



# Weekly News

11<sup>th</sup> August 2024

*The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity*

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## The Olympics illustrate unity, peace and love

In a world grappling with division and strife, and a county recently shocked by local rioting, the 2024 Olympics in Paris stand as a beacon of hope and a testament to the power of unity and cooperation. The Olympic Games remind us that we all have a higher calling placed on us.

Athletes from diverse backgrounds have gathered to compete, their hearts set on gold yet embodying a deeper, more profound mission. They exemplify the Biblical principle found in 1 Corinthians 12:12-14, which speaks of the body of Christ: though it has many parts, it is one body. The Olympics



illustrate this beautifully, showing how individuals from myriad nations and cultures can unite for a common purpose, reflecting the interconnectedness of humanity.

Despite the backdrop of unrest, where communities have been torn apart by violence and discord, the Games offer a powerful counter-narrative. They reveal that cooperation and understanding can transcend differences. The athletes' dedication, discipline, and teamwork serve as a powerful metaphor for how society can navigate its challenges—not through division, but through solidarity and shared goals. The Christian message of love, peace, and unity resonates strongly during this time. The teachings of Jesus advocate for reconciliation and harmony, values that are desperately needed in today's climate. The world has watched the Olympic athletes strive together, let us be inspired to emulate their spirit of collaboration in our own communities.

In these turbulent times, the 2024 Olympics provide not just a spectacle of human achievement, but a hopeful vision of what we can achieve together, united by faith, love and a common purpose. May this global event kindle a renewed commitment to peace and unity, reminding us that, indeed, we are all parts of Christ's one body.

Chris Clayton, *Associate Vicar of St Peter's Church Harrogate*

## Men's Breakfast at St Peter's: Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> August 2024

### MEN'S BREAKFAST



every 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month

Beginning with Morning Prayers at 8:00 am for those who wish to take part, and breakfast from 8:30 to 9:00 am, followed by an informal discussion session in The Gallery for perhaps 30 minutes or so. Please text Bryn Heapy on 07561 889 076 if you are planning to come or email him at [brynsusie@hotmail.com](mailto:brynsusie@hotmail.com).

### Come for lunch next Sunday

The Sunday Lunch Club meets again next Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August. It is open to everyone and there's no need to book or bring anything – although any donations towards the cost will be gratefully received! Lunch will be served at 1:00 pm. Please speak to Hannah Beck (07503 186 455) or Yvonne Dawes (07960 779 381) if you would like to know more.



### Recycling at St Peter's Church



St Peter's Environment Action Team would like to establish a rota of people who can help with taking our waste to one of the Harrogate Recycling Centres. Their hope is that with enough volunteers this will be just an occasional task, perhaps once a month or less. If you are able to help, please email [environment@STPHG.onmicrosoft.com](mailto:environment@STPHG.onmicrosoft.com) or speak to Charles Stones (07305 491 453).

*Our preacher this morning, Catharine Davies, has asked for this poem by Malcolm Guite to be printed in the Weekly News today:*

### ***I am the Bread of Life***

*Where to get bread?* An ever-pressing question  
That trembles on the lips of anxious mothers,  
Bread for their families, bread for all these others;  
A whole world on the margin of exhaustion.  
And where that hunger has been satisfied  
*Where to get bread?* The question still returns  
In our abundance something starves and yearns  
We crave fulfilment, crave and are denied.

And then comes One who speaks into our needs  
Who opens out the secret hopes we cherish  
Whose presence calls our hidden hearts to flourish  
Whose words unfold in us like living seeds  
Come to me, broken, hungry, incomplete,  
I Am the Bread of Life, break Me and eat.

Then Jesus declared, "I am the bread of life.  
Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and  
whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.



## St Peter's Afternoon Fellowship

St Peter's Afternoon Fellowship meets again on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> August, from 2:00 – 4:00 pm at Church. Sue Heapy, who leads our Flower Team at St Peter's, will be the speaker with a talk entitled 'Oman – The Jewel of Arabia'. Please call Leigh Thompson on 01423 884 899 or 07824 747 912 if you would like to come.



Zak Armour played Mr Tumnus in 'Narnia the Musical' in 2023.

## News from St Peter's Players

Our drama group, St Peter's Players, had planned to put on a production of *Beauty and the Beast* from 21<sup>st</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2024. Casting was well underway, but some delays with the performing rights licence and the introduction of some new safeguarding measures means that the production team have decided to postpone *Beauty and the Beast* until next year. However, instead they will be putting on a variety show with medleys and solos from musicals such as *Mary Poppins*, *Wicked* and *the Lion King*. The first rehearsal will be held on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September at 7:00 pm in Church.

The Players hope to hold a raffle again this year; if you would like to volunteer to organise this, please be in touch with John Hain ([jmhhain@gmail.com](mailto:jmhhain@gmail.com)) or the director, Christine Littlewood, ([christinelittlewood2012@gmail.com](mailto:christinelittlewood2012@gmail.com)).

## Heritage Open Days 2024: 6<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> September

*Heritage Open Days* is England's largest community led festival of history and culture, involving thousands of local volunteers and organisations.

