



# Weekly News

18<sup>th</sup> December 2022

The Fourth Sunday of Advent

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

## The Autumn Term at St Peter's School

LOVE LEARN SHINE

*SHINE in the light and love of God*



*Year 5 at Bewerley Park, Year 5 & 6 football team at a competition and the new playground*

It has been a busy and productive school year so far, with much happening at St Peter's School. We very much enjoyed our Harvest Festival in St Peter's Church earlier in the term including helping to add to the shelves of the St Peter's food bank. We are looking forward to our Christmas Service on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December followed by our Community Carol Singing on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December at Rogers' Almshouses opposite school.

We have also been blessed by visits from The Revd Dr Alan Garrow, The Revd Chris Clayton and The Revd Judith Clark, who have supported our worship in school throughout this term. We have been exploring the values of thankfulness and trust in our whole school and class worship time.

*Paul Griffiths, Headteacher of St Peter's School*

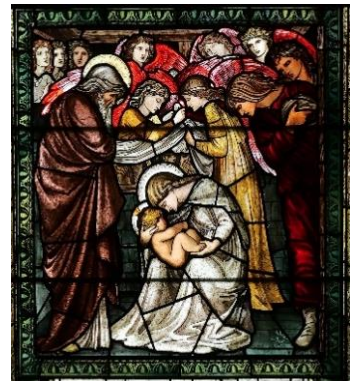
*Harvest Festival at St Peter's Church, Year 6 Bikeability training and more from Bewerley Park*





## The Service of Nine Lessons and Carols

Join us for our traditional Service of Nine Lessons and Carols at St Peter's tonight, Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> December, at 6:30 pm. The story of the fall of humanity, the promise of the Messiah and the birth of Jesus is told in nine short Bible readings. The readings are interspersed with Christmas carols and anthems sung by our wonderful choir.



## Join us for lunch on Christmas Day!

The Sunday Lunch Club meets again on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> December. 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.

## Come and help to make Christingles

This year we have two Christingle Services both on Christmas Eve, one at 3:00 pm and one at 4:30 pm, in aid of the **Children's Society**. We will be making hundreds of Christingles on the morning of Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> December from 10:00 am onwards in Church. The oranges, red ribbons, candles and foil are here, we just need **YOU!** If you would like to help please let one of the Clergy know or contact Kate Blake ([kateblakefamily@gmail.com](mailto:kateblakefamily@gmail.com)).



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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Jessica and Sophie Anderson lit the third, pink Advent candle last Sunday.  
*Thanks to Sue Heapy for sending in the photo*





# Join us this CHRISTMAS

**Advent Candle Service**  
6:30 pm 27<sup>th</sup> November

**St Peter's Christmas Tree Festival**  
10<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> December

**Nine Lessons and Carols**  
6:30 pm 18<sup>th</sup> December

**Christmas Eve**  
10:00 am Shopper's Carols  
3:00 and 4:30 pm Christingle Services  
6:30 pm Carols for Christmas Eve  
11:30 pm Midnight Mass

**Christmas Day**  
8:30 am Holy Communion  
9:30 am Family Communion  
11:00 am Christmas Day Worship

**New Year's Eve**  
4:00 pm Pray for 2023  
11:30 pm Watchnight Service

Find all our services and events at  
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Interested in finding out more about God,  
Jesus and the journey of life?

Join us as we meet for food, fellowship and to explore our faith.

Where: St Peter's Church, Harrogate

On the following Tuesday evenings between 6:00 pm  
and 8:00 pm

17th January  
31st January  
21st February  
7th March  
21st March  
4th April



**Registration is essential.** Please book on the  
course by Sunday 18th December 2022.

Any questions or to book: please contact The Reverend Judith Clark  
on 07968 730 544 or via email [reverendjudithclark@gmail.com](mailto:reverendjudithclark@gmail.com)

## The Boxing Day Pilgrimage to Fountains Abbey

The traditional Boxing Day Pilgrimage, from Ripon Cathedral to Fountains Abbey, will take place again this year. The celebration of Eucharist at the Cathedral begins at 9:30 am and then the pilgrims will walk the 4 miles to the Abbey where there'll be a service of carols and prayers from approximately 12:00 noon in the Cellarium. Entrance to Fountains Abbey is free if you are joining the pilgrimage.



