

Weekly News

6th September 2020

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

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

St Peter's Youth & Children's Ministry

The Youth and Children's Ministry at St Peter's, like most things in our current situation, is a tale of two halves – before and after COVID-19.

Before COVID there was a growing desire and hunger across the churches in Harrogate to increase our mission to the local youth, which would have been realised by a town-wide youth event. This would have seen the Christian message in all our secondary schools, with follow-up events run by local churches. St Peter's also continued to demonstrate Christ's love through our Sunday Club during the 9:30 am Family Communion; the Afternoon Church services; St Peter's Toddler Group; and



Chris at Ripon Venture Summer Camp 2019

our youth group, Sanctuary. There was a real sense of momentum building and excitement about what was coming in 2020. But then COVID happened, and the vast majority of our activities had to stop. While some small projects were able to continue thanks to technology, the momentum had stalled - Summer Camps, town-wide mission and other events had to be cancelled or postponed.

Maybe it is fortuitous that this week is the start of Creationtide, because like a plant that dies so it can spread its seed, small seeds of hope are starting to germinate again after this difficult period. I want to encourage you to celebrate the return of our Afternoon Church Service today at 4:15 pm. Celebrate the return of Sanctuary on the 20th September. Celebrate the return of our Toddler Group hopefully also in September. Let's give thanks that our desire to show Christ's love to our Youth and Children is still there and can only grow stronger.

Chris Clayton, Curate at St Peter's Church

Harrogate School of Theology and Mission

St Paul's Letters part 1 - a Bibletrack seminar by Dr Chris Tilling (DVD and facilitated discussion) on Saturday 12th September 2020, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

We have been carefully planning the best way to deliver our events during the COVID-19 crisis. We are delighted to offer you the option of attending our first event either in person at the Mowbray Community Church in Westmoreland Street, or online via Zoom. There is a full Risk Assessment in place, which anyone is welcome to see, if they want to check in advance the measures we have put in place for attendance in person. No

breakfast or mid-morning refreshments will be served this time. The first seminar will inevitably be a 'trial run' to allow us to check and fine tune the technology. There will therefore be **no charge** for this particular event. It will, however, be essential for participants to book in advance through Eventbrite. To attend in person at Mowbray Community Church click here; or to attend online please click here. Full details at our website www.hstm.org.uk.

Musical Developments

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A great new feature of Matins in these last few weeks has been the introduction of a bespoke 'Organ Reflection' in place of the Te Deum. This adds an extra element of interest to the whole service because John Longstaff, our Director of Music, selects something from one of the readings or the Psalm as the inspiration for his original creation. As the service progresses, therefore, it has been entertaining to try to spot what John is likely to work with this week - as well as inspiring to listen to what he chooses to create. Now, however, it looks as though the rules on the number of singers permitted to lead sung worship are being relaxed - so we are hopeful that a small choir will be able to lead choral services in future weeks. Thank you John, Jude, and all the Music Group and Choir for the ways you have adapted to plan, create and enable musical worship under extraordinarily restrictive circumstances. As lockdown continues to change shape we are most grateful for your commitment and creativity.

BBC Radio 3 returns to live Choral Evensong broadcasts

Live Choral Evensong returned to BBC Radio 3 with a four week residency at London's St Martin-in-the-Fields in August. The first service began with the hymn 'Lord of all hopefulness' sung by the nine singers of St Martin's Voices. This was the final piece of music heard in St Martin's on the night before the church closed due to the pandemic. The following weeks feature an octet from the church of Great St Bartholomew, the BBC Singers and The Gesualdo Six.



All four programmes are still available on **BBC Sounds**.

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.

St Andrew's Evangelical Mission, Chosica, near Lima, Peru

St Andrew's Evangelical Mission was set up over 30 years ago by the Revd Brian Attwell and his Peruvian wife, Betty. After witnessing the poverty in the slums of Lima on a visit to Peru, the couple moved there and at first set up a soup kitchen. Eventually they raised enough money to establish an orphanage – the St Andrew's Children's Home in Chosica on the outskirts of Lima. Since Brian's death in 2010, Betty has continued to run the Home, a Day Nursery, Clinic and Dispensary.



According to the latest annual report received in February 2020, before Coronavirus took hold, they are caring for just over thirty abandoned, orphaned, and disabled children. They continue to run a Day Nursery, where single mothers can bring their babies and toddlers in the early morning, and then go off to work on the many market stalls in the town, returning in the evening to collect their children. A doctor visits the Clinic each week and treats any local sick children and mothers free of charge. Construction work on the final school classroom built in memory of Brian Attwell is now complete. It is hoped to open a primary school in the new building as soon as funds allow.

Peru imposed one of the earliest and strictest lockdowns in Latin America to stop the spread of Coronavirus - but has still seen cases rise rapidly. The country has one of the world's highest excess death rates, which suggests the official figures are an underestimate. Peru's healthcare system was underprepared for a pandemic, with poorer areas having few to no medical resources. About 70% of the employed population work in the informal sector, so have no choice but to use crowded public transport to get to work despite the lockdown. Many people have lost their jobs in the cities and have had to move back into rural areas taking the virus with them.

