



Weekly News

19th April 2020

The Second Sunday of Easter

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Finlay keeping his Scout promise!



10 year old Finlay Cochrane, who comes to our 9:30 am Communion Service with his family, has been helping other people recently.

Finlay belongs to the 14th Harrogate Scouts and decided to complete his Personal Challenge Award by organising a food collection in his neighbourhood for St Peter's Church.

With the agreement of his Scout leader, the Vicar and his parents, Finlay gave up his exercise time to leaflet 250 homes and collect the food. The response was overwhelming with loads of donations and notes of support and encouragement left out for him. Alan Garrow, the Vicar at St Peter's, said, "How do people get tins to St Peter's during lockdown? Finlay to the rescue! A great piece of initiative that provided just what was needed."

Thank you so much, Finlay!

Readings for Sunday 19th April

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Old Testament	Exodus 14 v 10 to end and 15 v 20 - 21
Gospel	John 20 v 19 to end
Epistle	Acts 2 v 14a v 22 - 32



A chaplain's view – the Coronavirus pandemic

*I wanted to share this article from the Church of England website by the **Revd Mia Kyte Hilborn**, Chaplaincy Team Leader for Guy's and St Thomas's NHS Foundation Trust in London – please keep all hospital chaplains in your prayers.*

It is an incredible place to work in such times; people really matter and no more so than in a hospital where there are COVID-19 patients. This is not so much an acute major incident, but rather that the whole country is working on a chronic critical timescale.

The outpouring of gratitude from the public has left many doctors, nurses, therapists and paramedics choked. There have been toilet rolls, tandooris, leeks and potatoes, which have appeared at the hospital, and hard-working cleaners and clinical staff have been delighted to receive such gifts. Taxis and hotels have offered help, car parks are free and even the congestion charge is suspended.



Visiting on wards takes longer due to the personal protective equipment (PPE) and hand-washing that is essential before and after ministering to a patient, and due to increasing numbers of staff wanting support. Our chaplaincy team meets two or three times a day to learn about updates, to brief those taking over, to make sure no one has been forgotten, and to support each

other through these draining days. Chaplains are continuing to do the work they are called to do, albeit they are finding new ways to do it. Anointing via cotton buds, tele-chaplaining and no touching. It is hard to have a quiet supportive chat when you have to stand two metres apart, but it can be made to work. It is very weird though – roads are quiet, helicopters whirr overhead, soldiers are regularly seen and lots of people are working from home.

There are many sad times, and the resilience needed is high. Well-being zones are being set up all over the country, staff support is essential, so that they can care for the very sick patients. Here, chaplains say daily prayers for the sick and the dying, remembering the staff who are caring for those patients, and we stand in place of the relatives who cannot come in. We light a candle, stand for a minute's silence, we say a psalm, usually 23 or 121, we pray, and we say the Lord's Prayer. And I think it is very right we are here.

Please pray for those who have asked for our prayers:

Nicky Aitken, Pat Anderson, Ruth Bowes, Mary Burcher, Louise Emrullahu, Cathy Fuller, Pam Gardiner, Vicky Harrison, David Hipkin, Edna Hodgkiss, Caroline Kelly, Sian Lockwood, Charlie Martineau, Peggy Palmer, Alan Richardson, Michele Roszak, Frances Roxby-Proud, Colin Sinclair and Keith Ward.

RIP – Margaret Hunter, Jack Longstaff and Bill Lunn

Also in our prayers this week:

- Mon** Healthcare workers
The thousands volunteering to help the NHS
- Tues** All who are affected by COVID-19
Those who mourn the 259 killed in the Easter bombings in Sri Lanka on this day last year
- Wed** Vulnerable children with safeguarding and welfare needs
The social services
- Thurs** All our emergency services
Our armed forces
- Fri** Those who are guiding our nation
Sir Patrick Vallance, Chief Scientific Adviser
- Sat** Sarah Martin, Lay Reader
Those feeling lonely and isolated