## St Peter's Ladies who Lunch

The **Ladies who Lunch** are meeting again on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> December at the Palm Court Café at the bottom of Montpellier Hill. There they serve a good selection of sandwiches, wraps and toasties, as well as home-made cakes and sweets. If you are interested in joining them for food and fellowship, then please call or text Sue Heapy (07540 355 305) or send her an email [brynsusie@hotmail.com](mailto:brynsusie@hotmail.com) **TODAY** so she can book a table!



## Join us to bring in the New Year!

On New Year's Eve there are two special services at St Peter's: come and light a candle and **Pray for 2023** from 4:00 – 6:00 pm and then later our atmospheric, candlelit **Watchnight Service** starts at 11:30 pm.

# Today's Services: 18<sup>th</sup> December 2022

The Fourth Sunday of Advent  
The Fourth Sunday in Advent (BCP)

**8:30 Holy Communion**

**9:30 Family Communion**

*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**                **602** While shepherds watched; **739** Good news, good news to you we bring; **498** Silent night; **438** Once in royal David's city

**Readings**            Isaiah 7 v 10 - 16  
Matthew 1 v 18 to end

**Preacher:**            Stewart Davies

**Our Duty Wardens today are:**

Paul Medforth  
and Carrie Brown

**11:00 Choral Matins**

**Setting**                Wilby (Benedicite)

**Hymns**                58, 35, 601

**Psalm**                 113

**Readings**            Isaiah 7 v 10 - 16  
Matthew 1 v 18 to end

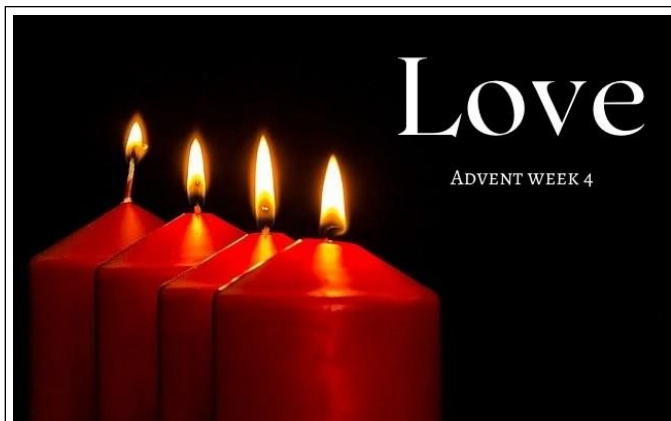
**Anthem**              The angel Gabriel (arr. *Jack Longstaff*)

**Preacher:**            Helen Jones

**4:15 pm Stepping Stones Service**    *Christmas Crafts*

**Preacher:**            Ruth Thompson-Vear

**6:30 Service of Nine Lessons and Carols**



## 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, Ruth Bowes, Georgia Gabrielle Bradley, Michael Bradley, Margie Dickinson, Tony Edwards, Geni Emrullahu, Louise Emrullahu, David Fisher, Vicky Harrison, June Hemmings, Trevor Hughes, Jackie Kelly, Sheila Pantin, Frances Roxby-Proud and Michelle Simon.

**Also in our prayers this week:**

<b>Mon</b>	St Aidan's CE High School <b>Sanctuary</b> , St Peter's Youth Group
<b>Tues</b>	All those providing care or help to a vulnerable person St Peter's Pastoral Support Team
<b>Wed</b>	Delivery drivers and postal workers Carole Raw, Parish Administrator
<b>Thurs</b>	All emergency service workers Those whose time is spent caring for others
<b>Fri</b>	St Peter's Flower Team All who mourn the loss of the 26 shot and killed at the Sandy Hook School in December 2012
<b>Sat</b>	Helen Jones and Conrad Volker, our students on placement All those preparing for ordained ministry

**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 146 Isaiah 52 v 13 – 53 to end 2 Peter 1 v 1 - 15
<b>Tues</b>	Psalm 46 Isaiah 54 2 Peter 1 v 16 – 2 v 3
<b>Wed</b>	Psalm 121 Isaiah 55 2 Peter 2 v 4 to end
<b>Thurs</b>	Psalm 124 Isaiah 56 v 1 - 8 2 Peter 3
<b>Fri</b>	Psalm 130 Isaiah 63 v 1 - 6 2 John
<b>Sat</b>	<b><i>Christmas Eve</i></b> Psalm 45 Isaiah 58

**The Collect for The Fourth Sunday of Advent**

(Common Worship)

Almighty God, as we prepare with joy to celebrate the gift of the Christ-child, embrace the earth with your glory and be for us a living hope in Jesus Christ our Lord.

