

Weekly News

18th April 2021

The Third Sunday of Easter

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Dates for your Diary

'If you want to make God laugh, tell him your plans'. The echo of this joke resounds against the backdrop of the past year. Even so, as things start to open up, it feels appropriate to venture some upcoming dates. This list is, of course, neither comprehensive nor certain. More details of other activities will emerge, we may hope, in the coming months.

Sunday Worship

We plan to continue with the current pattern of 9:30 am and 11:00 am in person and online worship until 27th June. We expect that the booking system will need to remain in place at least until then. In addition, Afternoon Church (booking required) will take place on 25th April and 23rd May. There will also be Evensong (no booking) on 23rd May and 27th June. *From 4th July we plan to return to the full pattern of Sunday services each week – including 8:30 am Holy Communion.*

Midweek Worship

Thursday Holy Communion continues each week as at present. Wednesday Café Reflexions and the Healing Service should return from Tuesday 4th July. Do be in touch if you would like to help with the restoration of Thursday Reflexions services from 4th July onwards (term-time only).

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) - Tuesday 25th May at 7:00 pm St Peter's Day Party – 27th June

Celebrate St Peter's Day and the end of lockdown with games on West Park Stray and afternoon tea at the Vicarage between 2:30 and 4:30 pm on Sunday 27th June.

Back to Church Sunday – 26th September

Invite friends and neighbours to special welcome back services across this Sunday.

Bach Mass in B Minor – 8th October

The long-awaited concert postponed from April 2020.

St Peter's Players present Oliver! from 4th - 6th November

The long-awaited production postponed from November 2020.

Advent Sunday – 28th November

The beginning of a new Church year, with the commissioning of our new liturgical textiles.

Condolence book for HRH Prince Philip, The Duke of Edinburgh



The Church of England has opened an online condolence book following the announcement from Buckingham Palace of the death of HRH Prince Philip, The Duke of Edinburgh. The book is open to any individual or church communities who wish to sign and record a message.

In a statement The Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby, said:

I join with the rest of the United Kingdom and the Commonwealth in mourning the loss of His Royal Highness Prince Philip, The Duke of Edinburgh, and give thanks to God for his extraordinary life of dedicated service. Prince Philip continually demonstrated his unfailing support and unstinting loyalty to Her Majesty The Queen for 73 years.

He consistently put the interests of others ahead of his own and, in so doing, provided an outstanding example of Christian service. During his naval career, in which he served with distinction in the Second World War, he won the respect of his peers as an outstanding officer.

On the occasions when I met him, I was always struck by his obvious joy at life, his enquiring mind and his ability to communicate to people from every background and walk of life. He was a master at putting people at their ease and making them feel special.

The legacy he leaves is enormous. The Duke of Edinburgh's Award, which he founded in 1956, has inspired generations of young people to help others and instilled in them a vision for citizenship and a desire to serve their communities. His work with countless charities and organisations reflected his wide- ranging, global interests in topics including wildlife, sport, design, engineering and inter-faith dialogue. In his powerful advocacy for conservation his was a prophetic voice for over half a century, as he brought people from around the world to a new concern and commitment to action for the future of our planet.

As we recover and rebuild after the terrible trial of the coronavirus pandemic, we will need fortitude and a deep sense of commitment to serving others. Throughout his life Prince Philip displayed those qualities in abundance, and I pray that we can take inspiration from his example.

I also join many people in giving thanks for the marriage of Her Majesty the Queen and Prince Philip, and for their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Theirs was a marriage grounded in friendship and mutual respect and sustained by shared faith in Christ. I pray that God will comfort Her Majesty and the rest of the Royal Family at this time. May His Royal Highness rest in peace and rise in glory.

Christian Aid Week 2021

The focus for Christian Aid Week 2021 is climate justice. The climate crisis is having a significant impact on communities in Kenya - in 2020 drought was followed by relentless rainfall and flooding, which damaged the few crops that had struggled to grow.

Rose is a grandmother, who lives in Kitui, eastern Kenya, and is caught in this cycle of climate chaos. When she was a child, Rose remembers how often the rain would fall. providing plenty of water to grow nutritious food to eat.

Weather extremes are now more frequent and more intense, and without a reliable source of water, many communities are



Rose sets out on a long and dangerous journey every morning to collect water.

