus Christ comes again as judge and saviour we may be ready to receive him, who is our Lord and our God.

What's on This Week

Morning Prayer is at 8:00 am and Evening Prayer at 5:00 pm daily

St Peter's Christmas Tree Festival – *Come and see our amazing display of decorated Christmas Trees and then, for a small donation, vote for your favourites! The winners will be announced on Sunday 15th December at our Family Communion Service.*

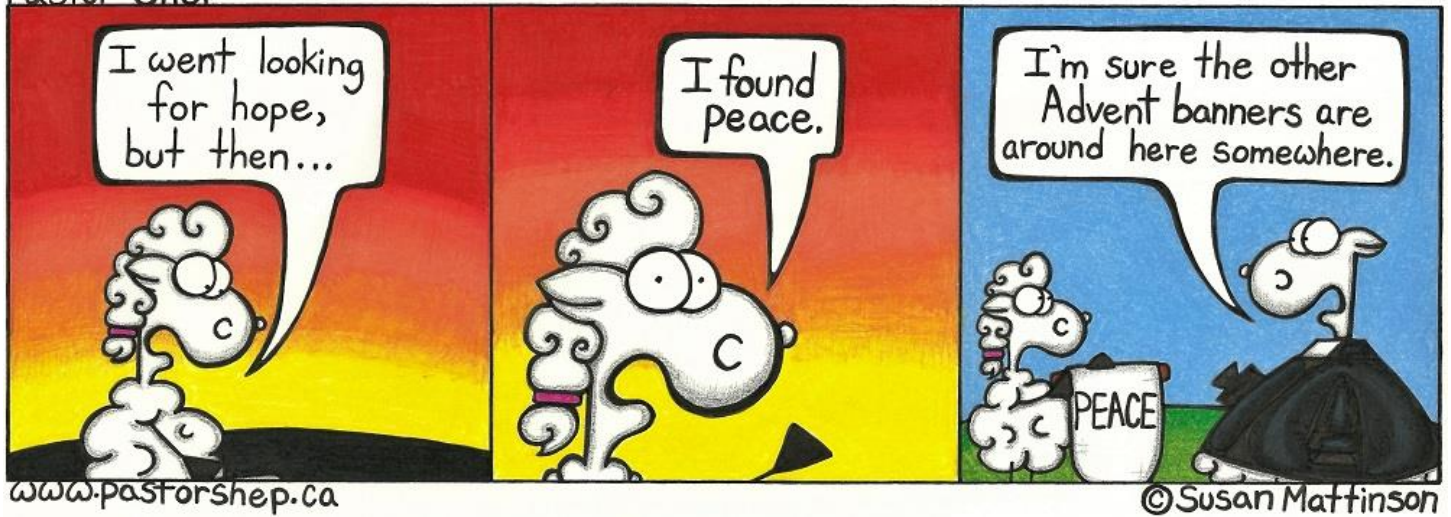
- Mon 9th** 1:30 pm **Thinking about God** discussion group in the Undercroft
 2:00 pm The Singing Folk group
 2:00 pm **St Peter's Afternoon Fellowship** at Gillian Taylor's
- Tues 10th** 9:30 am Brackenfield School Concert rehearsal
 10:00 am – 1:00 pm Rachel's Art Class in the Brostoff Hall
 12:30 pm Healing Service
 1:30 – 4:30 pm Rachel's Art Class in the Brostoff Hall
- Wed 11th** 9:00 am Bible RefleXions: view and discuss **Rich** from the
Nooma series by Rob Bell
 10:30 am Café RefleXion
 11:30 am Rethink Harrogate Support Group
 6:00 pm Brackenfield School Carol Concert
 7:30 pm *Messiah* rehearsal at Harrogate High School
- Thurs 12th** 9:30 am St Peter's Parent and Toddler Group
 11:00 am Holy Communion
 11:30 am Lunchtime RefleXion
 2:00 pm St Peter's Handbell Ringers at Wetherby Lodge
 7:30 pm Choir Practice
- Fri 13th** 9:30 am AA Meeting
 10:00 am St Peter's Cleaning Team
 7:00 pm NA Meeting
 7:30 pm **Festive Brass & Voices** concert with Harrogate Band
- Sat 14th** 10:00 am – 4:00 pm **St Peter's Music Group** are holding a
Refreshment Day – please pop in for coffee, tea, cakes or lunch!
- Sun 15th** 6:00 – 7:30 pm **Sanctuary**, our youth group
 1:00 pm **Sunday Lunch Club**

