



Weekly News

21st September 2025

The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

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

When I Get Old (WIGO)

Working for better care and support in our older age

I spent most of my working life striving for better support choices for working-age adults with disabilities. Over 40 years, huge progress was made — driven by disabled people themselves — until it became widely accepted that they have a right to services that fit around them and allow them to give, live and love.

Then I retired and began facing my own older age. I was struck by how different the language is when it comes to older people: words like *burden*, *dependency*, *need* — and of course *cost*. The services on offer are limited (care homes or home care), focused mainly on safety and basic comfort, and often shaped more around the provider than the person. They are also eye-wateringly expensive. These are not the services I want for myself or those I love.

That realisation is the drive behind **When I Get Old (WIGO)**, a new charity with a simple vision: a world where older people — especially those who need a bit more help than before — can continue to live adventurous and fulfilled lives. Older age inevitably brings challenges, but from the 300 or so people we've spoken to, the message is clear: we want to keep giving, living, and loving right to the very end, supported in ways that make this possible.

We are a small organisation with great allies, relying on the knowledge, goodwill and energy of those who join our movement. To learn more, share your story, or support our work, please visit www.wigo.org.uk



Siân Lockwood, Churchwarden at St Peter's Church

Fundraising Refreshment Day

There is a St Peter's Fundraising Refreshment Day to raise funds for our Church on Saturday 27th September from 10:00 am until 3:30 pm. They will be serving morning coffee, light lunches and afternoon teas. If you are in town on Saturday, please come and support this fundraising event in Church. Thank you!



Bipolar UK Support Group at St Peter's

Bipolar UK is the only national charity dedicated to empowering individuals and families affected by bipolar. There are over 80 online and in-person peer support groups registered in the UK. The Harrogate Bipolar UK peer support group meet on the **last** Wednesday of each

month in the Music Room from 7:00 – 9:00 pm. The next meeting is this week on Wednesday 24th September.

Collect your Harvest Gift Bags today!

This year we are inviting you once again to fill a Harvest Gift Bag, which will be available from Carole Raw at the Welcome Desk **after the Sunday morning services today, Sunday 21st September**, and during the preceding week Monday to Friday from the Parish Office. This year we are supporting those living in care homes, residential homes or the elderly living at home. All the information you need will be printed on the card attached to your bag.



The filled bag and card should be returned to Church on **Sunday 5th October** at any of the morning services. They will be distributed by our delivery teams the following day, so please return your bag on time! We hope you enjoy taking part in our Harvest Giving Project!

Carole Raw, Parish Administrator, and Jan Edwards, Lay Pastoral Minister

Vacancy at St Peter's Church

We have a vacancy for a Saturday afternoon General Assistant at St Peter's as our lovely student Emily is leaving Harrogate. The position is available from the end of September, hours are normally 3.00 - 5.00 pm, or by arrangement, and the salary is £12.60 per hour for over 18s. If you would like to know more about the role, please contact Carole Raw on stpeterschurchhgtoffice@gmail.com or 07425 161 425.



CRAFT FAIR raising much needed funds for a girls' refuge run by the Women's Development Centre near Kandy, Sri Lanka.

Saturday 4th October from 10:00 am – 2:30 pm

Moortown Baptist Church, 204 King Lane, Moortown, Leeds

Contact Lesley: admin@moortownbaptistchurch.org.uk for a table.

Please come to the *Bring and Share Harvest Lunch*



The ***Bring and Share Harvest Lunch*** is on Harvest Sunday, 5th October, at 1:00 pm in Church. We hope it will be a buffet that reflects the many different heritages and cultures that make up our congregations, as they come together to share good food and fellowship. If you are able to bring some food or drink to share that would be great – all contributions are welcome! Speak to Catherine Medforth (07876 653 765) or Siân Lockwood (07889 616 755) if you have any questions. This morning

there are sign-up lists available at the Welcomers' Desk after the services. **Everyone is invited!**

It's Film Night at St Peter's Evening Fellowship

The next meeting of Evening Fellowship is a film night on Thursday 2nd October at 7:30 pm in the Brostoff Hall. We will be showing a film entitled **Conclave**, based on the best selling book by Robert Harris, which described the process of selecting a new Pope - with a twist!

Everyone is most welcome. For further information, please contact Paul Medforth (pamedforth@gmail.com or 07710 195 834).



Saturday 27th September
Royal Hall, Harrogate
Time: 07:30 PM
Tickets: £15 / £25 / £35
Reserve your tickets:
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Quore Chamber Orchestra

Beethoven
Symphony No. 1

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Gala Concert

Sat 27 September – 7.30 pm
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Today's Services: 21st September 2025

Creationtide

The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

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 **1030** The Lord's my Shepherd; **1074** Wash me clean ; **997** Send us the rain, Lord; **1200** Christ whose glory fills the skies

Readings 2 Corinthians v 4 v 1 - 6

Matthew 6 v 25 - 36

Preacher: Steve Gibbin

Our Duty Wardens today are:

Eve Hawkins
and Ian Birt

11:00 Choral Matins

Setting Alcock in B flat (Te Deum)

Hymns 205, 449, 530

Psalm 49

Readings Proverbs 3 v 13 - 18

Matthew 6 v 25 - 36

Anthem Give us the wings of faith (*Bullock*)

Preacher: Hannah Beck

4:15 pm Stepping Stones Service Crafternoon Church

Reading: 1 Timothy 2 v 1 - 7

Preacher: Ruth Thompson-Vear

6:30 Choral Communion

Setting Darke in A minor

Hymns 305, 209, 573, 572

Readings Ecclesiastes 5 v 4 - 12

Matthew 19 v 16 – end

Anthem Thou visitest the earth (*Greene*)

Preacher: Alan Garrow

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, Ann Campbell, Graham Cornish, Jane Crabtree, Tony Edwards, Louise Emrullahu, Tim Harrison, June Hemmings, Jean Hopper, Trevor Hughes, Joan Kelly, Kim Okell, Sheila Pantin, Celia Preston, Richard Sadler and Michelle Simon.

