



# Weekly News

## 26<sup>th</sup> November 2023

*Christ the King*

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

### St Peter's Church Christmas Fair

Saturday 2nd December 2023  
10:00am - 4:00pm

Tombola  
Books  
Raffles

Refreshments  
Gifts  
and Cards



St Peter's Church, Cambridge Road, Harrogate

### Come and support us!

Christmas comes around every year and yet it always seems to take us by surprise, or maybe that's simply with age!

Our annual Christmas Fair is now just one week away, and you are all very welcome, along with family and friends, to share in its joy with us.

There will be a delicious array of refreshments on offer, including homemade soups, sandwiches and cakes; all at very reasonable prices.

We have an excellent selection of stalls selling craft items that would make amazing Christmas presents, like local honey, decorations, pictures, cards and toiletries. An interesting book about Valley Gardens will also be on sale.

The Rainbows, Brownies and Guides will be selling a range of goodies, raising money for both St Peter's Church and the Birk Crag Project, and we look forward to seeing what they have on offer. There will also be our usual impressive book sale, a Bric-a-Brac stall and two tombolas.

A **huge thank you** to everyone who has donated prizes for our tombolas, I am very grateful to you, these popular stalls wouldn't exist without your generosity. The same, of course, applies to all the stalls and refreshments, **thank you for the time, energy and effort you offer to make the Fair a success.**

So, if you are free on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December please do **come and support** the Fair, buy some presents, treat yourself to lunch and enjoy 'all the fun of the Fair'.

God bless you this Christmas!

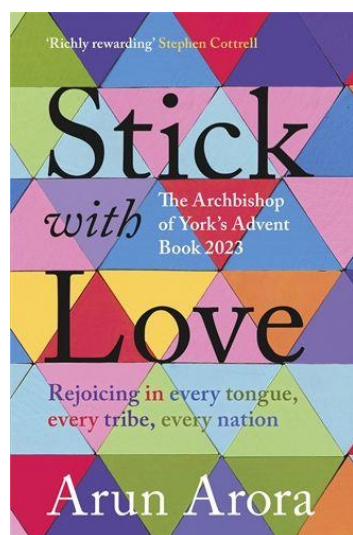
Sarah Martin, Lay Reader at St Peter's

## St Peter's Christmas Appeal - don't forget to bring back your bag TOMORROW!

Please return your bag with your card to St Peter's Church on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> 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!

## Advent Candle Service

Next Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup> December, is the first Sunday in Advent, so please join us for our Advent Candle Service starting at 6:30 pm. St Peter's will be filled with beautiful words, music and candlelight, as we prepare for the coming of Christ into the world.



## Advent Course at Ripon Cathedral

An Advent course following the Archbishop of York's Advent book for 2023 '*Stick with Love*' by Bishop Arun Arora starts next week at 7:30 pm at Thorpe Prebend House on:

- Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December led by Canon Michael Gisbourne;
- Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December led by the Dean John Dobson;
- Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December led by Canon Claire Renshaw.

Please contact the Cathedral Office or email [cathedraladmin@riponcathedral.org](mailto:cathedraladmin@riponcathedral.org) to book a place.

The book is available in the Cathedral Shop for £10.99.

## Carols by Candlelight

At St Peter's Church, Harrogate town centre  
Thursday 7th December at 7pm

Doors open at 6.30pm for  
mulled wine & mince pies.

FREE ENTRY

Retiring collection in aid of  
Artizan International.

Late night shopping to follow  
at Artizan with free gifts.



[www.artizaninternational.org](http://www.artizaninternational.org)

registered charity no. 1160494

**BOOK YOUR STALL NOW**  
Email: [bookings@stwilfrid.org](mailto:bookings@stwilfrid.org)

# The Spirit of Christmas

**CHRISTMAS FAYRE AT ST WILFRID**  
Sunday 10th December  
11am until 4pm

**4PM THE CHORUS PICTOR CHOIR FROM SWEDEN**  
SINGING A TRADITIONAL Santa Lucia concert

Activities for Kids, Handmade Gifts, Tower Tours, Crafts

**ST WILFRID'S CHURCH, DUCHY ROAD, HARROGATE HG1 2EY**

**FREE ENTRY**





## Stir Up Sunday!

Today is Stir Up Sunday – so called because it's the traditional day for making Christmas puddings, said to be inspired by the BCP collect for the day (*see page 5*) that begins: *Stir up, we beseech thee, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people.* So, if you are making your pudding today – happy stirring!

