



Weekly News

20th October 2024

The Twenty-First Sunday after Trinity

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My Experience

Covering Alan Garrow's sabbatical has been a deeply enriching experience for me. One of the privileges of being an Associate Vicar is often being able to say, "I'll need to check with Alan about that." Until now, I hadn't fully realised how valuable that support was. When Alan left for his sabbatical, I told myself, 'If the congregation keeps coming and the building stays standing, I'll have done my job.' Well, the building has had its issues, and attendance dipped over the Summer, but thanks to an amazing team, we navigated it all. The building is better than before, and now that the Summer holidays are over, our numbers have actually increased!

One of the biggest lessons I've learned is the importance of focus. St Peter's is a very busy place, and the amount of information I had to absorb was overwhelming at first. Organisation and knowing where to invest my energy have been crucial.

I've also learned the hard truth that leadership sometimes means saying 'no', even when it's not popular. It's a challenging balance between being loving and supportive while upholding the rules, laws that guide our Christian community. I've discovered that, as a leader, you must sometimes make decisions that aren't always appreciated, but are necessary, whatever the personal cost.

Most importantly, I've learned the value of a strong, supportive team and the importance of keeping God at the centre of everything. Leading a church is not just about management; it's about shepherding people toward a deeper relationship with God. Without His vision, it's easy to get lost in all the busyness.

Chris Clayton, *Associate Vicar of St Peter's Church*
Our Vicar, Alan Garrow, went on sabbatical leave on 12th July 2024 and returned this week on 15th October. Well done, Chris, and welcome back, Alan!



Prizes needed for St Peter's Players Raffle

Charles Stones is collecting prizes for this year's St Peter's Players raffle; his aim is to raise over £1,000 and continue Roy Taylor's good work in the past few years. Should you wish to donate a prize please speak to Charles after the 9:30 am service or call him on 07305 491 453. Tickets will be on sale soon at the price of £1 and you could be in the draw to win one of many prizes including: a freestanding coffee machine, vouchers for a luxury meal, a short break in the Yorkshire Dales and many more.

Chair of Trustees, Yorkshire Causeway Schools Trust

Yorkshire Causeway is a well-regarded schools trust which includes both Church of England and community schools around Harrogate and Craven, including St Aidan's CE High School and St Peter's CE Primary School. After six years in office, our Chair, Alison Glover, retires next summer. We are hugely grateful to her for her steadfast and inspiring stewardship, and we have begun the search for the right person to succeed her as Chair of the Trust.

We are looking for someone with the skills to lead the Board and uphold our Christian ethos and distinctiveness. However, candidates need not have direct prior experience of the role; the Chair-designate will be able to 'shadow' Alison, benefitting from her considerable insight and knowledge, until the formal handover takes place at the end of this academic year.

If you are a potential candidate and would like to find out more about the role, please visit www.navigategroup.co.uk/ycst or contact David Gooda on 07841 976 699. Applications should be received by 4th November 2024.



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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.



A Saying Goodbye Service at Bradford Cathedral next Sunday

When a baby is lost, whether during pregnancy, at birth, or in infancy, it is a devastating experience for the parents and the extended family. Sadly, for people that lose prior to 24 weeks gestation, services to commemorate the life that has been lost are seldom held, while for parents who lose later in pregnancy, at birth or in early years, the parents are usually in the depths of grief when a service is held.

The *Saying Goodbye* services, a division of the bereavement support charity, The Mariposa Trust, are remembrance services for people who have suffered the loss of a baby at any stage, whether that be recently or decades ago. They provide a time and place for you and your family to acknowledge and remember your baby, whilst collectively 'saying goodbye'. The services also welcome anyone grieving the fact that they have been unable to have children.

A *Saying Goodbye* Service will be held at Bradford Cathedral on Sunday 27th October at 3:30 pm. To find out more about the *Saying Goodbye* services and to reserve a place please visit <https://www.sayinggoodbye.org/services>.



