

# Weekly News

# 21<sup>st</sup> June 2020

The Second Sunday after Trinity

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

# St Peter's open for private prayer – what to expect

We plan to be open for private prayer from 12:00 - 2:00 pm Monday – Saturday starting on Monday  $22^{nd}$  June. Recognising the need to adapt to unknowns, our plans are as follows:

#### Enter by the South Entrance

Please use the foyer entrance, alongside Primark. If we find we need to change this arrangement, this entrance/exit will still be accessible for those with a disability.

#### Sanitise your hands in the foyer

Please use the sanitiser station before entering the worship space.

#### A Welcomer will greet you (at an appropriate distance)

There will always be at least two Welcomers on duty. If we have face masks available, you are welcome to take and use one – and to take it away with you. Masks are not mandatory on the basis that distance can be maintained.

#### Follow the one-way system

This runs down the South Aisle and then up the Centre Aisle. The pew runners have been removed to aid cleaning. The North Aisle pews are currently filled with stock for the takeaway food ministry – which has continued morning and evening throughout lockdown. There is no access to St Mary's Chapel.

#### Find a spacious place in a Centre Aisle pew

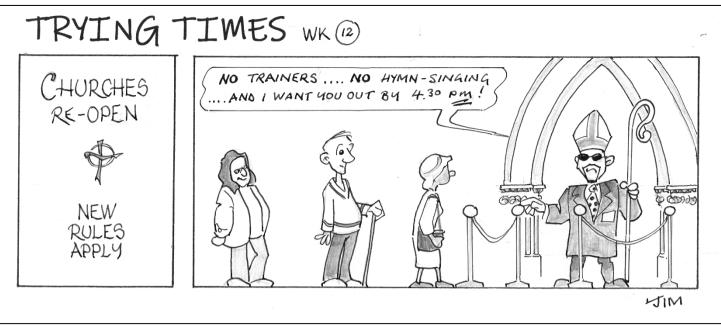
In the peace and calm of the worship space, take time to pray.

#### Leave by the South Door via the Glass Foyer

Continuing up the Centre Aisle, please follow the arrows and leave by the way you came in – maintaining distance from anyone entering the building.

#### Candles possibly but, sorry, no toilets

Depending on demand it may be possible to light a candle safely and sanitise your hands afterwards. The toilets will not be accessible.



## This week's online worship

Although St Peter's is open for private prayer from tomorrow, online worship continues with <u>9:30 am Holy Communion</u> and <u>11:00 am Matins or Holy Communion</u> (BCP) each Sunday – this week we welcome **Susie Hart MBE** as our preacher at both services. Susie will be speaking about her work as Director of <u>Artizan International</u>, the charity she set up to run weekly therapeutic craft workshops for adults with disabilities in the UK and to plant new social enterprises in the developing world to provide training and employment opportunities for people with disabilities living in extreme poverty.

Morning and Evening Prayer are at 8:00 am and 5:00 pm from Monday to Saturday – please come and join us, just follow the links for all the options and instructions.

### A different kind of Parish Walk



Helen Harrison is hoping to raise at least £500 to support our Church's mission to 'feed hungry people' by doing a sponsored Parish Walk. In 2019 she competed in the Isle of Man Parish Walk to raise money for Artizan International - the picture shows her with Susie Hart. On Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> June Helen will be joined by Jan Edwards and Gillian Thornton for part of the route, visiting thirteen parish churches in Harrogate and Knaresborough. If you would

like to support their efforts please visit their <u>Just Giving Crowdfunding Page</u> or email Helen (<u>helenudy@ntlworld.com</u>) and she will arrange to collect your donation.

#### Readings for Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> June The Second Sunday after Trinity

Old Testament Gospel Epistle

Isaiah 58 v 6 - 11 Matthew 10 v 29 – 31 Romans 6 v 1b - 11



#### Welcome to St Peter's Church

We are pleased that you have chosen to come in and, if you've come for a time of reflection and prayer, we hope you will find peace and a closeness to God. For many people, not to be able to enter our church building over the past few months has been a serious deprivation. Re-entry will feel like a joyful homecoming, a long-awaited return from exile with an opportunity to celebrate the presence of the risen Christ in our midst. For others, feelings of grief and loss will be dominant; few people have been unaffected by illness and death. Here are some prayers you might want to use when you enter this church for the first time since the lockdown:

Almighty God, Keep us, good Lord, we praise you for the many blessings under the shadow of your mercy in you have given to those who worship this time of uncertainty and distress. you in this house of prayer: Sustain and support the anxious and and we pray that all who seek you in fearful. this place may find you, and, being and lift up all who are brought low; filled with the Holy Spirit, may that we may rejoice in your comfort become a living temple acceptable to knowing that nothing can separate you; us from your love through Jesus Christ your Son our in Christ Jesus, our Lord. Amen Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one Prayer for medical staff and God, now and for ever. Amen. researchers A prayer for those who suffer Gracious God, give skill, sympathy and God of compassion be close to those resilience to all who are caring for the who are ill, in isolation or afraid. sick, In their loneliness, be their and your wisdom to those searching consolation; for a cure. In their anxiety, be their hope; Strengthen them with your Spirit In their darkness, be their light; that through their work many will be Through him who suffered alone on restored to health: the cross, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. But reigns with you in glory, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen Lord Jesus Christ, you taught us to love our neighbour, Loving God, and to care for those in need as if we thank you for this house of prayer were caring for you. where we praise and thank you In this time of anxiety, give us for all you have given us. strength to comfort the fearful, to Help us to go out into the world, tend the sick, and to assure the refreshed by your Spirit, isolated of our love, and your love, to do what you have called us to do

for your name's sake. Amen

in Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen

# Welcome

#### This church is open for private prayer

Please observe 2m social distancing at all times

Please use hand sanitiser where provided

The wearing of face covering is a matter of personal choice

Do not enter if you feel unwell or are displaying any symptoms of COVID-19. These include:

- High temperature
- Continuous cough
- · Loss of taste and smell

Please follow all directions and markers set out and avoid contact with items as far as possible, including hymn books and printed material

God of healing and peace, we give thanks for this place in which to worship you. Guide each of us as we enter and leave to keep it safe, as we seek protection for all from the coronavirus; in the name of him who gave his life for us all, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

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#### St Peter's Church continues ...

St Peter's Church is still closed except for:

**Private prayer** from 12:00 - 2:00 pm each weekday and on Saturdays. **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 - 1:30 pm. **Hot takeaway food, tins** and whatever else we have to give away is from 4:00 - 5:00 pm every day.

| Please pray for those who have asked for<br>our prayers:<br>Nicky Aitken, Pat Anderson, Ruth Bowes,<br>Mary Burcher, Louise Emrullahu, Cathy<br>Fuller, Pam Gardiner, Vicky Harrison,<br>David Hipkin, Caroline Kelly, Sian<br>Lockwood, Charlie Martineau, Peggy<br>Palmer, Sheila Pantin, Alan Richardson,<br>Michele Roszak, Frances Roxby-Proud and<br>Colin Sinclair. |  | Daily Readings<br>Morning Prayer is at 8:00 am and<br>Evening Prayer at 5:00 pm daily. These<br>are the Bible readings we will be using<br>in Church each morning this week. Why<br>not read them at home if you are unable<br>to come to the service? |   |
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|  |  | Mon Alban, first Martyr of<br>Britain, 250<br>Psalm 44<br>Judges 2   |   |
|  | <b>RIP</b> – Michael Burcher   |  | Luke 13 v 1 - 9   |
| Also in o<br>Mon   | ur prayers this week:<br>All healthcare workers<br>Patients and staff in intensive<br>care units   | Tues   | Psalm 48<br>Judges 4 v 1 - 23<br>Luke 13 v 10 - 21  |
| Tues<br>Wed  | All who are affected by<br>Coronavirus COVID-19<br>Those who have lost their jobs<br>and face an uncertain future<br>St Peter's Food Parcel Scheme | Wed  | <i>The birth of John the<br/>Baptist</i><br>Psalm 50<br>Ecclesiasticus 48 v 1 - 10<br>Luke 3 v 1 - 17 |
| Thurs  | All first responders across the UK<br>The 999 and NHS 111 call centre  | Thurs  | Psalm 57<br>Judges 6 v 1 - 24<br>Luke 14 v 1 - 11   |
| Fri  | staff<br>Those who are guiding our nation<br>The Chief Scientific Adviser and his  | Fri  | Psalm 51<br>Judges 6 v 25 to end<br>Luke 14 v 12 - 24   |
| Sat  | team<br>Stewart Davies, Lay Reader<br>All those leading St Peter's online<br>worship   | Sat  | Psalm 68<br>Judges 7<br>Luke14 v 25 to end  |

