



Weekly News

3rd January 2021

The Second Sunday of Christmas

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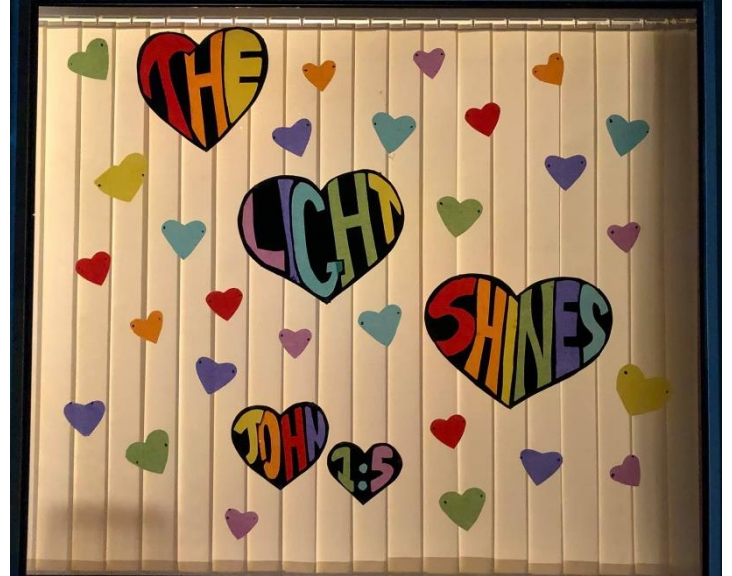
Did you see the light shine?



In the end there were more than 140 windows to find in Harrogate and the surrounding area. It was inspiring to see the many creative expressions of faith and hope shining out into the streets. We don't know what's coming next, but we do know that Jesus is the one to follow whatever that next may be. God bless you in 2021.

Alan Garrow, *Vicar of St Peter's Church*

More #thelightshines windows ...





Christmas Flowers at St Peter's Church 2020



Today's Services: 3rd January 2021

The Second Sunday of Christmas - celebrating The Epiphany

The Second Sunday after Christmas (BCP)

Please arrive no later than 5 minutes before the start of the service, so everyone can be safely seated at a distance

9:30 Family Communion

Hymns 7 All hail King Jesus!; 298 Jesus, Name above all names; 31 As with gladness; 457 O worship the Lord

Readings Isaiah 60 v 1 - 6
Matthew 2 v 1 - 12

Preacher: Hannah Beck

Our Duty Warden today is:
Paul Medforth

11:00 Choral Matins

Setting Stanford in B flat (Jubilate)

Hymns 85, 91, 83

Psalm 132

Readings Isaiah 60 v 1 - 6
Matthew 2 v 1 - 12

Anthem Lo, star-led chiefs (*Crotch*)

Preacher: Hannah Beck

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.

Please pray for those who have asked for our prayers:

Pat Anderson, Ruth Bowes, Diana Braithwaite, Louise Emrullahu, Pam Gardiner, Vicky Harrison, Keith Helsby, Caroline Kelly, Charlie Martineau, Sheila Pantin, Michele Roszak, Frances Roxby-Proud and Colin Sinclair.

Also in our prayers this week:

- Mon** All healthcare workers
The rollout of the Oxford-AstraZeneca vaccine starting today
- Tues** All who are affected by
Coronavirus COVID-19
Those feeling lost, lonely and isolated
- Wed** Sarah Martin, Churchwarden
Mission Possible UK, serving the poor in Africa and Eastern Europe
- Thurs** Our emergency services
All those working on telephone support helplines
- Fri** Those who are guiding our nation
The Office for National Statistics providing data and analysis
- Sat** Stewart Davies, Lay Reader
St Peter's Music 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 89 v 1 - 37
Isaiah 60 v 13 to end
John 1 v 43 to end
- Tues** Psalm 48
Isaiah 61
John 2 v 1 - 12
- Wed** ***The Epiphany***
Psalm 127
Isaiah 62
John 2 v 13 to end
- Thurs** Psalm 99
Isaiah 63 v 7 to end
1 John 3
- Fri** *Lucian, Priest and Martyr, 290*
Psalm 46
Isaiah 64
1 John 4 v 7 to end
- Sat** Psalm 148
Isaiah 65 v 1 - 16
1 John 5 v 1 - 12

