



Weekly News

15th May 2022

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

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Help Jessica turn hunger into hope



Jessica Mwedzi carries maize grain to make porridge to feed her children

In rural Zimbabwe, seven out of ten women rely on farming to earn a living and provide for their families. But with no rain, they can't grow enough food, and they struggle to feed their children. In times of drought, many families can only afford to eat one bowl of porridge a day. Mothers often go without, so their children can eat.

One of these mothers is Jessica Mwedzi. Drought makes every day a struggle for survival. Jessica is hungry. Hungry for a good meal. Hungry to earn a decent living. Hungry to provide a more hopeful future for her family. As the climate crisis rages on, vulnerable communities in Zimbabwe, like Jessica's, face the threat of more intense droughts, flooding and storms.

Together, we can restore justice to our world. But we need to act now.

This Christian Aid Week (15th – 21st May), your gift could help Jessica grow drought-resistant crops. Make a donation in your envelope today to help women like Jessica turn their dry, dusty land into gardens of hope.

- **£5** could buy **water taps** for a community garden;
- **£15** could buy **drought-resistant seeds** like sorghum or millet to help **10 farmers** like Jessica to grow food;
- **£60** could **train 50 women** to adapt and grow food in the changing climate;
- **£250** could help a family **build a storeroom** and **provide seeds and fertilisers**.

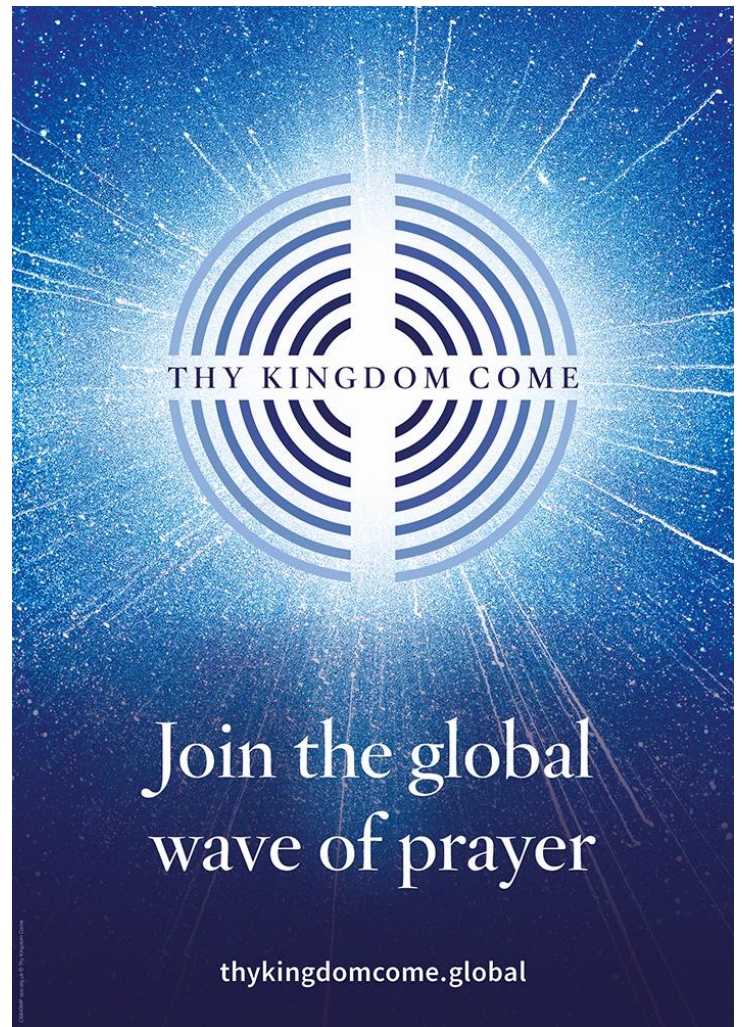
Stand in solidarity with women like Jessica and help empower them to provide food – and hope – for their families.

