



# Weekly News

12<sup>th</sup> February 2023

The Second Sunday before Lent

[www.stpetersharrogate.org.uk](http://www.stpetersharrogate.org.uk)

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

## An invitation for you

Do you like meeting people? Chatting over tea or coffee? Learning about other cultures? Making things? Helping people understand how things work in the UK? Games and puzzles? The Chinese New Year celebration in Church last month?

If you answered 'yes' to one or more of those questions, you might enjoy Café Connect on Friday mornings starting on 24<sup>th</sup> February. It's a relaxed place for people who are new to the UK, and others who've been here longer, to spend time together. We're inviting you, whether you're a Hong Konger recently arrived in Britain, a less recent arrival (from anywhere) or a lifelong Harrogatonian.

Sessions are a mix of unstructured chatting, stories, craft activities, everyday English, discussion, and general knowledge. There's also talk of cake (or at least biscuits!). So, it's pretty laidback, but includes practical help with everyday things like talking to a plumber or a doctor. And things that immigrants need to know for the Life in the UK Test (like how often we have elections, or the national flower of Wales).

Most of all, this is an invitation to have a nice time with some of God's kids.

*Café Connect is from 10:30 am – 12:30 pm in the Brostoff Hall on these ten Fridays:*

24<sup>th</sup> February;  
3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>  
March;  
21<sup>st</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> April;  
5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> May.

*For more information,  
see the course leaders  
or Alan Garrow.*

Michelle Chan and  
Charlie Martineau,  
*Café Connect Course  
Leaders*



## Men's Breakfast at St Peter's: Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2023

### 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 19<sup>th</sup> February. 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.



### St Peter's Ladies who Lunch



## St Peter's Ladies who Lunch

The Ladies who Lunch are meeting again on **Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February** at 12:15 pm at the Palm Court Café at the bottom of Montpellier Hill. If you would like to join them for food and fellowship, then please contact Sue Heapy (07540 355 305) or [brynsusie@hotmail.com](mailto:brynsusie@hotmail.com) before 19<sup>th</sup> February, so she can book a table.

## WRITE FOR RIGHTS

A LETTER FROM YOU COULD CHANGE SOMEONE'S LIFE

'The amount of messages I received from Amnesty activists gives me a lot of hope despite all the challenges.'

Azza Hilal Ahmad Suleiman, Egypt



The local group of Amnesty International UK hold a Write for Rights session on the third Thursday of the month from 11:30 am - 1:00 pm in St Peter's Church.

Amnesty International

[www.amnesty.org.uk/write](http://www.amnesty.org.uk/write)



Practice conversational English



Find out about local facilities and services



Learn UK history and adjust to the culture



Meet local people and make friends

### Join a free session at

**Place:** The Brostoff Hall, St Peter's Church,  
Cambridge Street, Harrogate, HG1 1RW

**Day:** Feb 24, Mar 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, Apr 21, 28, May 5, 12

**Time:** Fridays 10.30am - 12.30pm

**No need to book—just drop in!**



## Confirmation Classes are starting at St Peter's in April



*Vendel Keszthelyi and Amelia Vance were confirmed in 2022*

If you are considering being confirmed then the **Confirmation Classes** starting this April at St Peter's are for you! The classes, on Wednesday at 4:00 pm, are for secondary school age children and will follow the **Start!** Course – the first one is on 19<sup>th</sup> April at Church. The former Bishop of Oxford, The Rt Revd John Pritchard, will be coming to St Peter's to confirm candidates on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> June at 7:30 pm. Please speak to Chris Clayton (07407 258 733 or [chris.clayton@leeds.anglican.org](mailto:chris.clayton@leeds.anglican.org)) to find out more.

## Join us in the World Day of Prayer Service

This year the women of Taiwan have prepared a service for the World Day of Prayer 2023. You can join in at West Park URC at 2:00 pm on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March, as we give thanks for the beautiful island and people of Taiwan and encourage one another in our faith.



**WE'RE BACK  
FOR 2023!**



## Bookings for Ripon Camp 2023 are OPEN!

A fun-filled holiday that offers young people aged 12 – 17 the opportunity to make great friends, take part in incredible activities and explore life with Jesus. To find out more visit [www.ventures.org.uk/holiday/ripon-2023](http://www.ventures.org.uk/holiday/ripon-2023) or speak to Sam or Chris Clayton (07407 258 733).



**Event : The Bereavement Journey**

**Dates : Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2023 (for 6 weeks)**

**Time : 7:30 – 9:45 pm @ St Marks Church, Leeds Road**

**Cost : FREE (optional donation:£10)**

please book by 8<sup>th</sup> Feb.  
([pastoralcare@smch.org.uk](mailto:pastoralcare@smch.org.uk) / 01423 544528).

The Bereavement Journey is for anyone who has been bereaved at any time.