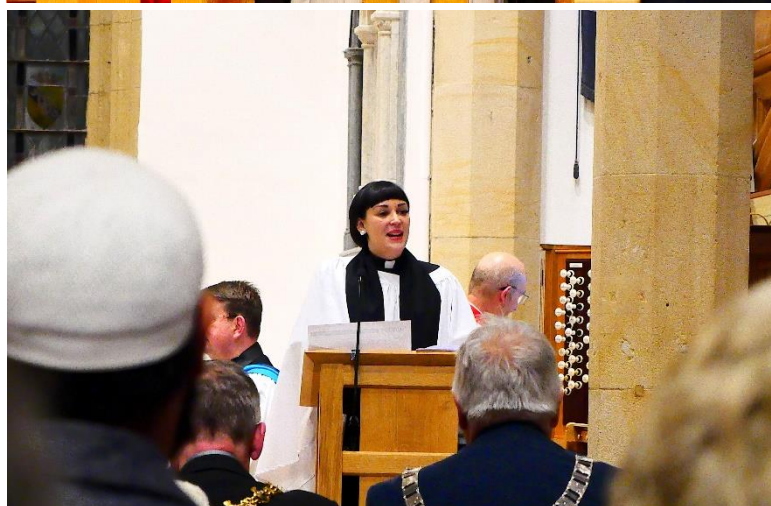
## Harrogate School of Theology & Mission

***Amos and Justice – a live seminar by the Revd Leah Thompson, a curate in Bradford, followed by a group discussion***

This is on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> December, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm with breakfast available from 9:30 am, at Christ Church, Harrogate. Tickets cost £5, under 18s are free. Booking in advance via [Eventbrite](#).



## The new Vicar of the Benefice of Clitheroe, Chatburn and Downham



The Revd Dr Judith Clark, formerly Curate and then Associate Priest at St Peter's, was formally instituted by the Bishop of Blackburn, Philip North, and inducted by the Archdeacon of Blackburn, Mark Ireland, at St Mary Magdalene's Church, last Sunday. After making all her oaths and declarations, Judith was taken to the West Door of the Church to be given possession of the four churches of the Benefice and rang the church bell to announce her induction. She was then welcomed by the Churchwardens and Community Leaders. You can watch the full service on the [St Mary's YouTube channel](#).

# Today's Services: 26<sup>th</sup> November 2023

## *Christ the King*

*The Sunday next before Advent (BCP)*

### **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** Today is the day we've been given; **1404** King of Kings, Majesty;  
**1158** All my days; **1407** King of the ages

**Readings** Ephesians 1 v 15 to end  
Matthew 25 v 31 to end

**Preacher:** Chris Clayton

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

Roy Taylor and  
Michael Burlison

### **11:00 Choral Matins**

**Setting** Vaughan Williams in G (Te Deum)

**Hymns** 165, 460, 546

**Psalm** 29

**Readings** Ezekiel 34 v 11 – 16 and v 20 - 24  
Matthew 25 v 31 to end

**Anthem** Zadok the Priest (*Handel*)

**Preacher:** Chris Clayton

### **4:15 pm Stepping Stones Service** *Service of the Word*

**Preacher:** Sam Clayton

### **6:30 Choral Evensong by candlelight**

**Setting** Wood in Eflat (no. 2)

**Hymns** 590, 172, 398

**Psalm** 97

**Readings** 2 Samuel 23 v 1 - 7  
Matthew 28 v 16 to end

**Anthem** Lift up your heart (*John Longstaff*)

**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, 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:**

<b>Mon</b>	St Peter's CE Primary School <i>Martin House</i> , a hospice caring for children and young people
<b>Tues</b>	All our retired Clergy St Peter's Afternoon Fellowship
<b>Wed</b>	That the deal to release hostages being held in Gaza during a four-day pause in fighting goes ahead That the extra humanitarian aid reaches those who need it most
<b>Thurs</b>	The opening day of COP28 hosted by the United Arab Emirates That COP 28 will deliver greater ambition and justice regarding climate change
<b>Fri</b>	St Peter's <i>Ladies who Lunch</i> St Peter's Flower Team
<b>Sat</b>	Patients and staff in intensive care units Our homes, families, friends and all whom we love

**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 96 Isaiah 14 v 3 - 20 Matthew 9 v 18 - 34
<b>Tues</b>	Psalm 97 Isaiah 17 Matthew 9 v 35 – 10 v 15
<b>Wed</b>	Psalm 112 Isaiah 19 Matthew 10 v 16 - 33
<b>Thurs</b>	<b><i>Andrew the Apostle</i></b> Psalm 47 Ezekiel 47 v 1 - 12 John 12 v 20 - 32
<b>Fri</b>	Psalm 88 Isaiah 22 v 1 - 14 Matthew 11 v 2 - 19
<b>Sat</b>	Psalm 97 Isaiah 24 Matthew 11 v 20 to end

**The Collect for Christ the King**

(Common Worship)

God the Father, help us to hear the call of Christ the King and to follow in his service,  
whose kingdom has no end;  
for he reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, one glory.

