



# Weekly News

19<sup>th</sup> February 2017

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

## Welcome to St Peter's!



I heard a story recently about someone who visited a church and was frustrated by the fact that no one spoke to him. In the end he decided to take matters into his own hands. 'Hello, I'm new,' he said to the couple sitting next to him. 'Oh, so are we!' came their response. In a church like St Peter's newcomers and visitors join us pretty much every week. If that's you this week, then a special welcome to you.

If you've been attending for a while and you'd like to make more of a connection with St Peter's then do fill in a Welcome Card, available at the ends of the pews, and hand it to one of the clergy. This will enable us to invite you for a coffee in town or at the Vicarage.

Two other great ways to get to know us better are also available this Sunday. First, you are welcome to join us for Sunday lunch - at 1.00pm in Church. Alternatively, you could sign up for one of the *Faith Pictures* courses that will be running during the six weeks of Lent – starting after 1<sup>st</sup> March. The sign-up boards are available at the front of Church today (or in the Parish Office during the week).

You could also try turning to your neighbour and saying 'Hello, I'm new' – unless, of course, they get there first!

Alan Garrow (*Vicar*)

## Sunday Lunch Club Meets Today

It is open to everyone and there's no need to book or bring anything – although donations towards the cost will, of course, be very welcome! Lunch will be served at 1:00 pm. Please speak to Hannah Beck (07503 186455) or Yvonne Dawes (07960 779381) if you need to know more.



## Say it with Flowers



You can now mark a special occasion, such as an anniversary or birthday, by making a donation towards the flowers in Church. The St Peter's Flower Team makes beautiful floral displays throughout the year and is willing to make an arrangement on the pedestal to the left of the altar just for you. You will also receive a mention in the Weekly News (*see back page*). Please speak to Sue Heapy (07540 355305).

## Launch of the Harrogate Hub

After months of planning and preparation the Harrogate Hub at 39 Oxford Street was opened by the Bishop of Ripon, James Bell (*pictured here with Jo-Ann Hughes, the Director of The Hub*). The project aims to bring the Christian church community together and reach out to people of faith or no faith, who are feeling lonely or socially isolated. It will offer help, advice and a friendly word to anyone who calls in. Phone 01423 369393 or visit [www.theharrogatehub.org](http://www.theharrogatehub.org) to find out more.



## Splendour – a New Wine event



*New Wine* is a network of local churches working together to change the nation by showing the good news of the Kingdom of God to all. *Splendour* is a day conference for women to be inspired, challenged and empowered together. The main speakers are Rachel Gardner (founder of *Romance Academy*, an UK charity supporting talking with teens about healthy relationships) and Nicola Neal (director of *Revelation Life*, working in the poorest slum communities in Uganda). It's on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> March at Harrogate International Centre from 10:00 am – 4:30 pm. Book before midnight on 28<sup>th</sup> February and pay just £20 (£25 thereafter) at [www.new-wine.org/events](http://www.new-wine.org/events).

## Lent Courses at St Peter's



This year we are following the *Faith Pictures* course as introduced by its creator and author, Mike Starkey, during our morning services on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> February. The groups are meeting here in Church and at people's homes all over the Parish. All the groups start on or after Ash Wednesday, 1<sup>st</sup> March, and continue for six weeks through Lent. There are still places available, so sign up in Church today or contact the Parish Office (568218).

### Evening Fellowship

The next meeting of St Peter's Evening Fellowship will be their Annual General Meeting on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March in the Brostoff Hall at 7:30 pm.

### Graphic Designer Wanted

Members of the Communication Task Group have just completed a new illustrated short history of St Peter's, which is at the printers and will be available shortly. We have now begun to collect ideas and material with the intention of writing, and illustrating, a history of our Church for children. The aim is to inform the children within the congregation, visiting children and the children of our local schools from approximately Y6 to Y9.