The course is a tried and tested way to help anyone who has been bereaved. Each week comprises two films which help guide people through the most common aspects of grief, each followed by an opportunity for discussion in a small group, and includes refreshments. Session 6 is optional and offers a Christian perspective to commonly asked faith questions in bereavement.

For more info please visit : [www.thebereavementjourney.org](http://www.thebereavementjourney.org)







**Come and enjoy our..**

**Warm space**

**Warm welcome**

**Monday to Saturday 09.30 – 3.30pm**

-  Hot drinks available;
-  Free wi-fi and tables for your laptop;
-  Please respect others using this quiet space.
-  Sorry - no meetings

**We aim to provide a warm, safe and welcoming space in the colder months.**

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# Today's Services: 12<sup>th</sup> February 2023

The Second Sunday before Lent

Sexagesima (BCP)

## 8:30 Holy Communion

## 9:30 Family Communion

*As it is half-term, there is **no** Sunday Club for school age children today, 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** 1407 King of the ages; 1630 Wonderful grace; 1472 O God of love; 1604 When I needed a neighbour

**Readings** Romans 8 v 18 - 25  
Matthew 6 v 25 to end

**Preacher:** Stewart Davies

**Our Duty Wardens today are:**

Eve Hawkins  
and Richard Bion

## 11:00 Choral Matins

**Setting** Moeran in Eflat (Te Deum)

**Hymns** 1, 254, 507

**Psalm** 150

**Readings** Genesis 1 v 1 – 2 v 3  
Matthew 6 v 25 to end

**Anthem** All things bright and beautiful (*Rutter*)

**Preacher:** Stewart Davies

## 4:15 pm Stepping Stones Service Holy Communion

**Preacher:** Helen Jones

## 6:30 Choral Evensong

**Setting** Alcock in Bflat

**Hymns** 267, 391, 502 (omit \*verse)

**Psalm** 148

**Readings** Proverbs 8 v 1 and v 22 - 31  
Luke 12 v 16 - 31

**Anthem** O where shall wisdom be found (*Boyce*)

**Preacher:** Oliver Longstaff

## This week's worship online

We are continuing to live stream Morning and Evening Prayer on Facebook and Zoom at 8:00 am and 5:00 pm from Monday to Saturday. To join in follow the [links](#) on our website. Whenever we are unable to stream these services, it is possible to follow the day's liturgy via the national [Daily Prayer website](#).

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

Pat Anderson, Robert Bickford, Georgia Gabrielle Bradley, Michael Bradley, Judith Clark, Richard Couzens, Margie Dickinson, Tony Edwards, Geni Emrullahu, Louise Emrullahu, David Fisher, Pete Hallam, Vicky Harrison, June Hemmings, Trevor Hughes, Jackie Kelly, Steve Martin, Sheila Pantin, Frances Roxby-Proud and Michelle Simon.

**Also in our prayers this week:**

<b>Mon</b>	Those affected by the devastating earthquakes in Turkey and Syria All who seek to bring aid and rescue to the survivors
<b>Tues</b>	All those providing care or help to a vulnerable person St Peter's Pastoral Support Team
<b>Wed</b>	St Aidan's CE High School <b>Sanctuary</b> , St Peter's Youth Group
<b>Thurs</b>	All emergency service workers Those whose time is spent caring for others
<b>Fri</b>	St Peter's <i>Ladies who Lunch</i> St Peter's Flower Team
<b>Sat</b>	St Peter's Choir John Longstaff, Director of Music

**Daily Readings**

*Morning Prayer is at 8:00 am and Evening Prayer at 5:00 pm daily. Both services are livestreamed on Facebook and Zoom – join in by following the links on our website. These are the Bible readings we will be using each morning this week.*

<b>Mon</b>	Psalm 44 2 Chronicles 9 v 1 - 12 John 19 v 1 - 16
<b>Tues</b>	<b>Cyril and Methodius, Missionaries to the Slavs</b> <i>Valentine, Martyr at Rome</i> Psalm 48 2 Chronicles 10 v 1 – 11 v 4 John 19 v 17 - 30
<b>Wed</b>	<i>Sigfrid, Apostle of Sweden</i> Psalm 119 v 57 - 80 2 Chronicles 12 John 19 v 31 to end
<b>Thurs</b>	Psalm 57 2 Chronicles 13 v 1 – 14 v 1 John 20 v 1 - 10
<b>Fri</b>	<i>Janani Luwum, Archbishop of Uganda, Martyr, 1977</i> Psalm 51 2 Chronicles 14 v 2 to end John 20 v 11 - 18
<b>Sat</b>	Psalm 68 2 Chronicles 15 v 1 - 15 John 20 v 19 to end

**The Collect for the Second Sunday before Lent (Common Worship)**

Almighty God, give us reverence for all creation and respect for every person, that we may mirror your likeness in Jesus Christ our Lord.

