

Weekly News

16th August 2020

The Tenth Sunday after Trinity www.stpetersharrogate.org.uk

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

Our Food Heroes

In this week's article I want to pay tribute to all the 'Food Heroes' here at St Peter's. Firstly, let me remind you that in scripture there are two main types of food that God give us. When the Israelites were wandering in the wilderness, struggling to find food, God provides manna from heaven, literally providing bread to sustain their physical needs ensuring their survival. In the New Testament Jesus states that he is the Bread of Life — a bread just as important as manna, bread that sustains our spiritual life. Here at St Peter's we have **Feeding Hungry People** as our strapline describing our mission. This strapline is two sided, with one side looking at the manna we can provide and the other at how we help people find the Bread of Life.



In the last few days, I have been told by two separate people that St Peter's is one of busiest churches in the Episcopal area. This would not be possible without all your support. We are so blessed to have such a range of talented and dedicated people who support our church services, with time and energy and prayers. Without you we would not be providing the best possible

environment for people to connect with God and be nourished by the Bread of Life. To all the volunteers and supporters who give time, energy, food, and money to our food ministry - without you there would be such a void in the centre of Harrogate - you enable us to meet people's basic needs of food, water and friendship; and you provide the manna that everyone needs and deserves.

During lockdown you our 'Food Heroes' have had to adapt to an ever-changing landscape of lockdown and regulations. Yet you have all kept moving forward, focused on our mission to **Feed Hungry People**, and I know that without your support and continued prayers, this mission would fail. So, on behalf of Alan and myself, I would like to say a massive thank you to all of YOU - our 'Food Heroes'.

Chris Clayton, Curate at St Peter's Church

Every year St Peter's Church gives at least £3,000 in donations to different charities — half of these are local, and half are working overseas. Find out more about these charities, the work that they do and how the lockdown has affected them.

Artizan International (originally named Craft Aid International) was founded in 2013 by Susie Hart MBE. Susie started Artizan International on returning to Harrogate after 10 years of life and



work in Tanzania, where she set up a social enterprise called *Neema Crafts* that provides training and employment for people with disabilities, all of whom are now able to support themselves and their families with dignity and pride.

Susie set up the registered charity **Artizan International** to pass on this model to other developing countries, like Peru and Ecuador, where people with disabilities are still living in poverty.

Susie also found that disabled people in the UK are often socially isolated, so, until the lockdown in March, therapeutic crafts sessions for adults with disabilities in Harrogate and Leeds were set up — sadly these have had to be cancelled. As an alternative, the charity has been making craft videos for people to do at home, setting up Zoom sessions and asking volunteers to keep in regular touch with clients. Unfortunately, the grand opening of their new premises on Oxford Street has had to be put on hold, which means the charity faces a difficult few months financially.



Laura Baxendale is now the project leader in **Peru** and has set up a new office in Arequipa, where she has been training people with physical disabilities in jewellery making and textiles. Once the lockdown there eases there are plans for a new centre with a studio, shop and café to be built. Laura is also involved in a therapeutic crafts workshop in a home for men with learning disabilities run by the local Anglican Church. She is pictured here making paper with some of the residents.

The coronavirus outbreak in **Ecuador** has been particularly horrendous, with bodies left lying in the street. The training and social enterprise, making paper from banana leaves and recycled paper, has had to close. Although the charity managed to get a month's worth of craft supplies out to its artisans so they could continue working and earning money, these ran out in May. The charity has set up an online shop to help sell the crafts created by its artisans in South America after its normal sales routes through Fairtrade shops were closed off by the crisis.

To support the work of **Artizan International** you could buy crafts from the online shop, make a donation towards running costs, or offer to volunteer – please visit <u>www.artizaninternational.org</u>.

St Peter's Ladies who Lunch are getting together again



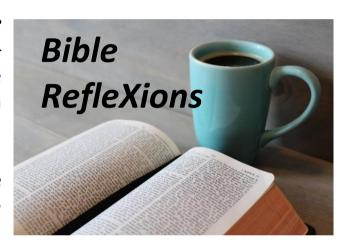
The **Ladies who Lunch** are meeting again on Wednesday 26th August at the Palm Court Café at the bottom of Montpellier Hill. If you would like to join us for food and fellowship, then please contact Sue Heapy before Sunday 23rd August (*brynsusie@hotmail.com or 07540 355 305*) as she has to book our table in advance. It will be so good to see friends, old and new!