Next Sunday 15th December

The Third Sunday of Advent

- 8:30 Holy Communion
9:30 Family Communion
11:00 Choral Matins
4:15 Afternoon Church
 Crafternoon Church
6:30 Choral Evensong

The Breakfast Club provides a free, hot breakfast from Monday to Saturday (8:15 – 8:45 am) for all those who are hungry or in need. A hot Sunday lunch is also served at the Wesley Centre each week at 1:00 pm, except for the third Sunday of the month when it is here at St Peter's. Food parcels are available from 4:45 pm every day, except for Sundays, when it's 5:30 pm



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Registration for the Dayschool of Leeds School of Theology is now open

The Dayschool offers theological training spread over up to three years. This course covers 'Foundations in Christian Theology' in Years One and Two and 'Advanced New Testament Studies' in Year Three. It runs from January to November and the sessions are spread over ten Saturday sessions, one a month with a break in August and December, all held at the St George's Centre in Leeds city centre. The Leeds School of Theology is open to all and is an exciting opportunity for anyone wanting to gain a greater knowledge of God, Scripture and theology. Find out more at www.leeds-school-of-theology.org/dayschool.

You can download this listing of **Advent and Christmas at St Peter's** as a PDF in colour on our website, print it out, pin it up - and then you won't miss a thing!

Advent and Christmas 2019 at St Peter's

Saturday 30 th Nov	10:00 am - 4:00 pm	St Peter's Christmas Fair - festive food, stalls and fun!
December		
<i>St Peter's Christmas Tree Festival runs from 7th - 14th December, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm daily</i>		
Sunday 1 st	6:30 pm	First Sunday in Advent with our usual Sunday morning services Advent Candle Service with music by St Peter's Choir
Thursday 5 th	6:00 pm	Carols by Candlelight in aid of Artizan International (doors open from 5:30 pm for complimentary mulled wine and mince pies)
Saturday 7 th	10:00 am - 4:00 pm	Refreshment Day in aid of Amnesty International
Sunday 8 th	6:30 pm	Second Sunday in Advent with all our usual Sunday Services
Saturday 14 th	10:00 am - 4:00 pm	Refreshment Day held by St Peter's Music Group
Sunday 15 th	1:00 pm	Third Sunday in Advent with our usual Sunday Services Sunday Lunch Club at St Peter's
Tuesday 17 th	7:15 pm	Performance of Handel's Messiah
Thursday 19 th	9:30 am	St Peter's School Carol Service
Sunday 22 nd	6:30 pm	Fourth Sunday in Advent with our usual Sunday morning services Service of Nine Lessons and Carols - the traditional readings with carols and anthems led by St Peter's Choir
Tuesday 24 th	10:00 am - 12:00 pm 3:00 and 4:30 pm	Shoppers' Coffee and Carols relax and take a break Christingle Services led by our Music Group
Christmas Eve	6:30 pm 11:30 pm	Carols for Christmas Eve with St Peter's Choir Midnight Mass with St Peter's Choir
Wednesday 25 th	8:30 am	Holy Communion
Christmas Day	9:30 am 11:00 am	Family Communion Christmas Morning Service
Sunday 29 th	11:00 am	The First Sunday of Christmas with our usual Sunday services
Tuesday 31 st	4:00 - 6:00 pm	Pray for 2020: light a candle and pray for our nation and the world
New Year's Eve	11:30 pm	Watchnight Service: bring in the New Year by candlelight

Happy Christmas and a peaceful New Year from everyone at St Peter's Church!

Refreshments are served after each of our Sunday morning services from the kitchen area at the front of Church. Please come and join us



Next Week's Deadline

The deadline for the next edition of the Weekly News (15th December) will be noon on Wednesday 11th December. Please send any items (including photos) to Alan Garrow **or** to Marian Chambers (addresses below).



If your group is taking a break over the Christmas period, then please let me know as soon as possible. Thank you!

Marian Chambers (*Editor*)

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Come along to **Crafternoon Church** next Sunday 15th December at 4:15pm. Make yourself a cracker (adults too), decorate a biscuit or make paper aeroplanes! Everybody welcome!



WELCOME

We're so glad you're here!

New to St Peter's? Please fill in one of the welcome cards in the pews and hand it to one of the clergy.