**The Harrogate
Festival of Remembrance
2024**

Thursday 7th November
St. Peter's Church, Harrogate
7.30pm

Featuring music from The Harrogate Band, The Fisher Singers, St. John Fisher Catholic High School Choirs, reflections on the 80th Anniversary of the D-Day landings and representatives from the armed and uniformed services with guest compere Adam Tomlinson

Tickets available from
www.harrogateinternationalfestivals.com
£10/£5 under 16's with all proceeds to the Royal British Legion



**Saying Goodbye
Remembrance
Service - Yorkshire**

**BRADFORD CATHEDRAL
SUNDAY, 27TH OCTOBER,
2024 AT 3.30PM**

**A SERVICE FOR ANYONE WHO HAS
LOST A BABY IN PREGNANCY, AT BIRTH
OR IN EARLY YEARS, WHETHER THE
LOSS WAS YESTERDAY OR 80 YEARS
AGO. THIS EVENT IS ALSO FOR THOSE
GRIEVING THAT THEY HAVE NEVER
BEEN ABLE TO CONCEIVE.**

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Today's Services: 20th October 2024

The Twenty-First Sunday after Trinity

8:30 Holy Communion

9:30 Family Communion

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 **1407** King of the ages; 10,000 Reasons; **1500** Peace, perfect peace; **1604** When I needed a neighbour

Readings Hebrews 5 v 1 – 10
Mark 10 v 35 – 45

Preacher: Alan Garrow

Our Duty Wardens today are:

Kate Blake and
Rachel Fell

11:00 Choral Matins

Setting Alcock in B flat Te Deum

Hymns 267, 445, 546

Psalms 133, 134

Readings Isaiah 54 v 4 to end
Mark 10 v 35 – 45

Anthem Make a joyful noise (*Mathias*)

Preacher: Alan Garrow

4:15 pm Stepping Stones Service *Crafternoon Church*

Preacher: Ruth Thompson-Vear

6:30 Choral Communion

Setting *Whitlock*

Hymns 290, 321, 311, 627

Readings Hebrews 5 v 1 – 10
Matthew 12 v 1 – 21

Anthem Locus iste (*Bruckner*)

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, Jane Crabtree, Peter Dickinson, Tony Edwards, Louise Emrullahu, June Hemmings, Trevor Hughes, Miriam Jones, Derek Mansfield, Kim Okell, Sheila Pantin, Matthew Pindell, Celia Preston, Richard Sadler and Michelle Simon.

RIP Peter Dickinson

Also in our prayers this week:

- Mon** Chris Clayton, Associate Vicar
The people of Gaza constantly on the move, searching for safety
- Tues** Victims of domestic abuse
Harrogate Women's Refuge
- Wed** Our Communion Administrants
Our caretakers Nigel and Asim,
- Thurs** Social care workers, helping people to live independently and with dignity
Displaced civilians on both sides of the Israeli-Lebanon border
- Fri** Those who live in danger of violence and persecution
Amnesty International, standing up for human rights
- Sat** St Peter's Music Group
The UN peacekeepers trying to maintain international peace and security

The Collect for The Twenty-First Sunday after Trinity (Common Worship)

Almighty God, in whose service lies perfect freedom:
teach us to obey you with loving hearts and steadfast wills;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Daily Readings

Morning Prayer is at 8:00 am and Evening Prayer at 5:00 pm daily. Both services are livestreamed on Facebook – join in by following the links on our website. These are the Bible readings we will be using each morning this week.

- Mon** Psalm 1
Judith 4
1 Timothy 6 v 1 - 10
- Tues** Psalm 5
Judith 5 v 1 – 6 v 4
1 Timothy 6 v 11 to end
- Wed** Psalm 119 v 1 - 32
Judith 6 v 10 – 7 v 7
2 Timothy 1 v 1 - 14
- Thurs** Psalm 15
Judith 7 v 19 to end
2 Timothy 1 v 15 – 2 v 13
- Fri** *Crispin and Crispinian, Martyrs at Rome, c 287*
Psalm 19
Judith 8 v 9 to end
2 Timothy 2 v 14 to end
- Sat** *Alfred the Great, King of the West Saxons, 899*
Cedd, Abbot of Lastingham, Bishop of the East Saxons, 644
Psalm 23
Judith 9
2 Timothy 3

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

Grant, we beseech thee, merciful Lord, to thy faithful people pardon and peace;
that they may be cleansed from all their sins,
and serve thee with a quiet mind;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Tickets are now on sale for St Peter's Players production!