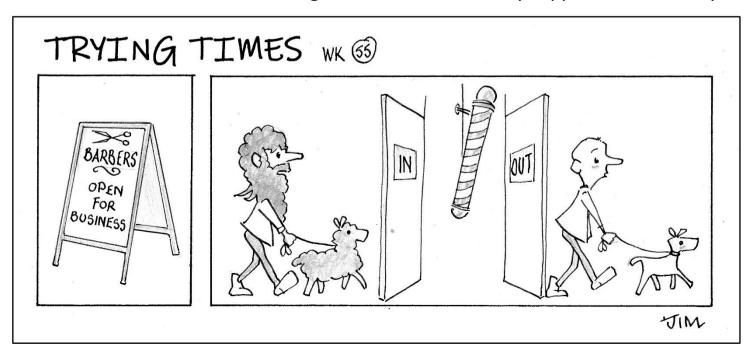
struggling to survive. The lack of water has made coping with the Coronavirus pandemic even more difficult. This year Christian Aid is raising funds to secure reliable water supplies for people like Rose. You could help by delivering Christian

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Christian Aid Week Aid envelopes to the houses in your street – to volunteer please contact Judith Simpson (01423 564842) or judiannesimpson@btinternet.com.

The Trying Times book of cartoons raises £2,663

Before Christmas Jim Godfrey published a book of over 30 of his cartoons with all profits going to Action for Children - this Methodist charity protects and supports children and young people, providing them with practical and emotional support. After deductions for printing and postage the total came to £2,663! Jim sends his thanks to all at St Peter's who bought his book and thereby supported the charity.



Today's Services: 18th April 2021

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The Second Sunday after Easter (BCP)

Please arrive no later than 5 minutes before the start of the service, so everyone can be safely seated at a distance

9:30 Family Communion

Hymns My Peace I give to you; **40** Be still for the presence of the Lord;

How great is our God; 10,000 reasons

Readings Acts 3 v 12 - 19

Luke 24 v 36b - 48

Preacher: Alan Garrow

11:00 Choral Matins

Setting Ireland in F (Jubilate)

Hymns 152, 153, 159

Psalm 77 v 11 - 20

Readings Deuteronomy 7 v 7 - 13

Acts 3 v 12 - 19

Anthem O sing joyfully (*Batten*)

Preacher: Alan Garrow

Our Duty Warden today is:

Sarah Martin

This week's worship online

We are continuing to live stream the following services: 9:30 am Holy Communion and 11:00 am Matins or Holy Communion (BCP) to join in follow the links here or on our website. Morning and Evening Prayer are at 8:00 am and 5:00 pm from Monday to Saturday and will be live-streamed on Facebook and Zoom.

To keep everyone safe don't forget to:

- wear a face covering and use the hand sanitiser
- follow the one way system down the side aisles and up the centre aisle;
- keep your distance at all times, even when you share the peace;
- **form a single, distanced queue** in front of the dais to receive Communion a wafer, but not wine, will be distributed (please indicate in advance if you need a gluten-free wafer);
- **remember no refreshments** will be served after the service, but bottled water is available if you need it;
- leave via the West Door after the 9:30 am service, if you are able. Thank you!

A belated **THANK YOU** to *Tesco Express* on Cambridge Road who donated all the bunches of flowers that decorated the windowsills in Church on Easter Day!

Please pray for those who have asked for our prayers:

Pat Anderson, Ruth Bowes, Diana Braithwaite, Louise Emrullahu, Pam Gardiner, Vicky Harrison, Keith Helsby, Miriam Jones, Caroline Kelly, Charlie Martineau, Sheila Pantin, Michele Roszak and Frances Roxby-Proud.

Also in our prayers this week:

Mon Children and young people

St Andrew's Evangelical Mission, in

Chosica, Peru

Tues Rough sleepers and the homeless

St Peter's Breakfast Club

Wed All who mourn the 259 people

killed in the 2019 Easter bombings in Sri Lanka

Carole Raw, Parish Administrator

Thurs The NHS and other key workers

All the staff and patients at

Harrogate Hospital

Fri National and local government

Harrogate Borough Council

Sat The Royal Family and all who are

grieving the loss of a loved one

Hannah Beck, Lay Reader

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 Alphege, Archbishop of

Canterbury, Martyr, 1012

Psalm 96

Deuteronomy 5 v 1 - 22

Ephesians 1 v 1 - 14

Tues Psalm 98

Deuteronomy 5 v 22 to

end

Ephesians 1 v 15 to end

Wed Psalm 105

Deuteronomy 6

Ephesians 2 v 1 - 10

Thurs Psalm 136

Deuteronomy 7 v 1 - 11

Ephesians 2 v 11 to end

Fri George, Martyr, Patron of

England, c. 304

Psalm 5

Joshua 1 v 1 - 9

Ephesians 6 v 10 - 20

Sat Psalm 110

Deuteronomy 8

Ephesians 3 v 14 to end

The Collect for the Third Sunday of Easter

Almighty Father, who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples with the sight of the risen Lord:

give us such knowledge of his presence with us, that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life and serve you continually in righteousness and truth; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

or

Risen Christ, you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope: strengthen us to proclaim your risen life and fill us with your peace, to the glory of God the Father.