We are good with words, but do not have the graphic design skills to produce a visually attractive leaflet. We are also aware of the cost that would be incurred should we have to pay for a commercial designer, so is there anyone in the St Peter's congregation who would be interested and willing to help us? If you feel that you would like to contribute your expertise please contact:

Stella Pilling at [stellap122b@aol.com](mailto:stellap122b@aol.com) or Christine McManus at [christine.a.mcmanus@btinternet.com](mailto:christine.a.mcmanus@btinternet.com)

### A New Part Time Caretaker for St Peter's

The beginning of March will mark an important change in our small staff team. We say goodbye and happy retirement to Ken Dickson, who has been our much appreciated Caretaker for the past 5 years, and welcome our new Caretaker, Nigel Bearcroft. Nigel, who previously spent thirty-two years in the RAF, is currently employed at Harewood House. He is officially due to start with us on 13<sup>th</sup> March - but you may well see him about the building before then. We are really delighted that Nigel has agreed to take on this important role - one that is essential to the smooth running of the multiplicity of church and community activities that take place here every day of every week.



# Today's Services: 19<sup>th</sup> February 2017

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday before Lent

**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** 1419, 1407, 1202, 1604

**Readings** Romans 8 v 18 - 25  
Matthew 6 v 25 to end

**Preacher:** Tim Hurren

**11:00 Choral Matins**

**Setting** Ireland in F (Jubilate)

**Hymns** 6, 494, 398

**Psalm** 136

**Readings** Job 38 v 1 - 21  
Colossians 1 v 15 - 20

**Anthem** Turn Back, O Man (*Holst*)

**Preacher:** John Longstaff

**Our Duty Wardens today are:**

Sian Lockwood and

Richard Harrison

**4:30 Afternoon Church** *Crafternoon Church Refreshments from 4.15*

**Hymns:** 1539

**Preacher:** Ruth Thompson-Vear

**6:30 Choral Communion**

**Setting** Stanford in B flat

**Hymns** 248, 271, 278, 427

**Readings** Romans 8 v 18 - 25  
Matthew 6 v 25 to end

**Anthem** Tantum Ergo (*de Séverac*)

**Preacher:** Sue Pearce



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:**

Derry Bentall, Patricia Campbell, Jane Crabtree, Denise Craven, Hilary Clark, Louise Emrullahu, Pam Gardiner, Vicky Harrison, Edna Hodgkiss, James and Maria, Betty Johnson, Phil Lang, Kath McGough, Marjorie Mills, Henry Pantin, Wendy Smith, Christine Steele, Aileen Taylor, Margaret Thackeray and Linda Ware.

**Also in our prayers this week:**

- Mon** St Peter's Players  
Ken Dickson, St Peter's retiring caretaker
- Tues** St Peter's Café RefleXions  
Wellspring Therapy
- Wed** Those living in poverty  
ActionAid UK
- Thurs** 10<sup>th</sup> Harrogate St Peter's Guides  
St Aidan's CE High School
- Fri** All whose lives are devastated by war and civil strife  
Médecin sans frontière
- Sat** Michael Hunter, retired priest  
Our homes, families, friends and all whom we love.

**The Collect for 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday before Lent**

Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the earth and made us in your own image:  
teach us to discern your hand in all your works and your likeness in all your children;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things, now and for ever.

**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 71  
Ecclesiastes 7 v 1 - 14  
John 19 v 1 - 16
- Tues** Psalm 73  
Ecclesiastes 7 v 15 to end  
John 19 v 17 - 30
- Wed** Psalm 77  
Ecclesiastes 8  
John 19 v 31 to end
- Thurs** Psalm 78 v 1 - 39  
Ecclesiastes 9  
John 20 v 1 - 10
- Fri** Psalm 55  
Ecclesiastes 11 v 1 - 8  
John 20 v 11 - 18
- Sat** Psalm 76  
Ecclesiastes 11 v 9 to end of 12  
John 20 v 19 to end