You can also donate online through the St Peter's *Christian Aid* e-envelope – <https://envelope.christianaid.org.uk/envelope/st-peters-harrogate>. Thank you!



Annual Parochial Church Meeting

St Peter's APCM is on Tuesday 24th May at 7:00 pm in Church. There are eleven vacancies on the Parochial Church Council (PCC) to fill and one Deanery Synod representative needed. If you want to propose someone to serve as a member of the PCC or as a Deanery Synod representative, there are nomination forms available from the Welcome Desk and to download from the [Church website](#).



St Peter's Ladies who Lunch

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The **Ladies who Lunch** are meeting again on Friday 27th May at 12:15 pm at the Palm Court Café at the bottom of Montpellier Hill. If you would like to join us for food and fellowship, then please contact Sue Heapy (07540 355 305 or brynsusie@hotmail.com) before Sunday 22nd May, so she can book a table for us.

Mission Possible UK and Ukraine update from Richard Wallis

Mission Possible UK's relief programme in Odesa has been ratcheted up since I last wrote in early April. Over 100 tonnes of food have been purchased and 2,500 boxes of food and basic hygiene products have been distributed. Our volunteers make up 200 boxes a day and have extended distribution to towns to the east of Odesa which have been directly impacted by the war. MPUK is not an emergency aid organisation, but circumstances have compelled us to be involved in this work.

To read Richard's full report or to make a donation visit <https://mpuk.org/ukraine>. You can also send a cheque (payable to MPUK) to MPUK, PO Box 597, Huntingdon, Cambs PE29 9ET. Thank you.



Men's Breakfast at St Peter's: Saturday 21st May 2022



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 889076 if you are planning to come or email him at brynsusie@hotmail.com.

Latest news from Sanctuary

Sanctuary, our Youth Group, will be going to support Amelia Vance and Vendel Keszthelyi at their **Confirmation** this evening at St Mark's Church on Leeds Road. The service starts at 6:30 pm and is due to finish at 7:30 pm. Parents, please drop off and pick up at St Mark's Church.

Next week they are holding another **Food from around the World Night** from 5:30 - 7:00 pm in the Brostoff Hall. Chris says, "Try to pick a different country from last time; then choose and cook one or two of their national dishes (just bring around six, small portions as we had way too much last time); finally find three amazing facts to share about the country you have chosen." *Smaczne* everybody!

Bloom Baby Classes have arrived at St Peters!

Bloom Baby Classes are highly interactive multi-sensory baby classes that focus on baby development for both you and your little one. Classes are for babies aged six weeks to around fifteen months.

Caterpillar Club is for babies aged six weeks to six months and are a gentle multi-sensory, baby development and massage class for younger babies featuring a calming baby massage at the end of the class to ensure a long nap for your growing baby. Focusing on your baby's cognitive, physical, social, emotional and linguistic development in a fun creative way.

Busy Bees is suitable for babies from six months to mobile. A highly interactive musical class where we focus on babies growing confidence with the big wide world. Encouraging both fine and gross motor skills, teaching body awareness and stimulating your baby's perception of sounds with our fun range of songs and activities. At theme time your baby gets to explore our fun range of bright props and exciting treasure baskets whilst developing their social skills with fellow Bloom babies!

These classes are led by Sarah Mirtaheri, a qualified Early Years Teacher, on Tuesday mornings in the Brostoff Hall at St Peter's Church. You can book online or email Sarah via this website www.bloombabyclasses.com/harrogate.