New Contactless Sunday Offering

If you prefer to give cash in the collection plate on a Sunday, rather than setting up a Standing Order, then please be encouraged to take advantage of our new contactless giving option. The contactless machine will be available from today, Sunday 16th August, in the South Transept. Paul Medforth, our Churchwarden, will be there to assist you for the first week of this trial.

Returning in September

Sue Heapy is hoping to restart *Bible RefleXions* - the informal, study group - meeting on Wednesday mornings in The Gallery in Church. They will be studying John Pritchard's book *Living Faithfully* — do you have a copy that they might borrow? If you are interested in coming or have a copy of the book to lend, please get in touch with Sue (07540 355 305 or brynsusie@hotmail.com).



Dates for your Diary

Monday 31st August

An **Organ Recital** given by John Longstaff at 2:30 pm via Zoom and St Peter's Facebook Page. John will be playing pieces by Bach, Handel and Mendelssohn, amongst others. Donations invited for St Peter's Choir and Organ Fund.

Thursday 3rd September

Holy Communion at 11:00 am – if you would like to attend this service but can't come on this date please let Alan Garrow know.

Sunday 6th September

Afternoon Church at 4:15 pm - if you would like to attend this service but can't come on this date please let Chris Clayton know.

St Peter's Library remains closed

Sadly, the Library has to remain closed for the time being, due to the risk from Coronavirus. As soon as it is safe to do so, we will let you know, and we will be able to share and borrow books again. Kathy Richards

Readings for Sunday 16th August

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Old Testament Isaiah 56 v 1 and 6 - 8 Gospel Matthew 15 v 21 - 28

Epistle Romans 11 v 1 - 2a, 29 - 32

Preacher Oliver Longstaff



This week's worship online

As not everyone can come to Church and take part in the services every week, we are continuing to live-stream services. To join in follow these links: 9:30 am Holy Communion and 11:00 am Matins or Holy Communion (BCP). You can also join in with Zoom Coffee after each service for 10 minute chats with three or four others. Morning and Evening Prayer are at 8:00 am and 5:00 pm from Monday to Saturday and will be live-streamed on Facebook and Zoom. You can also watch any of these services at a later time on the St Peter's Church YouTube Channel.

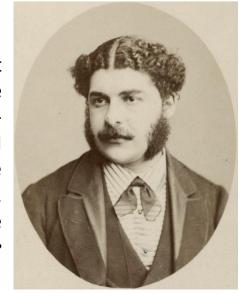
To keep everyone safe, please:



- wear a face covering and use the hand sanitiser;
- **follow the one way system** down the side aisles and up the centre aisle;
- **keep your distance** at all times, even when you share the peace;
- **form a single, distanced queue** in front of the dais to receive Communion a wafer, but not wine, will be distributed (please indicate in advance if you need a gluten-free wafer);
- remember no refreshments will be served after the service, but bottled water is available if you need it;
- leave via the West Door after the 9:30 am service, if you are able. Thank you!

Gilbert & Sullivan service

In normal circumstances we would have welcomed visitors to the **International Gilbert & Sullivan Festival** at our services today. The festival, held in Harrogate since 2014, had to be cancelled this year as a result of COVID-19. Arthur Sullivan was a boy chorister at the Chapel Royal and an organist at two London churches. He wrote several hymn tunes, anthems and sacred part songs. Today hymns such as *It came upon a midnight clear*; the anthem *The Lost Chord*; and Sullivan's setting of *Jubilate in D* will be sung at our 11:00 am Matins service.



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, Caroline Kelly, Sian Lockwood, Charlie Martineau, Sheila Pantin, Alan Richardson, Michele Roszak, Frances Roxby-Proud and Colin Sinclair.

RIP - Peggy Palmer

The funeral will be at 12:30 pm on Thursday 20th August at St Peter's Church, then 1:40 pm at Stonefall Cemetery

Also in our prayers this week:

Mon All healthcare workers

Patients and staff in intensive

care units

Tues All who are affected by

Coronavirus COVID-19

Those who have lost their jobs

Wed Artizan International

The people of Ecuador and Peru

Thurs Our emergency services

All receiving GCSE results today

Fri Those who are leading our nation

Matt Hancock, responsible for

oversight of the NHS

Sat Stewart Davies, Lay Reader

The technical team providing our

online worship

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

1 Samuel 24

Acts 3 v 11 to end

Tues Psalm 73

1 Samuel 26

Acts 4 v 1 - 12

Wed Psalm 77

1 Samuel 28 v 3 to end

Acts 4 v 13 - 31

Thurs Bernard, Abbot of

Clairvaux, Teacher William and Catherine

Booth, Founders of the

Salvation Army

Psalm 78 v 1 - 39

1 Samuel 31

Acts 4 v 32 – 5 v 11

Fri Psalm 55

2 Samuel 1

Acts 5 v 12 - 26

Sat Psalm 76

2 Samuel 2 v 1 - 11

Acts 5 v 27 to end

The Collect for the Tenth Sunday after Trinity

Let your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of your humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions make them to ask such things as shall please you;