Today's Services: 6th September 2020

The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity Creationtide

9:30 Family Communion

Hymns Wonderful Lord, All creatures of our God and King, Our God is a

great big God

Readings Romans 13 v 8 - 14

Matthew 18 v 15 - 20

Preacher: Stewart Davies

11:00 Choral Communion

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Hymns 362, 174, 301, 543 **Readings** Exodus 12 v 1 - 14

Romans 13 v 8 - 14

Anthem If ye love me (*Philip Wilby*)

Preacher: Stewart Davies

4:15 Afternoon Church Preacher: Chris Clayton

Our Duty Warden today is:

Paul Medforth

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!

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). 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.

Please pray for those who have asked for our prayers:

Pat Anderson, Ruth Bowes, Mary Burcher, Louise Emrullahu, Cathy Fuller, Pam Gardiner, Vicky Harrison, David Hipkin, Caroline Kelly, Sian Lockwood, Charlie Martineau, Sheila Pantin, Michele Roszak, Frances Roxby-Proud and Colin Sinclair.

Also in our prayers this week:

Mon The staff and pupils of St Peter's

CE Primary School returning today

All those starting a new school

this week

Tues Betty Attwell and all at *St*

Andrew's Evangelical Mission

The people of Peru

Wed The staff and pupils returning to

St Aidan's CE High School today

Those working to develop a

vaccine for COVID-19

Thurs Those who work with the elderly

All attending the Holy

Communion service today

Fri The survivors and bereaved of the

9/11 attacks in New York

Peace and justice in the world

Sat Chris Clayton, our Curate

Sanctuary, St Peter's Youth 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 126

2 Samuel 18 v 1 - 18 Acts 10 v 34 to end

Tues The Nativity of the Blessed

Virgin Mary Psalm 132

2 Samuel 18 v 19 – 19 v

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Acts 11 v 1 - 18

Wed Charles Fuge Lowder,

Priest, 1880

Psalm 119 v 153 to end 2 Samuel 19 v 8b - 23 Acts 11 v 19 to end

Thurs Psalm 143

2 Samuel 19 v 24 to end

Acts 12 v 1 - 17

Fri Psalm 144

2 Samuel 23 v 1 - 7 Acts 12 v 18 to end

Sat Psalm 147

2 Samuel 24

Acts 13 v 1 - 12

The Collect for the Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Almighty God, who called your Church to bear witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself:

help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to you; through him who was lifted up on the cross, and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

or

Almighty God, you search us and know us:

may we rely on you in strength and rest on you in weakness, now and in all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

What's on This Week

St Peter's Church is open for private prayer from 11:00 am – 1:00 pm every day except Sundays.

Mon 7th 4:30 - 4:50 pm hot food to eat in or take-away

Tues 8th 4:30 - 4:50 pm food parcels available

Wed 9th 4:30 - 4:50 pm hot food to eat in or take-away

Thurs 10th 11:00 am Holy Communion

4:30 - 4:50 pm food parcels available

Fri 11th 4:30 - 4:50 pm hot food to eat in or take-away

Sat 12th 4:30 - 4:50 pm food parcels available

Sun 13th 1:00 – 1:30 pm Sunday Lunch

Rhythm of Life - get started session



Tuesday 8th September 2020 from 7:30 – 9:00 pm online hosted by Bishop Tony Robinson

A chance to find out more about the Rhythm of Life initiative — with practical ideas and time to ask questions. Some key areas will be given special attention: *praying, encouraging, sharing, reflecting, celebrating, resting and creating.* To register your interest and to receive the Zoom meeting link so you can take part, please email *RoL@leeds.anglican.org.*

Next Sunday 13th September The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

9:30 Family Communion

11:00 Choral Matins

To check availability and to book a pew contact our Parish Administrator, Carole Raw at stpeterschurchhgtoffice@gmail

The Breakfast Club 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 served from 1:00 – 1:30 pm.

Hot food to eat in (with distanced seating) or take away, available 4:30 – 4:50 pm on

Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Food parcels are available 4:30 – 4:50 pm on

Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.



Congratulations on your 60th Wedding Anniversary!

Fiona Birt says," Thanks to all at St Peter's who sent best wishes to my parents, Enid and Laurence Myers, who celebrated their Diamond Wedding Anniversary on 23rd July 2020." *Thank you for sending in such a delightful photo, Fiona.*



Every day through Heritage Open Days week we'll be launching a brand new video exploring the Hidden Nature of Bradford Cathedral, alongside these other online events and activities:

11th Sept Dawn Chorus in the

Cathedral Close

13th Sept William Morris and

the Arts & Crafts

Movement

15th Sept Animal Trail – family

activity finding hidden

animals and nature

17th Sept William Scoresby,

Arctic explorer and

later Vicar of Bradford

Parish Church

19th Sept Louisa Pesel designs

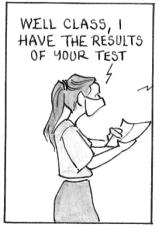
20th Sept Twilight in the

Cathedral Close

www.bradfordcathedral.org

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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 next Sunday or from 4:00 – 5:00 pm daily.





New to St Peter's? Please give your contact details to one of the Clergy after the service.

Next Week's Deadline

The deadline for the next edition of the Weekly News (13th September) will be noon on Wednesday 9th September. Please send any items (including photos) to Alan Garrow **or** to Marian Chambers (addresses below).

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