

# Weekly News

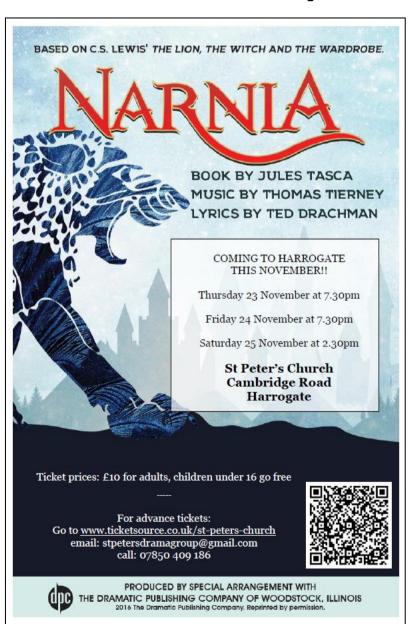
# 19th November 2023

The Second Sunday before Advent

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

# Come and escape to another world



This year St Peters' Players are performing Narnia, the Musical on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> and Friday November at 7:30 pm, with a matinée on Saturday 25th at 2:30 pm. The show is based on C S Lewis's book The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe, and tells the story of four evacuees who stumble into a parallel world which is stuck in Winter, ruled by an evil witch, and in need of redemption by the true King. Our production uses the whole Church, with superb performances by Jane Reeve, Oliver Longstaff, Jacob Bursell, Eleanor Garrow (and her Dad, of course), Bethany McDonagh, and Robert Marchbank-Denton to name but a few. Huge thanks to the whole crew for many hours of hard work rehearsing, staging, creating and costumes props, arranging lighting and especially to Carmen Lam, our ever-patient accompanist.

Tickets are already on sale via <a href="https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/st-peters-church">https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/st-peters-church</a> or can be purchased on the door. Please come along and enjoy the fruits of everyone's labour - an ideal start to Christmas, and an opportunity to escape into another world.

# The Sunday Lunch Club meets today!

It is open to everyone and there's no need to book or bring anything — although donations towards the cost will, of course, be very welcome! Lunch today will be served at 1:00 pm. Please speak to Hannah Beck (07503 186 455) or Yvonne Dawes (07960 779 381) if you need to know more.





# Book today for St Peter's Ladies who Lunch

The *Ladies who Lunch* are meeting again on **Friday 24**<sup>th</sup> **November** at a town centre café catering for all dietary requirements. If you would like to join them for food and fellowship, then please contact Sue Heapy (07540 355 305 or <a href="mailto:brynsusie@hotmail.com">brynsusie@hotmail.com</a>) today, Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> November, so she can book a table.

# **Artizan International Carols by Candlelight**

Come and enjoy an evening of carols led by St Peter's Choir to raise funds for one of our partner charities, *Artizan International*, on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December. Doors will be open at 6:30 pm for you to enjoy a crafts



stall, mulled wine and mince pies, with the concert starting at 7:00 pm.





### Help (and Tombola prizes) needed at the Christmas Fair

Sarah Martin (0791 325 9490) is asking for two people to help with dismantling and storing tables and getting Church ready for Sunday after the Fair from 4:00 – 5:00 pm (full instructions given on the day). Please bring any tombola prizes to Church next Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> November and give them to Sarah. Thank you!

### St Peter's Christmas Appeal – don't forget to pick up a card TODAY!



If you would like to take part in this year's Christmas Appeal, please collect a card at the morning and afternoon services today, Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> November. Each card has a shopping list of five different gifts, depending on who the bag is for – a local family or an older person. Please return your bag with your card to St Peter's Church

on Monday  $27^{th}$  November from 9:00 am - 5:30 pm. If that is not possible, please contact Carole Raw (07425 161 425) to make alternative arrangements. Thank you!

Harrogate School of Theology & Mission Esther Swaffield, the Chief Partnerships Officer at *International Justice Mission*, speaks on 'Fixing systems not just symptoms: the Biblical call to justice with *International Justice Mission* (IJM)'

This live lecture is at St Mark's Church on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> November, starting with a continental breakfast served from 9:30 am, then the lecture from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm. Tickets cost £8 per session (students £5 per session and under 18s



free) including breakfast and refreshments. Fees are payable on the day by contactless card or cheque; or preferably in advance at <a href="Eventbrite">Eventbrite</a>.