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.

Mon 19th 4:30 - 4:50 pm hot food to eat in or take-away

Tues 20th 4:30 - 4:50 pm food parcels available

Wed 21st 4:30 - 4:50 pm hot food to eat in or take-away

Thurs 22nd **11:00 am Holy Communion** (*no booking required*)

4:30 - 4:50 pm food parcels available

Fri 23rd St George's Day



St George Victorious. Creator: Fr Lawrence Lew, OP

4:30 - 4:50 pm hot food to eat in or take-away

Sat 24th 4:30 - 4:50 pm food parcels available

Sun 25th The Fourth Sunday of Easter

1:00 - 1:30 pm Sunday Lunch

5:30 – 6:30 pm Youth Confirmation Course Session 2: Why do

we need other people? Contact Chris Clayton at

chris.clayton@leeds.anglican.org or (07407 258733)

Next Sunday 25th April

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9:30 Family Communion

11:00 Choral Matins

4:15 Afternoon Church

To check availability and to book a pew at our services contact our Parish Administrator, Carole Raw, by noon on Thursdays on *07425 161425* or at

stpeterschurchhgtoffice@gmail.com

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 hot **Sunday Lunch** (with distanced seating) is served from 1:00 – 1:30 pm.

Hot food to eat in (with distanced seating) or take away, available 4:30 – 4:50 pm on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Food parcels are available 4:30 – 4:50 pm on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.



Harrogate School of Theology & Mission

The Revd Ian Parkinson, Leadership Development Specialist at Church Pastoral Aid Society (CPAS), speaks on 'For equipping of the saints: the gift of Christian leadership'

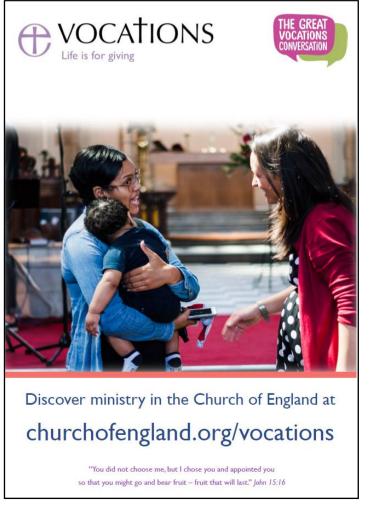
Effectiveness in leadership is not measured so much by what any leader achieves but rather by whom they raise up and equip for service. The development and

empowering of others certainly seems to have been a top priority for Jesus and those who followed after him. With particular reference to his example, in this session we will unpack the NT leadership emphasis on growing others in discipleship and ministry and explore what this might mean for us today. This online live lecture via Zoom is on Saturday 24th April from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm. For this event there is a charge of £5 and places must be booked in advance. Visit *hstm.org.uk* for full details.

Leeds Learning Platform 'Mental Wellbeing': 7:00 - 8:30 pm on 21st April

The pandemic has had a huge impact on people's wellbeing, particularly children and young people. This online session will give a short introduction to what mental health wellbeing is, how COVID-19 has impacted on our children and young people and how you can be part of a support network for them. To book a place, please email childrenyouth@leeds.anglican.org.







Giving to support the work of St Peter's Church

No collection is taken during our services, but a plate is left by the door for your offering in support of the mission and ministry of this Church. If you would prefer to give by card, there is a contactless card machine in the South Transept. If you prefer to set up a bank transfer, please use these account details:

St Peter's Church PCC Harrogate

Sort Code: 53-50-21 Account No: 67137628

or download a Planned Giving Form from the website. THANK YOU!



The banns of marriage are published between **Gillian Thornton** and **Colin Sinclair**. This is for the second time of asking.

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



New to St Peter's? Please give your contact details to one of the Clergy after the service.

Next Week's Deadline

The deadline for the next edition of the Weekly News (25th April) will be noon on Wednesday 21st April. Please send any items (including photos) to Alan Garrow **or** to Marian Chambers (addresses below).

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