**The Collect for The Sunday called Sexagesima (Book of Common Prayer)**

O Lord God, who seest that we put not our trust in any thing that we do: Mercifully grant that by thy power we may be defended against all adversity; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

# What's on This Week

*St Peter's Church is open as a **Warm Welcome Space** from 9:30 am – 3:30 pm every day except Sundays.*

<b>Mon 13<sup>th</sup></b>	1:30 – 3:00 pm The <i>Thinking about God</i> group meets in the Undercroft 2:00 pm The U3A Singing Folk group
<b>Tues 14<sup>th</sup></b>	<b><i>St Valentine's Day</i></b> <b>12:00 – 12:30 pm Healing Service</b>
<b>Wed 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>10:30 – 11:00 am Café RefleXions</b> 2:00 – 4:00 pm <i>Spectrum</i> , a social group for widows and widowers, meet in the Brostoff Hall 7:30 pm Harrogate Harmony Men's Chorus
<b>Thurs 16<sup>th</sup></b>	9:30 – 11:00 am The Toddler Group at St Peter's <b>11:00 am Holy Communion</b> 11:30 am – 1:00 pm <i>Write for Rights</i> with Amnesty International 7:30 pm St Peter's Choir Practice
<b>Fri 17<sup>th</sup></b>	9:30 am AA meeting in the Music Room 10:00 am – 12:00 pm St Peter's Cleaning Team
<b>Sat 18<sup>th</sup></b>	8:00 am Men's Breakfast at St Peter's
<b>Sun 19<sup>th</sup></b>	<b><i>The Sunday next before Lent</i></b> 1:00 pm The Sunday Lunch Club 7:30 – 8:30 pm AA meeting in the Brostoff Hall

Well done to everyone involved in the St Peter's Refreshment Day on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> February - £466 was raised for Church funds. The book sale held on the same day raised £481. Many thanks to Catherine Medforth (along with her team) and Daniel Brewer for all your hard work!

## Next Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> February

### ***The Sunday next before Lent***

8:30	Holy Communion
9:30	Family Communion
11:00	Choral Matins
4:15	Stepping Stones Service – <i>Crafternoon Church</i>
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.



# Dust and Glory - the Church of England's Lent campaign 2023



Offering 40 daily reflections for Lent on faith, failure and forgiveness, this campaign invites you to find God in the mess of everyday life. Each week it considers the idea of failure from a different angle and explores the difference God's

redeeming work in Jesus makes to the struggles and shortcomings of human life.

There are two booklets available:

- The **adult's edition** offers daily Bible readings, short reflections, prayers and practical ideas to help you make sense of life's challenges and draw closer to God during Lent.
- The **child's edition** provides an age-appropriate daily challenge to do, learn or think about something. There are also weekly themes, prayers and short Bible readings - all exploring the theme of **Dust and Glory**.

Find out about all the ways you and your family can get involved in the **Dust and Glory** journey, including videos for young people and ideas for churches and groups [on the Church of England website](#).

## Pregnancy Loss Training with Reflect

Reflect is the initiative of local churches working together to provide a free support service in North Yorkshire for anyone facing a pregnancy choice and for those in need of support after experiencing pregnancy or neonatal Loss. We have had a significant increase in demand for our services, and are therefore recruiting and training new volunteers to help us meet that need. We are looking for Christians who are good listeners and have a heart to help others.

Our Pregnancy Loss training will be taught by experienced counsellors and trainers over a four month period from March to June 2023. Volunteers will be trained to provide our structured support programme '**Reflections: Walking through loss**'. Training will be over 10 Sessions, (6 sessions on Zoom, and 4 in person at the Gateway Centre, Acomb.)

For more information see our website:

<https://reflectsupport.co.uk/news-and-events> or email [info@reflectsupport.co.uk](mailto:info@reflectsupport.co.uk).

### PREGNANCY LOSS TRAINING

Are you a good listener? Is God calling you to help those in need?  
Would you like to be equipped to walk alongside people in their grief?



1 in 5 pregnancies ends in miscarriage  
7 babies are stillborn everyday in the UK  
573 abortions take place daily in Eng/Wales

We are looking for Christian volunteers to undergo our training and join Reflect to help meet this need.

 Reflect

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 or some warm socks/gloves to bring to Church next week to put in the hamper. **Thank you!**



The flowers in Church this Sunday are in loving memory of  
**Josie Nixon,**  
a lovely friend

**Welcome to  
St Peter's Church**

*You can join us online or in person*

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

## Next Week's Deadline

The deadline for the next edition of the Weekly News (19<sup>th</sup> February) will be noon on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February. Please send any items to Alan Garrow or to Marian Chambers.

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