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 19
Exodus 15 v 1 - 21
Colossians 1 v 1 - 14
- Tues** *Anselm, Abbot of Le Bec, Archbishop of Canterbury*
Psalm 8
Exodus 15 v 22 – 16 v 10
Colossians 1 v 15 to end
- Wed** Psalm 30
Exodus 16 v 11 to end
Colossians 2 v 1 - 15
- Thurs** ***George, Martyr, Patron of England, 304***
Psalm 5
Joshua 1 v 1 - 9
Ephesians 6 v 10 - 20
- Fri** Psalm 61
Exodus 18 v 1 - 12
Colossians 3 v 12 – 4 v 1
- Sat** ***Mark the Evangelist***
Psalm 37 v 23 to end
Isaiah 62 v 6 - 10
Acts 12 v 25 – 13 v 13

The Collect for the Second Sunday of Easter

Almighty Father, you have given your only Son to die for our sins and to rise again for our justification:

grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness that we may always serve you in pureness of living and truth;

through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

or

Risen Christ, for whom no door is locked, no entrance barred:

open the doors of our hearts, that we may seek the good of others and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace, to the praise of God the Father.

Good Friday Family Service Crafts

The children were asked to make Lego Easter gardens, an Easter Angel or colourful crosses - then take pictures to send in. Here is just a small selection of their wonderful contributions:



Mia Edmundson with three of her colourful Good Friday crafts



Felix and Laina Smith with their Lego Easter scene



Will, Eva and Teddy Summerscales with their Easter garden



*An Easter Garden
made by the
Brewsters*



*The Last Supper by
Sophie and James
Weare*



*A beautiful, smiling
Easter Angel made by
Naomi Thompson-Vear*

With thanks to the *Crafternoon* Church Team - Ruth Thompson-Vear, Fiona Weare, Fiona Kinnear and Kate Edmonson – as well as Sarah Martin, Chris Clayton and **all** the families who took part.

St Peter's Church continues ...

St Peter's Church is closed for all purposes except for:

The Breakfast Club, which provides a free, takeaway breakfast from Monday to Saturday (8:20 – 8:45 am) for all those who are hungry or in need. A hot takeaway

Sunday Lunch is available at St Peter's Church each week from 1:00 – 1:30pm.

Hot takeaway food, tins and whatever else we have to give away is from 4:00 – 5:00 pm every day.



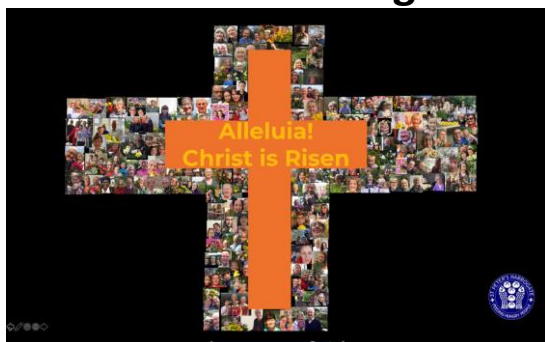
St Peter's is continuing to give out food **every day** to those in need. If you would like to donate something just like Finlay did, please bring it to Church from 8:00 – 9:00 am on Mondays to Saturdays, 1:00 – 2:00 pm on Sundays or 4:00 – 5:00 pm daily.

This Week's Worship

St Peter's is live streaming two services on Sundays – Holy Communion at 9:30 am and Choral Matins at 11:00 am – via Facebook or Zoom (full details and the links you need are on our website). Monday to Saturdays you can join in Morning Prayer at 8:00 am and Evening Prayer at 5:00 pm in the same way. Keep up to date at:

<https://stpetersharrogate.org.uk/music/worship/>

St Peter's Flowering Cross



The Flowering of the Cross created by Alan Garrow especially for Easter Sunday is now on our website!

Next Week's Deadline

The deadline for the next edition of the Weekly News (26th April) will be noon on Wednesday 22nd April. Please send any items (including photos) to Alan Garrow or to Marian Chambers (addresses below).

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