

Weekly News

13th September 2020

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

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

An Interview with Catharine Davies

Bishop Helen-Ann will license Catharine for Licensed Lay Ministry at 6:30 pm next Sunday 20th September at St Peter's Church - please support her with your prayers even if you can't be there in person. The service will be live-streamed on Zoom.



How did you become called to Licensed Lay Ministry? Vocation is often thought of as waiting to hear an external voice from God. For me it was a recognition of a desire within me to know God more that made me open to a suggestion arising in a chance conversation, 'Why wouldn't you embark on some training?' So, after few tentative phone calls and despite my characteristic need to consider carefully, three days later I had enrolled as a late entrant to the Reader (now renamed Licensed Lay Ministry or LLM) training that had begun several weeks before. The majority of the teaching has been at Leeds School of Ministry at Mirfield, one

Sunday a month, with supplementary reading and writing from home.

How have you developed?

Training has both provided *information* to understand the faith of the Church with regard to scripture, history and doctrine, but has also been a process of *formation* of my own faith through practice, reflection and worship. Community has been essential in learning alongside a wonderfully diverse group (aged from 35 to 70 and including a dinner lady, police officer, publican, florist, midwife, lawyer, engineer). It has deepened a conviction that God's people flourish when lay and ordained serve alongside another, with gifts differing but equal.

How can others take such a step?

If, for our family, friends or colleagues, we are 'the fifth gospel' - whereby others encounter God through our lives - then the question is 'Why wouldn't **you** embark on some training?' to equip you for this ongoing privilege and responsibility! The Diocese's <u>Introduction to Theology course</u> could be something to consider. 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.



Mission Possible UK (MPUK) is a Christian mission society seeking to serve the poor, marginalised and forgotten in Eastern Europe and in the Great Lakes Region of Africa. It was founded in 2007 by Richard Wallis, who last visited St Peter's with Rwandan Bishop Nathan Amooti in May 2016. The Bishop spoke of reconciliation and reconstruction in post genocide Rwanda and how, in partnership with **MPUK**, Star School was started.



Star School (*pictured left*) now teaches over 1,000 children in its nursery, primary and secondary departments. Since there is no public school system in Rwanda, families must pay for their child's education, but not all can afford to do so; in response **MPUK** set up a sponsorship programme for children from poorest families to attend the School - Ruth Wallis is the Child Sponsorship Coordinator.

Richard and Ruth were at the School in February and wrote, 'We were in Rwanda during the rainy season and experienced some tropical storms. We saw first-hand the benefits of the draining ditches we funded. But despite these ditches, erosion on the school campus remained an issue. So last year, we launched a tree and shrub project at the school. Today, the school campus looks so beautiful that we could rename the school 'The Garden School'. I am not an educationalist but I am sure a good environment is conducive to good study.

One other new initiative is the dyslexia project managed by Ezekiel who runs special classes each Friday afternoon (pictured bottom right). Meanwhile, four children on

our child sponsorship programme have completed their secondary education and their exam results came out while we were there. All four children did well, and we are now exploring how we can equip them for a job in the future. This may involve us funding them to go to college or facilitating an apprenticeship.'

To find out more about **MPUK**'s other projects or to make a donation visit *www.mpuk.org*.





Say it with Flowers

Why not 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 will make an arrangement on the pedestal by St Mary's Chapel and you will also receive a mention in the Weekly News. Please contact Sue Heapy for further details (07540 355305).

Last chance to make a donation

In June Helen Harrison, Jan Edwards and Gillian Thornton visited 18 churches in total on their Parish Walk to raise funds for St Peter's food ministry. Three other groups were inspired to do their own walks – the Brewer family, the Bursell family and Sarah Martin with Alex and Zak Armour. You can still donate by visiting their <u>Just Giving</u> <u>Page</u> or by putting cash in an envelope marked **Helen Harrison – Parish Walk** and posting it in the Donations Box in Church. We can claim an extra 25% through Gift Aid if we have your name and address. Thank you!

Sanctuary is BACK!

Our youth group, Sanctuary, is getting together in person for the first time since lockdown! They are planning to have a catch-up, talk about what's happening this term and play some games at the **Valley Gardens** next Sunday 20th September at 2:00 pm, meeting at the Games Pavilion by the play area. Chris asks you to bring refreshments or some money if you want something from the snack bar.



The **Bible Studies** on Zoom will be on Wednesdays from 7:00 - 8:00 pm - this is for those who want to know more about the Christian faith and explore scripture together. The first one is on Wednesday 23^{rd} September.

This year's **Ripon Summer Camp** was cancelled due to COVID-19, but Chris and the team are hoping to take a Sanctuary group to Ripon Camp $2021 - 31^{st}$ July to 7^{th} August – so keep this week free!

If you are now in Year 7 (or above) and would like to come along, please contact Chris Clayton (07407 258733 or chris.clayton@leeds.anglican.org).

St Peter's Ladies who Lunch



The **Ladies who Lunch** are meeting again on Friday 25th September at the Palm Court Café. As social gatherings of more than six people in England will not be allowed in law from 14th September, we will be seated in socially distanced groups of no more than six at separate tables. If you are interested in joining us, then please call or text Sue Heapy (*07540 355 305*) or send her an email *brynsusie@hotmail.com* before Sunday 20th September so she can book some tables in advance for us.