#### The Collect for the Second Sunday after Trinity

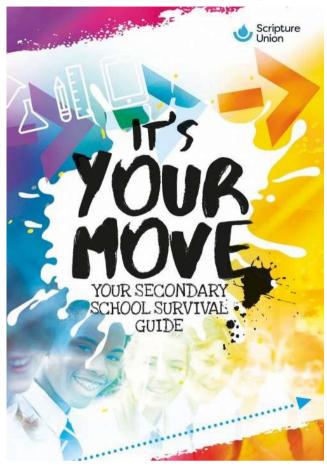
Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth: send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you.

Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

or

Faithful Creator, whose mercy never fails: deepen our faithfulness to you and to your living Word, Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### It's your move - helping Year 6 children transition to high school



Usually in the Summer term Year 6s are getting ready, with their class teachers help, to make the move to their new high schools. Their new head of year might visit them at their primary school and invite them to go to their new high school for the day, but because of COVID-19 these visits aren't happening.

The It's Your Move book from the Scripture Union has been used to help over 1.6 million children make the move from primary to secondary school with confidence. The revised edition features all-new real-life story profiles and articles, more interactive elements and helpful information and advice. Also included are real-life stories of children who are about to make the move and those who have made it in the recent past. There are puzzles, guizzes, and places to personalise the

book through doodles, signatures and photo pages. It's a helpful resource for supporting your child as they make the move during this time of great uncertainty. Find out more at <u>http://itsyourmove.org.uk.</u>



# International Day of Prayer for the Emergency Services

#### Thursday 25 June 2020

We are praying for all first responders across the UK and across the world.

Please join us in prayer, at anytime, wherever you are!!!





15<sup>th</sup> – 21st June 2020 Refugee Week is the UK's largest festival celebrating the contribution of refugees and promoting understanding of why people seek sanctuary. Founded in 1998 and held every year around World Refugee Day on 20<sup>th</sup> June, Refugee Week is also a growing global movement. The current pandemic means that we cannot gather in groups, so this is the first-ever virtual Refugee Week: an invitation to come together across borders and distance to celebrate our interconnectedness and imagine a different world. To find out more visit: https://refugeeweek.org.uk/

#### The first St Peter's E-News arrives

If you've told us your email address in the past, you should have received the first *St Peter's E-News* by now. If this hasn't happened, or if you think we might not have an up-to-date email address, then let Carole Raw, our Administrator, know via: <u>stpeterschurchhgtoffice@gmail.com</u>. Equally, if you'd prefer not to receive the email, please tell Carole or use the 'unsubscribe' button at the base of the email.



#### Good news for organists

The updated Government guidance for the safe use of places of worship during the COVID-19 pandemic now says:

Activities such as singing and/or playing instruments should be avoided, with the exception of organists who are able to use buildings for practice with appropriate social distancing. The government is continuing to work on scientific and medical advice around how such activities can best be managed safely and further guidance will follow on this shortly.

## A Wing and a Prayer at Ripon Cathedral

Please help to fill Ripon Cathedral with angelic prayers and remember the amazing contributions from so many during the COVID-19 pandemic. Simply fill in the form on their website with a prayer for a loved one and it will be printed onto a paper angel who will fly in the nave of Ripon Cathedral. You can



also print an angel to make at home - www.riponcathedral.org.uk/wing-and-prayer/

By donating an angel in honour of our key workers or special person you are supporting the vital work of the Yorkshire Air Ambulance and the ministry of Ripon Cathedral for the benefit of people and communities across the region.





St Peter's is continuing to give out food *every day* to those in need. If you would like to donate something toiletries, tinned and dried food – 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.

Direct your children onto the right path, and when they are older, they will not leave it. Proverbs 22 v 6



# **Financial Giving**

If you would like to support us financially at this difficult time, please use these bank details to contribute by BACS: **St Peter's Church PCC Harrogate** account at Natwest Bank PLC Sort Code: 53-50-21 Account No: 67137628 or **download a Planned Giving Form** from the website. **THANK YOU!** 

#### Next Week's Deadline

The deadline for the next edition of the Weekly News (28<sup>th</sup> June) will be noon on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June. Please send any items (including photos) to Alan Garrow **or** to Marian Chambers (addresses below).

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