Today's Services: 15th May 2022

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

The Fourth Sunday after Easter (BCP)

8:30 Holy Communion

9:30 Family Communion with the Baptism of Jacob Hewitt

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 1630 Wonderful grace; 1404 King of Kings, Majesty; 1158 All my days; 1483 One more step along the world I go

Reading John 13 v 31 - 35

Preacher: Chris Clayton

**Our Duty Wardens today are:
Sarah Martin
and Paul Medforth**

11:00 Choral Matins

Setting Howells Collegium Regale (Jubilate)

Hymns 152, 158, 166

Psalm 98

Readings Genesis 22 v 1 – 18

John 13 v 31 - 35

Anthem This joyful Eastertide (arr *Charles Wood*)

Preacher: Alan Garrow

4:15 pm Stepping Stones Service *Crafternoon*

Preacher: Chris Clayton

6:30 Choral Communion

Setting Darke in E

Hymns 253, 379, 278, 424 (omit *verse)

Readings Acts 11 v 1 - 18

John 13 v 31 - 35

Anthem O for a closer walk with God (*Stanford*)

Preacher: Brian Hunt

This week's worship online

We are continuing to live stream the following services on Facebook and Zoom: 9:30 am Family Communion on Sundays (also available on *St Peter's YouTube channel* to watch later); and Morning and Evening Prayer at 8:00 am and 5:00 pm from Monday to Saturday. To join in follow the [links](#) on our website.

Please pray for those who have asked for our prayers:

Pat Anderson, Robert Bickford, Ruth Bowes, Margie Dickinson, Jan Edwards, Geni Emrullahu, Louise Emrullahu, Jo Fellows, David Fisher, Vicky Harrison, June Hemmings, Trevor Hughes, Jackie Kelly, Elaine Manaley, Charlie Martineau, Sheila Pantin, Frances Roxby-Proud and Michelle Simon.

Also in our prayers this week:

- Mon** Chris Clayton, Curate
St Peter's Lay Baptism Team
- Tues** The staff and volunteers working for *Mission Possible UK* in Odesa, Ukraine
The team preparing hot meals during the week
- Wed** Those delivering essential public services
The Weekly News Editorial Team
- Thurs** The 999 and NHS 111 call centre staff
The work of the *Samaritans*
- Fri** Hannah Beck, Lay Reader
Café RefleXions
- Sat** Alan Garrow, Vicar of St Peter's
All suffering with physical and mental ill-health

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** *Caroline Chisholm, Social Reformer, 1877*
Psalm 145
Numbers 9 v 15 to end
Luke 4 v 38 to end
- Tues** Psalm 19
Numbers 11 v 1 - 33
Luke 5 v 1 - 11
- Wed** Psalm 30
Numbers 12
Luke 5 v 12 - 26
- Thurs** *Dunstan, Archbishop of Canterbury, 988*
Psalm 57
Numbers 13 v 1 - 3, and 17 to end
Luke 5 v 27 to end
- Fri** *Alcuin of York, Deacon, 804*
Psalm 138
Numbers 14 v 1 - 25
Luke 6 v 1 - 11
- Sat** Psalm 146
Numbers 14 v 26 to end
Luke 6 v 12 - 26

The Collect for the Fifth Sunday of Easter

(Common Worship)

Risen Christ, your wounds declare your love for the world and the wonder of your risen life: give us compassion and courage to risk ourselves for those we serve, to the glory of God the Father.

The Collect for the Fourth Sunday after Easter

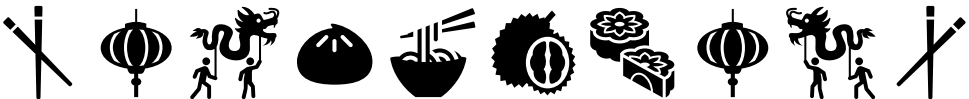
(Book of Common Prayer)

O Almighty God, who alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinful men; Grant unto thy people, that they may love the thing which thou commandest, and desire that which thou dost promise; that so, among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed, where true joys are to be found; through 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.