The Collect for The Epiphany

O God, who by the leading of a star manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth:

mercifully grant that we, who know you now by faith, may at last behold your glory face to face;

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

Creator of the heavens, who led the Magi by a star to worship the Christ-child: guide and sustain us, that we may find our journey's end in 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 4th	4:30 - 4:50 pm hot food to eat in or take-away
Tues 5th	4:30 - 4:50 pm food parcels available
Wed 6th	4:30 - 4:50 pm hot food to eat in or take-away
Thurs 7th	11:00 am Holy Communion 4:30 - 4:50 pm food parcels available
Fri 8th	4:30 - 4:50 pm hot food to eat in or take-away
Sat 9th	4:30 - 4:50 pm food parcels available
Sun10th	1:00 – 1:30 pm Sunday Lunch 6:00 – 7:00 pm Sanctuary's Drop-in Zoom Session Meeting ID: 960 6015 0061 Passcode: 766049

Afternoon Church service next Sunday 10th January

There was a little confusion last time with regards to booking and tables, so please:

1. You must book a place for you and/or family. This is done by emailing Chris directly (chris.clayton@leeds.anglican).
2. Doors are open from 4:00 pm and the service starts at 4:15 pm.
3. Sanitise your hands on entry and exit of the church building.
4. Face coverings must be worn throughout the service.
5. Tables will now be 'first come first served'.
6. Once all the tables are filled the pews will be opened up.

Many thanks, Chris Clayton

Next Sunday 10th January

The Baptism of Christ

9:30	Family Communion
11:00	Choral Matins
4:15	Afternoon Church
6:30	Choral Evensong

To check availability and to book a pew at our morning services contact Carole Raw by noon on Thursdays at stpeterschurchhqtoffice@gmail.com
For Afternoon Church contact Chris Clayton on 07407 258733.

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.

Holocaust Memorial Day – 27th January 2021



The theme for Holocaust Memorial Day (HMD) 2021 is **Be the light in the darkness**. It encourages everyone to reflect on the depths humanity can sink to, but also the ways individuals and communities resisted that darkness to 'be the light' before, during and after genocide. We can all stand

in solidarity. We can choose to **be the light in the darkness** in a variety of ways and places – at home, in public, and online.

Darkness draws in

Before every genocide, perpetrators use propaganda and stereotyping to identify and victimise specific groups. This is followed by discrimination – often enshrined into law.

In the 1930s the Nazis encouraged people to fear Jewish people by stereotyping them as greedy, evil and a threat to Germany – anti-Jewish propaganda was spread using posters, films, books, radio broadcasts and newspapers. In 1935, the Nuremberg Laws stripped not only Jews of their citizenship and civil rights, but also Romani and Black people. Disabled people were cruelly portrayed as burdens on the state. Homosexual men were portrayed as 'degenerates', who would weaken German society.

In Rwanda, propaganda broadcast on radio stations and printed in newspapers sought to dehumanise the Tutsi minority, calling them 'cockroaches' and 'snakes', encouraging Hutus to view them as less than human.

The darkness leading to genocide, and of the genocide itself, creates not only fear for physical safety, but also deep emotional trauma. Fear, hopelessness, dread – all have a profound and long-lasting impact. In a society led by perpetrator regimes, those persecuted can lose trust in their government, local communities and even in friends and family members. Mental and physical health is often impacted by the cruelty and indifference targeted groups experience and can damage their ability to build future relationships.

In Cambodia when the Khmer Rouge took power, children were separated from their parents, residents forced from their homes in the cities to the countryside, and religion abolished. This deliberately cut important connections for people and isolated them from their homes, family and faith.

Today, faced with online misinformation and hostile 'alternative facts', we can often feel vulnerable and helpless. It is important that we remember to support those targeted by hostility, and strive to confront prejudice whenever, and wherever, we encounter it.

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By 1941 Jews were required by law to self-identify by wearing a yellow star

Giving to support the work of St Peter's Church

No collection is taken during our services, but a plate is left by the door for your offering in support of the mission and ministry of this Church. If you would prefer to give by card, there is a contactless card machine in the South Transept. If you prefer to set up a bank transfer, please use these account details:

St Peter's Church PCC Harrogate

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 (10th January) will be noon on Wednesday 6th January. Please send any items (including photos) to Alan Garrow or to Marian Chambers (addresses below).

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You can join us
online or in person



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