**The Collect for The Sunday next before Advent** (Book of Common Prayer)

Stir up, we beseech thee, O Lord, the wills of thy faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may of thee be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# What's on This Week

*St Peter's Church is open to visitors from 9:30 am – 3:30 pm every day except Sundays.  
The Fairtrade Christmas Shop is now open in the Old Baptistery.*

<b>Mon 27<sup>th</sup></b>	9:00 am – 5:30 pm Please return your filled Christmas bags for this year's <i>St Peter's Christmas Appeal</i> to Church 1:30 – 3:00 pm The <i>Thinking about God</i> group meets in the Undercroft 2:00 pm The U3A Singing Folk group
<b>Tues 28<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>12:00 – 12:30 pm Healing Service</b>
<b>Wed 29<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>10:30 – 11:00 am Café RefleXions</b> 7:30 pm Harrogate Harmony Men's Chorus
<b>Thurs 30<sup>th</sup></b>	<b><i>St Andrew's Day</i></b> 9:30 – 11:00 am The Toddler Group at St Peter's <b>11:00 am Holy Communion</b> 7:30 pm St Peter's Choir Practice
<b>Fri 1<sup>st</sup></b>	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 <i>Café Connect</i> meets in the Brostoff Hall
<b>Sat 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	St Peter's Christmas Fair – stalls with local honey, Christmas decorations, cards, pictures, and toiletries. Tombolas and raffles. Delicious food and hot drinks available all day! 
<b>Sun 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b><i>The First Sunday of Advent</i></b> 1:00 – 1:30 pm Sunday Lunch 7:30 – 8:30 pm AA meeting in the Brostoff Hall

## Next Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December

### ***The First Sunday of Advent***

8:30	Holy Communion
9:30	Family Communion led by <i>Sanctuary</i>
11:00	Choral Communion
4:15	Stepping Stones Service – <i>Celtic Worship</i>
6:30	Advent Candle 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.



## COP 28 – how is the Church of England getting involved?

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.



As this is a global conference dealing with a global problem, the Church of England engages with COP summits as part of a delegation from the Anglican Communion. At COP28, the delegation will be led by the Primate of Central America, the Most Revd Julio Murray, from Panama (*here on the left*). He hopes to bring the lived experiences of the impact of climate change to COP and to collaborate with ecumenical partners and other peoples of faith to call for greater ambition and justice regarding climate change.

In 2009, a commitment was made to provide \$100bn a year to help tackle climate change - that target is yet to be met. Last year, a new fund to tackle loss and damage was announced to help less developed countries respond to the damage being done to their homelands because of the historic activity of more heavily industrialised nations. This year, the conference needs to agree where that money is going to come from and how to make sure it gets distributed fairly.

Please pray for every country to be willing to make concessions to see the kind of change we need to see to tackle climate change. Pray that those who are on the margins and at the forefront of the changing climate are able to tell their stories. Pray also for Archbishop Julio and the rest of the Anglican delegation.

**HARROGATE CHORAL SOCIETY**

**G F HANDEL**

**MESSIAH**

National Festival Orchestra  
Anna Devin, Soprano  
Gaynor Keeble, Mezzo  
James Micklethwaite, Tenor  
Andrew Mayor, Bass  
Conducted by David Lawrence

**Royal Hall  
Harrogate  
9 December 2023  
at 7pm**

**Tickets £25, £18**  
(students and under 16s £5)  
from the Harrogate Box Office  
Tel 01423 502116  
online at [www.harrogatechoral.org.uk](http://www.harrogatechoral.org.uk)

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**Ripon Choral Society**

**Saturday 9 December  
2023, 7.30pm  
Ripon Cathedral**

**J. S. Bach**

**Christmas Oratorio**

*Strike up, full  
of rejoicing and  
exultation!*

Tickets: £25 reserved; £22 unreserved (student concessions £10)

Book online at [riponchoralsociety.org.uk](http://riponchoralsociety.org.uk)  
• on the door at each concert • in person at Ripon Cathedral Shop  
• by email: [info@riponchoralsociety.org.uk](mailto:info@riponchoralsociety.org.uk)

Refreshments  
are served after  
each of our  
Sunday morning  
services from



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

### St Peter's Breakfast Club



As the cold, icy weather arrives,  
Hannah Beck would like donations of  
warm, good quality socks, gloves and  
hats to give to members of the  
Breakfast Club and at our 'mini-  
supermarkets' on Thursdays. Please  
pop them in the hamper. **Thank you!**

### Next Week's Deadline

The deadline for the next edition of  
the Weekly News (3<sup>rd</sup> December) will  
be noon on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup>  
November. 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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