Christian Aid Week 15-21 May 2022

- Mon 16th** 2:00 pm The U3A Singing Folk group
- Tues 17th** 9:30 – 11:30 am *Bloom Baby Classes* in the Brostoff Hall – to book visit: www.bloombabyclasses.com/harrogate
12:00 – 12:30 pm Healing Service
12:30 – 2:00 pm The Wellbeing Choir
- Wed 18th** **10:30 – 11:00 am Café RefleXions**
7:30 pm Harrogate Harmony Men's Chorus
- Thurs 19th** 9:30 – 11:00 am The Toddler Group at St Peter's
11:00 am Holy Communion
NO St Peter's Choir Practice tonight!
- Fri 20th** 9:30 am AA meeting in the Music Room
- Sat 21st** 8:00 am Men's Breakfast at St Peter's
10:00 am – 3:00 pm Refreshment Day *in aid of* **Christian Aid**
- Sun 22nd** ***The Sixth Sunday of Easter***
1:00 – 1:30 pm Sunday Lunch
5:30 – 7:00 pm **Sanctuary**, our Youth group, are meeting in the Brostoff Hall for a *Food from around the World* night!
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Judith Simpson is holding a Refreshment Day on Saturday 21st May in Church to raise funds for **Christian Aid**. If you can help on the day - or bake a cake – then please speak to Judith on 01423 564842 or email her at judiannesimpson@btinternet.com.

Next Sunday 22nd May

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

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

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 **Parish Lunch** is served from 1:00 pm every third Sunday – that's **TODAY!** **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.



Get involved in 70 Acts of Service

This is an invitation to you to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee by serving others. In honour of the Queen's 70 years of faith and service, HOPE Together has listed [70 Acts of Service](#). You can let them know how you get on by tagging them on social media with the hashtags #70acts #theplatinum jubilee. Here are the next five suggestions:

56. Make a collection for your local foodbank.
57. Spearhead a group activity to make and send 'Get Well' cards for children in the local hospital.
58. Wear second-hand clothes for a weekend after visiting a charity shop.
59. Mow the lawn for your neighbour, parents, or someone you know.
60. Visit your local lunch club and offer to help with the washing up.

Find out more at www.hopetogether.org.uk - putting faith into words and actions.

Only One Earth

World Environment Day on 5th June is the biggest international day for the environment. Led by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and held annually since 1974, the event has grown to be the largest global platform for environmental outreach, with millions of people from across the world engaging to protect the planet. This year, #WorldEnvironmentDay 2022 is hosted by Sweden. **Only One Earth** is the campaign slogan, with the focus on *Living Sustainably in Harmony with Nature*.

With over 150 countries participating, this UN international day engages governments, businesses, civil society, schools, celebrities, cities and communities, raising awareness and celebrating environmental action.

To find out more visit www.worldenvironmentday.global.



Thy Kingdom Come for Children

Cheeky Pandas and *Thy Kingdom Come* (TKC) are partnering together to bring a variety of free resources that seek to get children excited about Jesus, the Bible and prayer ... with some panda fun along the way!

There's a fun filled, Bible-based TV series, featuring songs, animated stories, prayer and interviews with special guests. Alongside this, there are activity packs, a prayer book, a children's app, and our Prayer Bears - each with an illustrated prayer book in their bag! These free resources are designed to equip parents in nurturing and encouraging children in their faith. Visit www.thykingdomcome.global/cheeky-pandas.



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



Next Week's Deadline

The deadline for the next edition of the Weekly News (22nd May) will be noon on Wednesday 18th May. Please send any items (including photos) to Alan Garrow or to Marian Chambers (addresses below).

T H A N K Y O U

St Peter's gives out food every day to those in need. Thank you so much if you remembered to bring some groceries or toiletries to put in the hamper recently.



*The bans of marriage are published **Bethany Jane Elizabeth Connell** and **Richard William Bywater**. This is for the third time of asking.*

If any of you know any reason in law why they may not marry each other you are to declare it.

Help us reach our target for **Christian Aid**:
<https://envelope.christianaid.org.uk/envelope/st-peters-harrogate>



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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