St Peter's Church will be taking part in the Heritage Open Days from 11<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> September. St Peter's Church is a building which is architecturally striking, a local landmark and a home to a church community with a fascinating history. We hope to share the story and display what it has contributed to this community over the years.

**Can you help us?** We are looking for old photographs of events such as weddings, social events or services that have taken place in the past. Please contact Mo Atkinson (07846 440 193) with anything you would like to share.

## Frances Roxby-Proud takes up the challenge

I have taken on a challenge during the month of August to do 100 squats a day to raise money for Cancer Research UK. I hate squats but I hate cancer even more which is why I am



going to complete this trial. I have experienced cancer myself and sadly lost family members - my lovely mum included – as well as friends, to this terrible disease. Here is the link to my giving page should anyone feel like supporting my cause!

<https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/frances-giving-page-2838>.

# Today's Services: 11<sup>th</sup> August 2024

*The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity*

**8:30 Holy Communion**

**9:30 Family Communion**

*Sunday Club is closed for the Summer, but all children and their parents are welcome to gather in the café area, where there are toys and activities to share during our Family Communion Service.*

**Hymns** 646 All I once held dear; Christ be in my waking: 830 I, the Lord of sea and sky (v1 and 3); How great is our God

**Readings** Ephesians 4 v 25 – 5 v 2  
John 6 v 35 and v 41 - 51

**Preacher:** Catharine Davies

**Our Duty Wardens today are:**

Eve Hawkins and  
Richard Bion

**11:00 Choral Matins**

**Setting** Ireland in F (Jubilate)

**Hymns** 2, 600, 418

**Psalm** 89 v 1 - 19

**Readings** 1 Kings 19 v 4 – 8  
John 6 v 35 and v 41 - 51

**Anthem** King of glory (*Bach*)

**Preacher:** Catharine Davies

**4:15 pm Stepping Stones Service Holy Communion**

**Preacher:** Chris Clayton

**6:30 Choral Evensong**

**Setting** Carolus Andreas (Fauxbourdons)

**Hymns** 477, 421, 569

**Psalm** 91

**Readings** Job 39 v 1 – 40 v 4  
Hebrews 12 v 1 – 17

**Anthem** Lord for thy tender mercies's sake (*Farrant*)

**Preacher:** John Knott

## Prayer Ministry at the 9:30 am service

At the 9:30 Service we offer prayer with members of our Prayer Ministry Team. If you would appreciate prayer for any reason, please come to St Mary's Chapel after you have received Communion and wait in the pews there. The team members will introduce themselves, ask for your prayer request and pray with you.



**Please pray for those who have asked for our prayers:**

Pat Anderson, Graham Cornish, Jane Crabtree, Peter Dickinson, Tony Edwards, Louise Emrullahu, Rose Green, June Hemmings, Trevor Hughes, Jackie Kelly, Rachel Looby, Elaine Manaley, Derek Mansfield, Steve Martin, Kim Okell, Sheila Pantin, Graham Pearce, Matthew Pindell, Celia Preston, Richard Sadler and Michelle Simon.

**Also in our prayers this week:**

- Mon** The families of the three young children killed in Southport  
Those impacted by the violent disorder in UK towns and cities
- Tues** Victims of domestic abuse  
Harrogate Women's Refuge
- Wed** Sîan Lockwood, Churchwarden  
Those serving refreshments after our services
- Thurs** All those receiving their A level results today  
The Market Day Café
- Fri** Leigh Thompson, PCC secretary  
Our Deanery Representatives
- Sat** St Peter's Choir  
John Longstaff, Director of Music

**Daily Bible Readings**

*Morning Prayer is at 8:00 am and Evening Prayer at 5:00 pm daily. You can also listen to these daily services via the [Daily Prayer website](#). These are the readings we will be using in Church each morning this week:*

- Mon** Psalm 80  
2 Samuel 3 v 12 to end  
Acts 6
- Tues** *Florence Nightingale, Nurse, Social Reformer, 1910*  
*Octavia Hill, Social Reformer, 1912*  
Psalm 89 v 1 - 18  
2 Samuel 5 v 1 - 12  
Acts 7 v 1 - 16
- Wed** Psalm 119 v 105 - 128  
2 Samuel 6 v 1 - 19  
Acts 7 v 17 - 43
- Thurs** *The Blessed Virgin Mary*  
Psalm 98  
Isaiah 7 v 10 - 15  
Luke 11 v 27 - 28
- Fri** Psalm 88  
2 Samuel 7 v 18 to end  
Acts 7 v 54 - 8 v 3
- Sat** Psalm 97  
2 Samuel 9  
Acts 8 v 4 - 25

**The Collect for *The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity***

(Common Worship)

God of glory, the end of our searching, help us to lay aside all that prevents us from seeking your kingdom, and to give all that we have to gain the pearl beyond all price, through our Saviour Jesus Christ.