**The Collect for The Fourth Sunday in Advent (Book of Common Prayer)**

O Lord, raise up (we pray thee) thy power, and come among us, and with great might succour us; that whereas, through our sins and wickedness, we are sore let and hindered in running the race that is set before us, thy bountiful grace and mercy may speedily help and deliver us; through the satisfaction of thy Son our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost be honour and glory, world without end.



# 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.*

- Mon 19<sup>th</sup>** 2:00 pm The U3A Singing Folk group
- Tues 20<sup>th</sup>** **12:00 – 12:30 pm Healing Service**
- Wed 21<sup>st</sup>** **10:30 – 11:00 am Café RefleXions**
- Thurs 22<sup>nd</sup>** 9:30 – 11:00 am The Toddler Group at St Peter's  
**11:00 am Holy Communion**  
NO Choir Practice
- Fri 23<sup>rd</sup>** 9:30 am AA meeting in the Music Room  
10:00 am – 12:00 pm St Peter's Cleaning Team
- Sat 24<sup>th</sup>** **Christmas Eve**



- 10:00 am – 12:00 pm Shoppers' Carols and Christingle making
- 3:00 pm Christingle Service**
- 4:30 pm Christingle Service**
- 6:30 pm Carols for Christmas Eve** with St Peter's Choir  
*Midwinter (Bob Chilcott)*  
*The Twelve Days of Christmas (Rutter)*  
*A Christmas Fantasy (Gordon Langford)*
- Preacher:** Stewart Davies
- 11:30 pm Midnight Mass by candlelight** with St Peter's Choir  
**Preacher:** Alan Garrow
- Please see separate service sheet for hymns and readings*

- Sun 25<sup>th</sup>** **Christmas Day**  
1:00 pm The Sunday Lunch Club



**Next Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> December**

**Christmas Day**

- 8:30 Holy Communion
- 9:30 Family Communion
- 11:00 Christmas Morning Service



**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.

## Come and work with Kairos

The Harrogate Hub and Kairos Network Church are partnering to employ a Pioneer Youth Worker. Do you have a heart for young people? Do you feel how difficult the last few years have been for them and want to do something about it?

Could you partner with churches across the town? If so, this role could be for you. To apply please contact The Revd Ben Askew at Kairos Network Church, or visit <https://theharrogatehub.org/pyw/>. The closing date is 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2023.

