



# Weekly News

12<sup>th</sup> May 2024

*The Seventh Sunday of Easter*

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## Poverty pushed Aline to the brink of survival

In Burundi, malnourishment and poverty affect more than 70% of the population, making survival a daily struggle. Jobs and food are hard to come by, and those who have homes often have no electricity or running water.



Aline Nibogora is now thirty-five and lives in Burundi. She was married young and when she was fourteen, gave birth to the first of her six children. Her husband was violent and beat her regularly - - one day it got so bad, she fled. Forced to leave her children behind, Aline wandered the streets hungry, scorned and alone.

In a patriarchal society where men dominate in almost every aspect, life is particularly challenging for women – they have been conditioned to be dependent on and dominated by men.

But Aline found the strength and determination to push back against the injustices she was facing. She went to a community workshop funded by **Christian Aid** where she learned about Village Savings and Loans Associations (VSLAs).

With a small start-up loan, Aline began trading avocados and peanuts locally; then used the profits to slowly build up her business. She is now the chairperson of the VSLA in her village and has helped twenty-five other families. She's been reunited with three of her sons and lives on her own plot of land.

**Christian Aid** supporters helped make this transformation for Aline and her neighbours – as well as millions of other people in the most vulnerable communities around the world. Please give as generously as you can this **Christian Aid Week**.



## St Peter's Afternoon Fellowship

Afternoon Fellowship meets on the second Tuesday of the month from 2:00 – 4:00 pm at Church. The next meeting is on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May, when the speaker will be John Knott, with a talk entitled: 'What was it like in the olden days, grandpa?' Afternoon tea will be served afterwards. Please call Leigh Thompson on 01423 884 888 or 07824 747 912 if you would like to come.

## Our Fundraising Refreshment Day

There is a St Peter's Fundraising Refreshment Day to raise funds for our Church on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May from 10:00 am until 3:30 pm. They will be serving morning coffee, light lunches and afternoon teas. If you are in town on Saturday, please come and support this fundraising event in Church. Thank you!

## The Parish Walk 2024

Helen Harrison is organising a Parish Walk on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June. The 14-mile circular walk starts (and finishes) at St Peter's Church, calling at ten different churches in Harrogate, Starbeck, Ripley, Killinghall and Bilton on the way round. You can walk just as far as you like; no distance is too short.

Dogs are very welcome. If you would like to join in with this event, please contact Helen ([hfhudy5@gmail.com](mailto:hfhudy5@gmail.com) or 07879 877 353) and she will be more than happy to discuss ways to enable you to be involved.



## Come for lunch next Sunday

The Sunday Lunch Club meets again next Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May. 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. Contact Hannah Beck (07503 186 455) or Yvonne Dawes (07960 779 381) if you need to know more.



**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May at 7:00 pm  
at St Peter's Church**



*A concert in aid of The Police Treatment  
Centres in Harrogate and Auchterarder*

### **Elgar Cello Concerto**

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May at 7:30 pm  
Ripon Cathedral

Tickets £15 [www.bpsO.org.uk/ripon](http://www.bpsO.org.uk/ripon)

# Congratulations to Duncan and Fran Goodwin!



The Channel 4 talent show *The Piano*, hosted by Claudia Winkleman, returned for a second series on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April. Amateur pianists are invited to publicly perform on street pianos in the concourses of UK railway stations.

The winners will be given the amazing opportunity to perform at the Royal Festival Hall.

In the first episode at Manchester's Piccadilly station Duncan performed a poignant love song, which he had written especially for his wife Fran. The couple were then interviewed on ITV's daytime show *This Morning* by Ben Shephard and Cat Deeley – you can watch the interview on [YouTube](#).

## Men's Breakfast at St Peter's: Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May 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](mailto:brynsusie@hotmail.com).



## Come to Sanctuary, our youth group

Sanctuary is a youth group that welcomes everyone from the local area who attends secondary school. They meet during term time on Sunday evenings 5:30 – 7:00 pm in the Brostoff Hall and aim to offer a sanctuary away from the pressures of school, exams, and social media. This term they are holding an *I'm a Celebrity – get me out of here!* night; a *Great Sanctuary Bake Off* (see left); and club nights where there is PS4, table tennis, music and food. In June there's a trip to the outdoor, activity centre at Ripley and an end of year BBQ. If you are in Year 6, going up to high school in September, there's a special welcome night for you – for full details speak to Chris Clayton, the Associate Vicar.