Also in our prayers this week:

Mon	Chris Clayton, Associate Vicar Our Lay Baptism Team
Tues	Harrogate Bipolar Support Group Men's Breakfast at St Peter's
Wed	Siân Lockwood, Churchwarden All our Duty Wardens and Sidespeople
Thurs	The 999 and NHS 111 call centre staff The work of the <i>Samaritans</i>
Fri	North Yorkshire Council Stewart Davies, Lay Reader
Sat	St Peter's Music Group Alan Garrow, Vicar of St Peter's

Daily Readings

Morning Prayer is at 8:00 am and Evening Prayer is at 5:00 pm daily and both are live streamed 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 Wisdom 1 Mark 9 v 38 to end
Tues	Psalm 5 Wisdom 2 Mark 10 v 1 - 16
Wed	Psalm 119 v 1 - 32 Wisdom 3 v 1 - 9 Mark 10 v 17 - 31
Thurs	<i>Lancelot Andrewes , Bishop of Winchester, Writer, 1626</i> Psalm 15 Wisdom 4 v 7 to end Mark 10 v 32 - 34
Fri	<i>Wilson Carlile, Founder of the Church Army, 1942</i> Psalm 19 Wisdom 5 v 1 - 16 Mark 10 v 35 - 45
Sat	<i>Vincent de Paul, Founder of the Congregation of the Mission, 1660</i> Psalm 23 Wisdom 5 v 17 – 6 v 11 Mark 10 v 46 to end

The Collect for The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity (Common Worship)

Merciful God, your Son came to save us and bore our sins on the cross: may we trust in your mercy and know your love, rejoicing in the righteousness that is ours through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Collect for The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity (Book of Common Prayer)

Almighty and everlasting God, give unto us the increase of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain that which thou dost promise, make us to love that which thou dost command; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

What's on This Week

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

Fairtrade Fortnight runs from 22nd September to 5th October.

Mon 22nd	11:00 am – 1:00 pm <i>Sit-n-Knit</i> in Church 1:30 – 3:00 pm The <i>Thinking about God</i> group is meeting in the Undercroft 2:00 pm The U3A Singing Folk group 7:00 – 9:00 pm <i>Beauty and the Beast</i> rehearsal in Church
Tues 23rd	12:00 – 12:30 pm Healing Service
Wed 24th	10:30 – 11:00 am Café RefleXions 2:00 – 3:30 pm Art Class for Adults with Helena 7:00 – 9:00 pm The <i>Harrogate Bipolar UK</i> peer support group meet in the Music Room 7:30 pm Harrogate Harmony Men's Chorus
Thurs 25th	9:30 – 11:00 am The Toddler Group at St Peter's 11:00 am Holy Communion
Fri 26th	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 27th	10:00 am – 3:30 pm <i>St Peter's Church Fundraising Refreshment Day</i> serving morning coffee, light lunches and afternoon teas!
Sun 28th	<i>The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity</i> 5:30 – 7:00 pm Sanctuary are meeting in the Brostoff Hall to plan their entry for <i>St Peter's Christmas Tree Festival</i> – determined to win this year! 7:30 – 8:30 pm AA meeting in the Brostoff Hall

Next Sunday 28th September 2025

The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

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

St Peter's Food Ministry:

The Breakfast Club provides a free, hot breakfast every morning from Monday to Saturday (8:15 – 8:45 am) for all those who are hungry or in need.

Our mini-supermarket is on Thursdays from 4:20 – 4:40 pm – an opportunity to stock up on tinned, preserved and dried food and toiletries.

Do it Fair this Fairtrade Fortnight

This year Fairtrade Fortnight will be taking place from **22nd September to 5th October 2025**. Over these fourteen days each of us are being asked to **Do it Fair**. Celebrating the difference we can all make when we choose Fairtrade and campaign as part of a UK-wide movement calling for a fairer system behind the things we consume every day.



With the world in a tailspin, fairness isn't a given. But the power to get there is in our hands. Together, our choices can have a positive impact on real people's lives. Fairer pay. Fairer treatment. Fairer futures. That's Fairtrade. It's not just a label – it's a movement. So, whatever you do, and however you do it: **Do it Fair**.

Accommodation needed

Some of you may remember me, Graham Richards, former member of the Music Group and Children's & Youth Adviser for Richmond Archdeaconry. I retired back to Essex, but 6 years later, my landlord is selling up. I'm looking to move back to the Harrogate area, as my daughter, Connie, and granddaughter, River, are still local. I'm looking to rent a 2-bed property from 1st December 2025, ideally with off road parking. I don't need a garden, but a bungalow or ground floor property would be good. Rent up to a maximum £900 pcm. This would be a long-term rental, as I'm not planning on moving again!

If you have a property in Harrogate/Knaresborough, or know of one, please let me know via email: tadeastman@gmail.com.

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if you remembered to bring
some groceries, toiletries or
treats to put in the hamper
today! Your donation will help
someone who is
hungry or in need.

Next Week's Deadline

The deadline for the next edition of
the Weekly News (28th September)
will be noon on Wednesday 24th
September. 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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