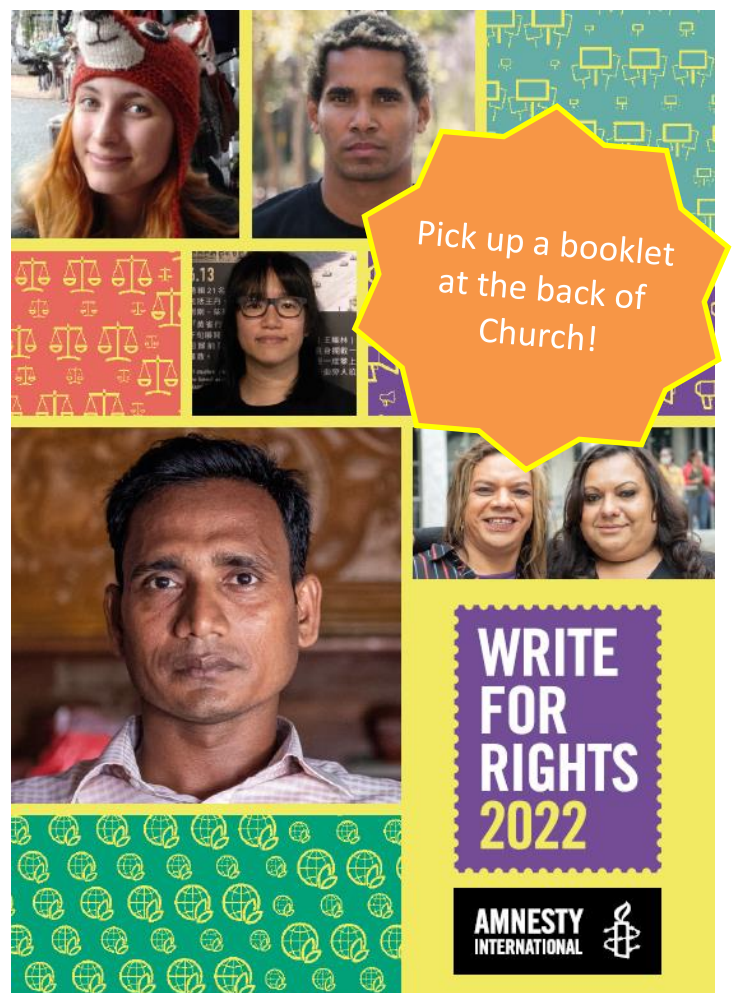
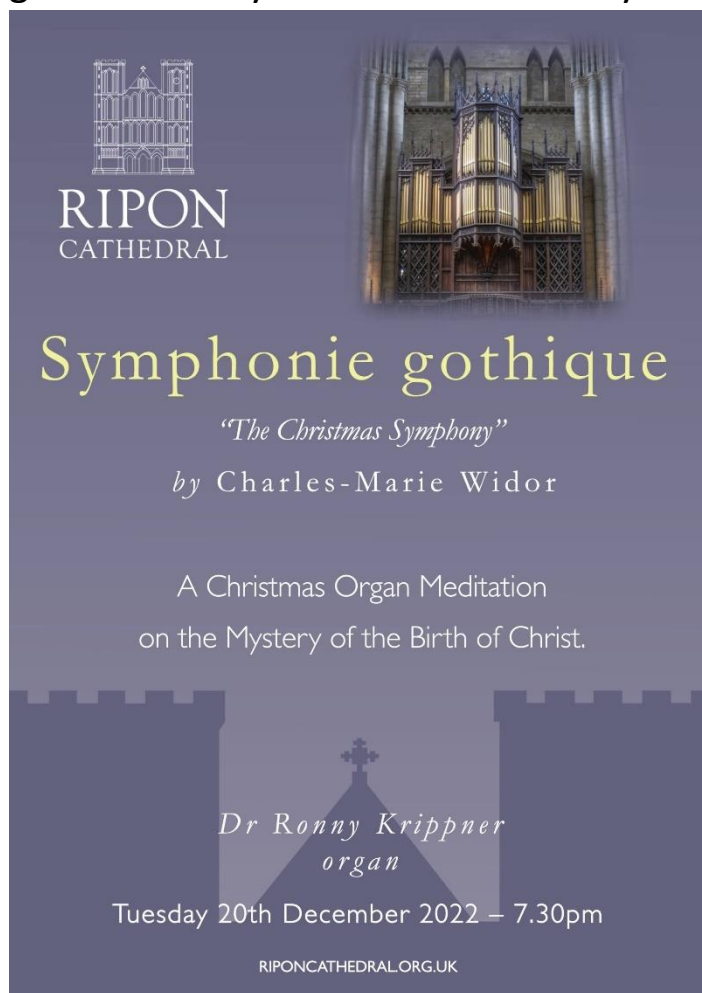


## Thinking about what it means to be a Church for Everyone

**21<sup>st</sup> January 2023 10:00 am – 2:15 pm in the Brostoff Hall**

Come and join our PCC and members of our congregation passionate about making St Peter's welcoming for everyone. We will think together about the barriers that prevent some people from feeling really welcome in our Church, and agree what we need to do to remove some of those barriers. At the end of the session we will have a plan - and people keen to make sure the plan works! Please let

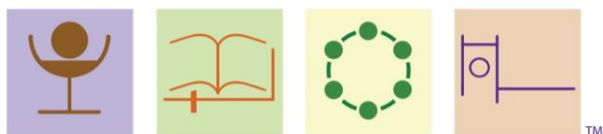
Sian Lockwood ([sian.lockwood54@gmail.com](mailto:sian.lockwood54@gmail.com) or 07889 616 755) know if you can join the session on 21<sup>st</sup> January (or can't get to the session but want to be involved). Do get in touch by or before 7<sup>th</sup> January 2023.



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



## Join the Parish Giving Scheme



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If you would like to support St Peter's financially, the simplest and most tax efficient way to do so is via the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS). You can join using their website [www.parishgiving.org.uk](http://www.parishgiving.org.uk) or give them a call on 0333 002 1260. St Peter's PGS number is: **460646304**



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.

## 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 two editions of the Weekly News (25<sup>th</sup> December and 1<sup>st</sup> January) will be noon on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December. Please send any items to Alan Garrow **or** to Marian Chambers (addresses below).

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