# A statement from Harrogate's religious leaders and the local MP



A plea for tolerance, calm and respect has been issued by Harrogate's religious leaders as the conflict in the Middle East continues – you can read more details on our website. Pictured here from the left: Bernard Cohen, President of Harrogate Synagogue; Mrs Roma Cohen; Andrew Jones MP; the Revd Alan Garrow; and Imam Hasan Muhammad.

The **10**<sup>th</sup> **Harrogate St Peter's Rainbows** (for girls aged 5 – 7 years) will have vacancies from April 2024. For more information, please contact Kate Blake (07931 382 756 or <u>10thstpetersrainbows@gmail.com</u>).

# **Today's Services: 19th November 2023**

### The Second Sunday before Advent

The Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Trinity (BCP)

8:30 Holy Communion

**9:30** Family Communion with the Baptism of Lucy Elise McErlane

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** 595 When I look into Your holiness; 627 You are the King of

Glory; 390 Meekness and majesty; 362 Shine, Jesus, Shine

**Reading** Matthew 25 v 14 - 30

**Preacher:** Alan Garrow

11:00 Choral Matins

**Setting** Stanford in C (Jubilate)

**Hymns** 7, 212, 435

Psalm 98

**Readings** Zephaniah 1 v 7 and v 12 to end

Matthew 25 v 14 - 30

**Anthem** So they gave their bodies to the commonwealth (*Peter Aston*)

**Preacher:** Stewart Davies

**4:15 pm Stepping Stones Service** *Crafternoon Church* 

**Preacher**: Ruth Thompson-Vear

6:30 Choral Communion

**Setting** Haydn (Little Organ Mass)

**Hymns** 427, 320, 309, 277 **Readings** Revelation 1 v 4 - 18

Luke 9 v 1 - 6

**Anthem** Locus iste (*Bruckner*)

**Preacher:** Tony Shepherd

## **Our Duty Wardens today are:**

Sian Lockwood and Richard Bion

## 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, Beverley Cooper, Jane Crabtree, Tony Edwards, Louise Emrullahu, David Fisher, June Hemmings, Jean Houlden, Trevor Hughes, Jackie Kelly, Rachel Looby, Derek Mansfield, Steve Martin, Kim Okell, Sheila Pantin, Dora Ringrose, Richard Sadler, Michelle Simon and Richard Skidmore.

### Also in our prayers this week:

**Mon** Vulnerable children with

safeguarding and welfare needs

Looked-after children and

children in care

**Tues** Staff and residents of care homes

Jan Edwards, Lay Pastoral

Minister

**Wed** The Israelis kidnapped on 7<sup>th</sup>

October and still held captive The grieving, the injured and those without food, shelter or

medical supplies in Gaza

**Thurs** GP surgeries and health centres

All attending our Healing Service

**Fri** For integrity, truth and

compassion throughout our

Government

The Queen and the Royal Family

**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 47

Isaiah 9 v 8 – 10 v 4

Matthew 7 v 1 - 12

Tues Psalm 52

Isaiah 10 v 5 - 19

Matthew 7 v 13 to end

**Wed** *Cecilia, Martyr at Rome, 230* 

Psalm 56

Isaiah 10 v 20 - 32 Matthew 8 v 1 - 13

**Thurs** Clement, Bishop of Rome,

Martyr, c 100

Psalm 62

Isaiah 10 v 33 – 11 v 9

Matthew 8 v 14 - 22

Fri Psalm 63

Isaiah 11 v 10 – 12 to

end

Matthew 8 v 23 to end

**Sat** Catherine of Alexandria,

*Martyr, 4<sup>th</sup> Century* 

Psalm 76

Isaiah 13 v 1 - 13 Matthew 9 v 1 - 17

# The Collect for The Second Sunday before Advent

(Common Worship)

Heavenly Lord, you long for the world's salvation: stir us from apathy, restrain us from excess and revive in us new hope that all creation will one day be healed in Jesus Christ our Lord

The Collect for The Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Trinity (Book of Common Prayer)

O Lord, we beseech thee, absolve thy people from their offences; that through thy bountiful goodness we may all be delivered from the bands of those sins, which by our frailty we have committed: Grant this, O heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our blessed Lord and Saviour.