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

or

Lord of heaven and earth, as Jesus taught his disciples to be persistent in prayer, give us patience and courage never to lose hope, but always to bring our prayers before you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

A Wing and a Prayer at Ripon Cathedral



A spectacular origami art installation is now on display in Ripon Cathedral – part of the *A Wing and a Prayer* project launched in May to support the vital work of the Yorkshire Air Ambulance and Ripon Cathedral.

Some 10,000 paper angels are now flying high above the nave made volunteers and reflecting the prayers offered for those who have lost their lives to the Coronavirus and those in the NHS and other front line services risking their own lives for the sake of others. So far the project has raised over £130,000, which will be shared between the

Yorkshire Air Ambulance and the Cathedral.

It's not too late to leave a prayer in the Cathedral or to send in your prayers via the Cathedral website to remember a loved one or a key worker; the prayers will then be said by the clergy during services. Those leaving a prayer are also invited to make a donation. Get involved by visiting www.riponcathedral.org.uk/wing-and-prayer/. The installation — which will remain in the Cathedral until the Feast of St Michael and All Angels on 29th September, aims to reflect how people from our community have come together during these uncertain times to support one another.

St Peter's Church is now open for:

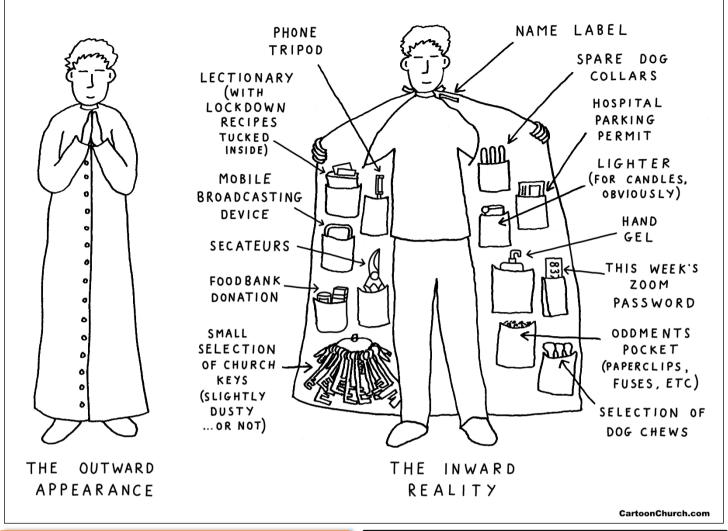
Private prayer from 11:00 am – 2:00 pm every day except Sundays.

Services on Sundays – 9:30 am Family Communion and 11:00 am Matins or Holy Communion (BCP) – to check availability and to book a pew contact our Parish Administrator, Carole Raw at *stpeterschurchhgtoffice@gmail.com*.

The Breakfast Club (with distanced seating), which provides a free, hot breakfast from Monday to Saturday (8:20 - 8:45 am) for all those who are hungry or in need. A hot **Sunday Lunch** (with distanced seating) is available at St Peter's Church each week from 1:00 - 1:30 pm.

Hot food to eat in (with distanced seating) or take away, **tins** and whatever else we have to give away is from 4:00 - 5:00 pm every day.

THE CASSOCK



Fresh from the farm every week!



FREE RANGE EGGS

Larger than large **James Potter** eggs available from Hannah Beck after any service on Sundays.

Donations please towards
St Peter's Breakfast Club funds.

Two kittens available



Both are 12 weeks old, have been wormed and had their first vaccinations.

One grey tabby male One tortoiseshell female

If you are interested in giving one (or both) a loving home, please speak to Hannah Beck (07503 186455).



St Peter's gives out food every day to those in need. Thank you so much if you remembered to bring some groceries or toiletries to put in the hamper this week.



Chris Clayton has received this email from Jerri Smith-Cronin at Open Arms Malalwi:

I just wanted to very belatedly pass on a huge thank you from the staff and children at Open Arms for the St Peter's Sanctuary Youth Group talent show last month and for the wonderful fundraising that went alongside it. I do hope that everyone enjoyed the event.

Thank you very much for supporting Open Arms.

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 (23rd August) will be noon on Wednesday 19th August. Please send any items (including photos) to Marian Chambers *marian.chambers41@gmail.com*.

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