

Weekly News

11th August 2024

The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

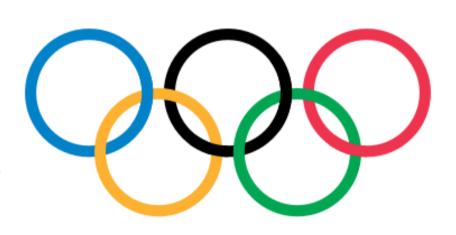
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The Olympics illustrate unity, peace and love

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 17th August 2024



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.

Come for lunch next Sunday

The Sunday Lunch Club meets again next Sunday 18th 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

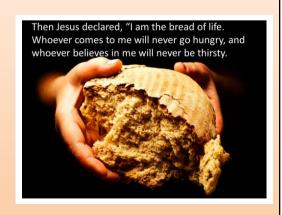
are able to help, please email <u>environment@STPHG.onmicrosoft.com</u> or speak to Charles Stones (07305 491 453).

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

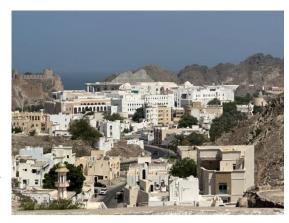
Where to get bread? An ever-pressing question
That trembles on the lips of anxious mothers,
Bread for their families, bread for all these others;
A whole world on the margin of exhaustion.
And where that hunger has been satisfied
Where to get bread? The question still returns
In our abundance something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



St Peter's Afternoon Fellowship

St Peter's Afternoon Fellowship meets again on Tuesday 13th 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 21st to 23rd 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 2nd 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 (imhhain@gmail.com) or the director, Christine Littlewood, (christinelittlewood2012@gmail.com).

Heritage Open Days 2024: 6th - 15th 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 $11^{th} - 14^{th}$ 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



100 Squats a Day Challenge in August



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/francess-giving-page-2838.

Today's Services: 11th 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 Ionce held dear; Christ be in my waking: 830 I, the Lord

of sea and sky (v1 and 3); How great is our God

Our Duty Wardens today are:

Eve Hawkins and

Richard Bion

Readings Ephesians 4 v 25 - 5 v 2

John 6 v 35 and v 41 - 51

Preacher: Catharine Davies

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 <u>Daily Prayer website</u>. 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 Fover from $12^{th} - 17^{th}$ August.

Mon 12th 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 13th 12:00 – 12:30 pm Healing Service

2:00 – 4:00 pm St Peter's Afternoon Fellowship

Wed 14th 10:30 – 11:00 am Café RefleXions

4:00 pm free *Move Together* fitness class 7:30 pm Harrogate Harmony Men's Chorus

Thurs 15th 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 16th 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 17th 8:00 am Men's Breakfast

10:00 am - 1:00 pm Light refreshments will be served in Church

Sun 18th 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 18th August The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

8:30 Holy Communion9:30 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

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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.



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 (18th August) will be noon on Wednesday 14th 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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