# What's on This Week

<b>Mon 20<sup>th</sup></b>	11:30 am Community Café 2:00 pm Shanty Folk Singers 7:30 pm Finance Task Group
<b>Tues 21<sup>st</sup></b>	12:30 pm Healing Service
<b>Wed 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	10:30 am Café RefleXion 6:30 pm NA Meeting
<b>Thurs 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	11:00 am Holy Communion 12:30 pm Lunchtime RefleXion 2:00 pm St Peter's Handbell Ringers at Wesley Chapel 7:00 pm Adult Confirmation Group at Tim Hurren's 7:30 pm Choir Practice
<b>Fri 24<sup>th</sup></b>	9:30 am AA Meeting 10:00 am St Peter's Cleaning Team 7:00 pm Bell Ringers
<b>Sat 25<sup>th</sup></b>	10:00 am – 4:00 pm Refreshments provided in aid of Harrogate Gilbert & Sullivan Society

## Saltmine Theatre Company coming to Harrogate

Saltmine Theatre Company is touring schools in North Yorkshire, including King James in Knaresborough and Harrogate Grammar, with an anti-extremism production in March. As a charity they depend on local contacts to host their actors – two girls and four boys – all aged between 19 and 25 years. They don't all have to stay together, but need bed and breakfast on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> March and Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March. If you wish to provide an evening meal, this is an extra blessing, but not obligatory. Please contact Joanna Bell, their Creative Arts Co-ordinator, on 01384 454807 or [creative@saltmine.org](mailto:creative@saltmine.org) if you are willing to host.

### Next Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> February

#### Sunday before Lent

8:30	Holy Communion
9:30	Family Communion
11:00	Choral Matins
4:30	Afternoon Church – <i>Celtic Worship</i>
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.

Food parcels are available from 4:45 pm every day, except for Sundays, when it's 5:30 pm.

## A thank-you letter from Mission Possible UK

This is part of a letter sent by Richard Wallis, who visited St Peter's with Nathan Amooti, Bishop of Cyanguu, in May 2016. Bishop Nathan spoke about his work in his Diocese in Rwanda partnering with the charity **Mission Possible UK**:

*Thank you so much for the gift of £500 from money raised at your Christmas Fair. This is wonderful and much valued by us. Please can you kindly thank everyone involved in raising this money at the Fair and also those who choose Mission Possible as one of the beneficiaries.*

*I suggest we use this gift for the Star School near Kigali which was founded by Bishop Nathan who visited St. Peter's in May last year. One of our objectives in 2017 is to start the process of making the school more disability friendly. This is quite a challenge as the school is built on the side of a hill! Projects will include not only installing ramps etc. but also in service training for the staff team. I am travelling to Rwanda in July with the recently retired International Director of CBM (a large overseas Christian disability charity) who happens to worship in the same church as me and he is the ideal person to guide us on how to progress all this.*



*Pupils at Star School, near Kigali, Rwanda*

*I have such good memories of our weekend with you in May and thank you again for remembering us in this practical way.*

*With much gratitude*

*Richard Wallis (Founder and Executive Director of Mission Possible)*

If you want to find out more about **Mission Possible UK** and its work in Rwanda, including the Star School, please visit [www.mpuk.org](http://www.mpuk.org).

## Men of the Dales Weekend

This is a weekend conference for Christian men organised by Holy Trinity Church, Ripon, at the Sneaton Castle Centre near Whitby, from 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> March – visit [www.menofthedales.com](http://www.menofthedales.com). for more information.

## Snowdrop Weekend at St Mary's Church

This two day festival at St Mary's Church, Swillington, about 20 miles away to the south of Leeds, takes place this year on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> February from 10:30 am – 3:30 pm and Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> February from 12:30 – 3:30 pm. You can stroll around the churchyard to admire the beautiful, natural display of snowdrops. There will be craft and book stalls and refreshments available. A short organ recital will be played at intervals each day.





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 (26<sup>th</sup> February) will be noon on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February. Please send any items (including photos) to Alan Garrow **or** to Marian Chambers at the addresses below.



The next Fundraising Refreshment Day to raise funds for our Church is on  
**Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> March**  
from 10:00 am – 4:00 pm.

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The flowers in Church today are to celebrate the  
**Ruby Wedding Anniversary of  
Rosemary and Angus Turner**



**New to St Peter's?** Please fill in one of the cards in the pews and also ask one of the clergy or sides persons for your welcome pack.