**The Collect for *The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity*** (Book of Common Prayer)

O God, who declarest thy almighty power most chiefly in shewing mercy and pity: Mercifully grant unto us such a measure of thy grace, that we, running the way of thy commandments, may obtain thy gracious promises, and be made partakers of thy heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

# What's on This Week

*St Peter's Church is open to visitors from 9:30 am – 3:30 pm every day except Sundays.  
Harrogate U3A Photography Group are exhibiting their members work in the Glass  
Foyer from 12<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> August.*

- Mon 12<sup>th</sup>** 10:30 am *St Peter's Strollers* are meeting at the Crescent Gardens (near the old Council Offices) for a walk and refreshments  
11:00 am – 1:00 pm *Sit-n-Knit* in Church  
1:30 – 3:00 pm The *Thinking about God* group are meeting in the Bramall Gallery  
2:00 pm The U3A Singing Folk group
- Tues 13<sup>th</sup>** **12:00 – 12:30 pm Healing Service**  
2:00 – 4:00 pm St Peter's Afternoon Fellowship
- Wed 14<sup>th</sup>** **10:30 – 11:00 am Café Reflexions**  
4:00 pm free *Move Together* fitness class  
7:30 pm Harrogate Harmony Men's Chorus
- Thurs 15<sup>th</sup>** 9:30 – 11:00 am The Toddler Group at St Peter's  
**11:00 am Holy Communion**  
11:30 am – 1:00 pm *Write for Rights* with Amnesty International
- Fri 16<sup>th</sup>** 9:30 am AA meeting in the Music Room  
10:00 am – 12:00 pm St Peter's Cleaning Team  
7:00 – 8:15 pm Bellringing Practice at St Peter's
- Sat 17<sup>th</sup>** 8:00 am Men's Breakfast  
10:00 am – 1:00 pm Light refreshments will be served in Church
- Sun 18<sup>th</sup>** ***The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity***  
1:00 pm The Sunday Lunch Club  
7:30 – 8:30 pm AA meeting in the Brostoff Hall

## Next Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August

### ***The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity***

- 8:30 Holy Communion  
9:30 Family Communion  
11:00 Choral Matins  
4:15 Stepping Stones Service  
– *Service of the Word*  
6:30 Choral Communion

**The Breakfast Club** provides a free, hot breakfast from Monday to Saturday (8:15 – 8:45 am) for all those who are hungry or in need. A hot **Sunday lunch** is also served each week at 1:00 pm, except for the third Sunday of the month when it is *Sunday Lunch Club*. **Hot food** is available 4:30 – 4:50 pm on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. **Our mini Supermarket** is on Thursdays 4:30 – 4:50 pm.

## A beginner's guide to Evensong: Canticles

The Anglican service of Evensong follows the traditional pattern as written in The Book of Common Prayer of 1549 by Thomas Cranmer, and consists of choral music (the responses, psalms, **canticles** and anthems) from the rich Anglican musical tradition, along with scripture readings, and prayers.

### But what is a canticle?

Two canticles are sung at Evensong – they are sacred songs based on Biblical texts other than the Book of Psalms. The *Nunc Dimittis*, from Luke's Gospel, is the Song offered up by Simeon after taking the baby Jesus in his arms in the Temple in Jerusalem. It recognises the fulfilment of a promise that he would not die until he had seen the Messiah. The text begins 'Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace'. This canticle was originally part of Compline and marks a peaceful, contemplative closing of the day.

The *Magnificat*, also from the Gospel of Luke; is the joyful Song of Mary on the occasion of her visit to her cousin Elizabeth. It is a reflection on the news that she is to bear the Christ Child. The text begins

'My soul doth magnify the Lord: and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.'



## Popular Organ Recital

by John Longstaff

St Peter's Organist and Director of Music

2:00pm Bank Holiday Monday 26th August

Organ music for a summer afternoon

by Bach, Handel, Mendelssohn, J. Strauss II and others

Tickets £10 including cream tea afterwards

All proceeds to choir and organ funds.



Let All Men Sing (LAMS)

## Social Sing-Along

7.30pm / Weds 21st August

St Peter's Church

Cambridge Street

Harrogate HG1 1PM

(entrance next to Primark)

Singing for pleasure and spending time with like-minded people is really beneficial for our mental health and wellbeing.

So, come along and sing with us in a friendly and informal environment.

### JUST TURN UP

- Newcomers & experienced singers most welcome
- There is no need to read music
- Men of all ages are welcome

An evening's singing, including refreshments and time to socialise for just £5, (cash payable on the door).

For more information  
call Leo on 07545 498326  
or email at  
[pro@harrogateharmony.org.uk](mailto:pro@harrogateharmony.org.uk)





Refreshments are served after each of our Sunday morning services from



the kitchen area at the front of Church. Please come and join us.



St Peter's is continuing to give out food **every day** to those in need. Please, when you do your shopping this week, remember to pick up a few tins or some toiletries to bring to Church next week to put in the hamper. **Thank you!**

### Next Week's Deadline

The deadline for the next edition of the Weekly News (18<sup>th</sup> August) will be noon on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> August. Please send any items (including photos) to **The Weekly News Editor**, Marian Chambers, or to the Associate Vicar, Chris Clayton.



**New to St Peter's?** Please fill in one of the welcome cards in the pews and hand it to one of the Clergy.

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