# Today's Services: 12<sup>th</sup> May 2024

*The Seventh Sunday of Easter*

*The Sunday after Ascension Day (BCP)*

**8:30**      **Holy Communion**

**9:30**      **Family Communion with the Baptism of George Christopher Ollie Kemp**

*There is Sunday Club for school age children today - please gather in the café area at the front of Church at the start of the service. Pre-schoolers and their parents are welcome to stay in this area, where there are Activity Bags to share.*

**Hymns**            **1030** The Lord's my shepherd; **821** Into the darkness; **762** Here is bread; Our God is a great big God

**Readings**        John 17 v 6 - 19

**Preacher:**        Alan Garrow

**Our Duty Wardens today are:**

Sue Heapy and  
Richard Bion

**11:00**      **Choral Matins**

**Setting**            Ireland in F (Te Deum)

**Hymns**            167, 169, 380 (omit \*verse)

**Psalm**             76

**Readings**        Ezekiel 36 v 24 - 28

John 17 v 6 - 19

**Anthem**            God is gone up with a merry noise (*Arthur Hutchings*)

**Preacher:**        Alan Garrow

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

**Preacher:**        Chris Clayton

**6:30**        **Choral Evensong**

**Setting**            Murrill in E

**Hymns**            164, 494, 626

**Psalm**             147

**Readings**        Isaiah 61

Luke 4 v 14 - 21

**Anthem**            God is gone up with a triumphant shout (*Finzi*)

**Preacher:**        Karin Shaw

## 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, Robert Bickford, 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, Matthew Pindell, Richard Sadler and Michelle Simon.

**RIP Alan Fisher**

**Also in our prayers this week:**

- Mon** Vulnerable children with safeguarding and welfare needs  
All Year 6 pupils sitting their SATs this week
- Tues** All who are housebound  
Jan Edwards, Lay Pastoral Minister
- Wed** Aline Nibogora and her children in Burundi  
All those affected by poverty and malnutrition
- Thurs** GP surgeries and health centres  
All attending our Healing Service
- Fri** His Majesty, King Charles III  
Those undergoing treatment for cancer
- Sat** Those who are close to death  
St Michael's Hospice

**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.*

- Mon** Psalm 93  
Numbers 22 v 1 - 35  
Luke 7 v 36 to end
- Tues** *Matthias the Apostle*  
Psalm 16  
1 Samuel 2 v 27 - 35  
Acts 2 v 37 to end
- Wed** Psalm 29  
Numbers 23 v 13 to end  
Luke 8 v 16 - 25
- Thurs** *Caroline Chisholm, Social Reformer, 1877*  
Psalm 24  
Numbers 24  
Luke 8 v 26 - 39
- Fri** Psalm 28  
Numbers 27 v 12 to end  
Luke 8 v 40 to end
- Sat** Psalm 43  
Numbers 32 v 1 - 27  
Luke 9 v 1 – 17

**The Collect for the Seventh Sunday of Easter**

(Common Worship)

Risen, ascended Lord, as we rejoice at your triumph, fill your Church on earth with power and compassion, that all who are estranged by sin may find forgiveness and know your peace, to the glory of God the Father.

**The Collect for the Sunday after Ascension Day** (Book of Common Prayer)

O God the King of glory, who hast exalted thine only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph unto thy kingdom in heaven: We beseech thee, leave us not comfortless; but send to us thine Holy Ghost to comfort us, and exalt us unto the same place whither our Saviour Christ is gone before, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end.

# What's on This Week

*St Peter's Church is open to visitors from 9:30 am – 3:30 pm every day except Sundays. The grass of the Garden of Remembrance will be left uncut this month as St Peter's joins in **No Mow May***

- Mon 13<sup>th</sup>** 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 14<sup>th</sup>** **12:00 – 12:30 pm Healing Service**  
2:00 – 4:00 pm St Peter's Afternoon Fellowship  
6:30 pm 2024 Meeting of the Harrogate Medical Society
- Wed 15<sup>th</sup>** **10:30 – 11:00 am Café RefleXions**  
1:30 – 3:00 pm Harrogate Wellbeing Choir  
7:30 pm Harrogate Harmony Men's Chorus
- Thurs 16<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*  
6:00 – 7:15 pm Confirmation Class for children  
7:30 pm St Peter's Choir Practice
- Fri 17<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 18<sup>th</sup>** Men's Breakfast at St Peter's  
10:00 am – 3:30 pm St Peter's Fundraising Refreshment Day and Book Sale
- Sun 19<sup>th</sup>** ***The Day of Pentecost***  
1:00 pm The Sunday Lunch Club  
7:30 – 8:30 pm AA meeting in the Brostoff Hall  
5:30 – 7:00 pm *Sanctuary*, our youth group, are meeting in the Brostoff Hall