St Peter's Box of Delights is a feel-good pre-Christmas variety show, including music from various Disney shows as well as acts from performers of all ages. Tickets are available from the Parish Office, on the door or using this link: <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/st-peters-church>.

What's on This Week

St Peter's Church is open to visitors from 9:30 am – 3:30 pm every day except Sundays.

- Mon 21st** 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
6:45 – 9:00 pm *The Bereavement Journey* in the Brostoff Hall
7:30 pm St Peter's Player's rehearsal in Church
- Tues 22nd** **12:00 – 12:30 pm Healing Service**
7:30 pm St Peter's Player's rehearsal in Church
- Wed 23rd** **10:30 – 11:00 am Café RefleXions**
7:30 pm Harrogate Harmony Men's Chorus
- Thurs 24th** 9:30 – 11:00 am The Toddler Group at St Peter's
11:00 am Holy Communion
7:30 pm St Peter's Choir Practice
- Fri 25th** 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 26th** 10:00 am – 3:30 pm *Harrogate Gilbert & Sullivan Society* are holding a Refreshment Day in Church
- Sun 27th** ***The Last Sunday after Trinity***
1:00 – 1:30 pm Sunday Lunch
7:30 – 8:30 pm AA meeting in the Brostoff Hall

Next Sunday 27th October

The Last Sunday after Trinity

Bible Sunday

- 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 by
Candlelight

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.



Harrogate School of Theology & Mission

Women who plant churches – learning from the story of Lydia in Acts 16 – a seminar by Rachel Crossley

This is on Saturday 26th October at Woodlands Methodist Church on Wetherby Road, starting with breakfast at 9:30 am, followed by the seminar from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm. Tickets cost £5, under 18s are free. Booking in advance via *Eventbrite*, visit hstm.org.uk/events for further details.

Light the Night with Netmakers

Thursday 31st October at 7:00 pm meeting at Life Destiny Church, High Street, Starbeck

Want an alternative to *Trick or Treating*? Young people are invited to join us as we go door to door sharing sweets and a Gospel message with local residents in Starbeck. If your young person would like to join us please register at <https://netmakers.org.uk/lightthenight>.

If you'd like to volunteer to accompany some of the young people, or if you would like to do something similar in a different part of town, please get in touch with us at cici@netmakers.org.uk.



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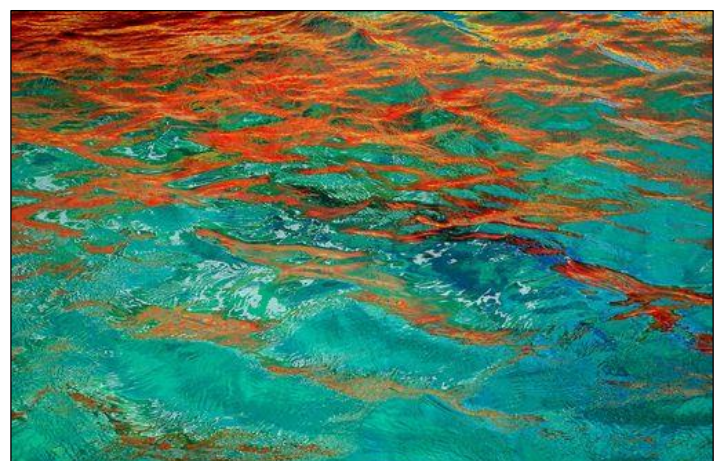
Les chansons des roses

Debut album launch concert

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Morton Lauridsen – Les chansons des roses
Jonathan Dove – The Passing of the Year

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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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if you brought some groceries, toiletries or treats to put in the hamper today!



The flowers in Church today are to celebrate the 101st birthday of **Sheila Pantin**

Next Week's Deadline

The deadline for the next edition of the Weekly News (27th October) will be noon on Wednesday 23rd October. Please send any items (including photos) to **The Weekly News Editor**, Marian Chambers, or to the Vicar, Alan Garrow.

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.

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