Today's Services: 13th September 2020 The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity Education Sunday Creationtide				
9:30	Family Communion			
Hymns	How Great is our God, All Hear of the earth	ven declares, For the beauty		
Readings	Romans 14 v 1 - 12	Romans 14 v 1 - 12		
	Matthew 18 v 21 - 35	Our Duty Warden today is:		
Preacher:	Sarah Martin	lan Birt		
11:00	Choral Matins			
Setting	Sumsion in G (Te Deum)			
Hymns	492, 379, 609			
Psalm	119 v 65 - 80			
Readings	Exodus 14 v 19 - 31			
	Matthew 18 v 21 - 35			
Anthem	How lovely are the messenger	How lovely are the messengers (<i>Mendelssohn</i>)		
Preacher:	Sarah Martin			

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: <u>9:30 am Holy</u> <u>Communion</u> and <u>11:00 am Matins or Holy Communion (BCP)</u>. <u>Morning and Evening</u> <u>Prayer</u> 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 <u>St Peter's Church YouTube Channel</u>.

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!

Please pray for those who have asked for our prayers: Pat Anderson, Ruth Bowes, Mary Burcher, Louise Emrullahu, Cathy Fuller, Pam Gardiner, Vicky Harrison, Keith Helsby, David Hipkin, Caroline Kelly, Sian		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?		
Lockwood, Charlie Martineau, Sheila Pantin, Michele Roszak, Frances Roxby- Proud and Colin Sinclair.		Mon	<i>Holy Cross Day</i> Psalm 2 Genesis 3 v 1 - 15	
RIP Marcella Brennan			John 12 v 27 – 36a	
Also in our prayers this week:		Tues	<i>Cyprian, Bishop, Martyr</i> Psalm 5	
Mon	Patricia Stableford, Churchwarden All the staff and patients at Harrogate Hospital	Mad.	1 Kings 1 v 32 – 2 v 4, 10 - 12 Acts 13 v 44 – 14 v 7	
Tues	Those who are bereaved St Michael's Hospice	Wed	<i>Ninian, Apostle of the Picts</i> Psalm 119 v 1 - 32 1 Kings 3	
Wed	Richard and Ruth Wallis and all at <i>Mission Possible UK</i> The staff and pupils of the Star School, Rwanda	Thurs	Acts 14 v 8 to end Hildegard, Abbess of Bingen, Visionary, 1179 Psalm 15	
Thurs	Delivery drivers and postal workers Schools, colleges and universities		1 Kings 4 v 29 – 5 v 12 Acts 15 v 1 - 21	
Fri	Those who are leading our nation All our Members of Parliament	Fri	Psalm 19 1 Kings 6 v 1, 11 - 28	
Sat	Catharine Davies, as she prepares for her licensing tomorrow All who read the lessons and lead prayers at our services	Sat	Acts 15 v 22 - 35 Psalm 23 1 Kings 8 v 1 - 30 Acts 15 v 36 – 16 v 5	
The Collect for the Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence:				
give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; 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

Merciful God, your Son came to save us and bore our sins on the cross: may we trust in your mercy and know your love, rejoicing in the righteousness that is ours 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 14 th	4:30 - 4:50 pm hot food to eat in or take-away

Tues 15th4:30 - 4:50 pm food parcels available

Wed 16th 4:30 - 4:50 pm hot food to eat in or take-away

Thurs 17th11:00 am Holy Communion4:30 - 4:50 pm food parcels available

Fri 18th 4:30 - 4:50 pm hot food to eat in or take-away

Sat 19th 4:30 - 4:50 pm food parcels available

Sun 20th 11:00 am The Battle of Britain wreath laying ceremony is at the War Memorial 1:00 – 1:30 pm Sunday Lunch 2:00 pm Sanctuary, St Peter's Youth Group, meeting at the Games Pavilion in Valley Gardens 6:30 pm Licensing of Catharine Davies as a Licensed Lay

Minister by Helen-Ann Hartley, Bishop of Ripon

Next Sunday 20th September The Fifteenth 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.com 6:30 Licensing of Catharine Davies Please speak to Alan Garrow if you would like to attend this service.

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.





Join the Wellspring Team

Wellspring Therapy & Training are looking for a new Treasurer to join their Trustee Board (voluntary role). If you are a Christian, have financial qualifications and some experience of charity finance, they would like to hear from you! For more information visit

www.wellspringtherapy.co.uk/news/treasurer. To express an interest, please contact Emily Fullarton <u>director@wellspringtherapy.co.uk</u>.

In time of crisis, love unites us all

Christ calls us to reach out to our neighbours with love. By being good neighbours, we can change the world. When crisis arrived on our doorsteps this year, neighbourly love helped us through. We've all witnessed communities coming together to face the challenges of the Covid-19 pandemic. This autumn, Christian Aid is asking supporters to reach out to our global neighbours and help more communities overcome crisis. The charity wants people to:

• **Give** to help communities around the world come together to overcome the crisis of poverty.

• Act by calling for the cancellation of debt repayments for low-income countries during the coronavirus crisis.

• Pray for our global neighbours facing crisis in all its forms.

St Peter's Church will be celebrating the work of Christian Aid and raising money for this appeal at our **Harvest Sunday** services on **4**th **October**.

Education Sunday 2020

For the first time on Education Sunday, Churches Together in England are able



to bring you an inter-generational service on YouTube. This service for all ages will **premiere on this YouTube link** on Education Sunday, 13th September 2020, and will remain active for viewing after that date.



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.



The Annual Battle of Britain Parade and Service will be held at Stonefall Cemetery at 3:00 pm on Sunday 13th September



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 (20th September) will be noon on Wednesday 16th September. Please send any items (including photos) to Alan Garrow **or** to Marian Chambers (addresses below).

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