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

### ***The Day of Pentecost***

### ***Whit Sunday***

- 8:30 Holy Communion  
9:30 Family Communion  
11:00 Choral Matins  
4:15 Stepping Stones Service  
– *Crafternoon Church*  
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.

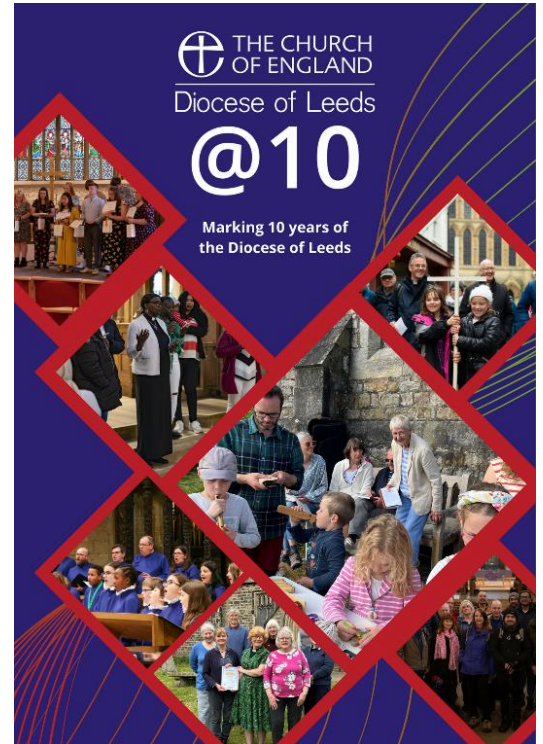
## Could you serve on the Parochial Church Council?

Our Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) takes place on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May at 7:00 pm in Church. At that meeting we elect new members of the Parochial Church Council (PCC) and this year we have space for six new members. If you would like to find out more, then do talk with one of the Clergy, Churchwardens or existing members of the PCC. The nomination forms are available at the Welcome Desk and can also be downloaded from the [PCC page of the Church website](#).

## Leeds @10 Booklet

The 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Diocese of Leeds took place on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2024 and this year is an opportunity for us all to both reflect and look forward to coming decades.

The Leeds @ 10 Booklet, which marks this anniversary by sharing stories from across our Diocese, from our cathedrals, churches and more, is available now. It includes thoughts from the Bishop of Leeds, Nick Baines, and a short piece about the food ministry here at St Peter's. Copies of the booklet are available at the Welcome Desk. It is made of recycled paper and was funded by an external donor. You can also download a copy at the [Diocese of Leeds website](#).



# 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)



*'Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest.'*  
Mark 6:31

## Christian Retreat Days for People Affected by Cancer

**'The God Who Sees'**  
Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2024, 10am to 4pm  
Hollins House, Weetwood Avenue, Headingley, Leeds, West Yorkshire, LS16 5NG

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> July, 10am to 4pm  
Sutton Coldfield Baptist Church, Trinity Hill, The Parade,

Our Firm Roots retreats are an opportunity for anyone affected by cancer to get away from the busyness of life and medical intervention, and to spend some time and space in God's presence. The retreat days are led by Rev Helen Jones who has worked in NHS cancer services for ten years, had cancer herself and is a curate at Holy Trinity Church, Huddersfield. The retreat days are free, though you are welcome to make a donation.

Further information at [www.firmroots.org.uk](http://www.firmroots.org.uk) or email [Helen.Jones@firmroots.co.uk](mailto:Helen.Jones@firmroots.co.uk).

Retreat Booking at this link:  
<https://forms.office.com/e/agazfskfSG>



Refreshments are served after each of our Sunday morning services from the kitchen area at the front of Church. Please come and join us.



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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 (19<sup>th</sup> May) will be noon on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May.

Please send any items (including photos) to the Vicar, Alan Garrow, or to the Parish Office.



The flowers in Church today are to celebrate the 80<sup>th</sup> birthday of  
**Jane Lishman**