# What's on This Week

St Peter's Church is open to visitors from 9:30 am - 3:30 pm every day except Sundays. Vision Support are holding an exhibition of paintings by Ron E Smith in the Glass Foyer from  $20^{th} - 25^{th}$  November

The Fairtrade Christmas Shop is now open in the Old Baptistery.

**Mon 20**<sup>th</sup> 1:30 – 3:00 pm The *Thinking about God* group in the Undercroft

2:00 pm The U3A Singing Folk group

7:00 – 9:00 pm Technical rehearsal of Narnia, the Musical in Church

Tues 21<sup>st</sup> 12:00 – 12:30 pm Healing Service

7:00 – 9:00 pm Dress rehearsal of *Narnia, the Musical* in Church

Wed 22<sup>nd</sup> 10:30 – 11:00 am Café RefleXions

7:30 pm Harrogate Harmony Men's Chorus

**Thurs 23<sup>rd</sup>** 9:30 – 11:00 am The Toddler Group at St Peter's

11:00 am Holy Communion

7:30 pm Performance of Narnia, the Musical

**Fri 24**<sup>th</sup> 9:30 am AA meeting in the Music Room

10:00 am - 12:00 pm St Peter's Cleaning Team

10:30 am – 12:45 pm *Café Connect* meets in the Brostoff Hall

12:15 pm St Peter's Ladies who Lunch meet in a café in town

7:30 pm Performance of Narnia, the Musical

Sat 25<sup>th</sup> 2:30 pm Performance of *Narnia, the Musical* 

Sun 26<sup>th</sup> Christ the King

1:00 – 1:30 pm Sunday Lunch

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 with the Revd Karin Shaw to plan the church service

that they are leading on 3<sup>rd</sup> December

# Next Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> November Christ the King

| 8:30  | <b>Holy Communion</b>                 |
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| 9:30  | Family Communion                      |
| 11:00 | Choral Matins                         |
| 4:15  | Stepping Stones Service               |
|       | <ul><li>Service of the Word</li></ul> |
| 6:30  | Choral Evensong                       |

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.



### What is COP28?

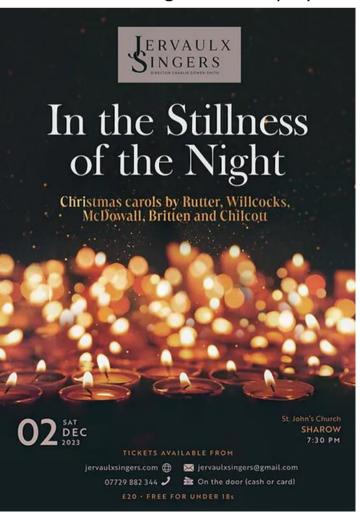
COP28 is the United Nations Climate Change conference taking place in Dubai in the United Arab Emirates from 30<sup>th</sup> November to 12<sup>th</sup> December 2023. It is the 28<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Conference of Parties (COP) on climate change.

There will be discussions, presentations and negotiations across a wide range of topics involving representatives from governments, businesses, communities and faith-based organisations.

Climate change affects many areas of our lives, such as health, trade, energy, transport, buildings, food, education, young people, land, and nature, and these themes will be discussed throughout the fortnight. But cutting across all these themes, and the ultimate purpose of discussing these issues are these four urgent calls to take immediate action:

- 1. cutting emissions in order to limit the rise in global temperatures to 1.5°C;
- 2. making sure sufficient money is available to make the changes needed and to support countries already facing irreversible loss and damage;
- 3. putting nature, people, lives and livelihoods at the heart of climate action;
- 4. making sure everyone's voices are included, especially those who are not usually heard, such as youth, gender groups and indigenous peoples.

The conference ends with two days of negotiations resulting in a final announcement of what has been agreed – let's pray that they do **UNITE. ACT. DELIVER.** this time.





Refreshments are served after each of our Sunday morning services from



the kitchen area at the front of Church. Please come and join us.



The banns of marriage are published between **Caroline Anne Brown** and **Oliver Robert Longstaff**. 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.

### Next Week's Deadline

The deadline for the next edition of the Weekly News (26<sup>th</sup> November) will be noon on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November. Please send any items (including photos) to **The Weekly News Editor**, Marian Chambers, or to the Vicar, Alan Garrow.



**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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