



Weekly News

29th January 2023

The Fourth Sunday of Epiphany

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

A Holocaust Prayer



Lord God and Father,

We remember before you all those who bear the inner and outer scars of the Holocaust and of subsequent acts of genocide.

Let them not be overwhelmed by the horrors that engulfed them.

Be close to them.

Help them to see that you suffer with those who suffer, and that no wickedness can ever extinguish your infinite love.

Restrain those who are filled with hatred and use violence to pursue their ends.
Change their hearts.

May remembrance make us alert to the reality of evil and its deceptive allure.

Help us to recognise our own capacity for evil and allow your Spirit to purge it from our beings.

Help us also to stand up against evil and oppression, even if that means we have to suffer ourselves.

Enable us to defend those who are not strong enough to defend themselves, and to be ready to bring the light of your truth into the dark areas of human experience.

Deepen our respect for everything you have made, and help us to share in securing the maximum good of every person who is alive in your world.

We ask this in the Name of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for our sins, carries our sorrows, heals our wounds, and is risen for our freedom.

Philip Hall

*Holocaust Memorial Day (HMD) takes place each year on 27th January. Today we welcome members of the local Jewish community, who will be joining us for our **Holocaust Memorial Service** at 11:00 am.*

St Peter's Evening Fellowship

At the next meeting of St Peter's Evening Fellowship on Thursday 2nd February at 7:30pm in the Brostoff Hall, there will be a **QUIZ NIGHT** hosted by Nigel McClea. Members are most welcome to bring along guests. Further details from Richard Bion (07966 073867 or richardbion9@gmail.com).



Harrogate School of Theology & Mission

Is religion bad for you? (part 1) – a Bibletrack Seminar by Graham Tomlin



This is on Saturday 4th February, starting at 10:00 am at Mowbray Community Church in Westmoreland Street, with a DVD presentation by Graham Tomlin followed by a facilitated discussion. Tickets cost £5, under 18s are free. Booking in advance via *Eventbrite*, visit hstm.org.uk/events for further details.

Celebrating Candlemas at Ripon Cathedral

Come and celebrate the Candlemas Eucharist in the Cathedral lit by over 5,000 candles on Thursday 2nd February starting at 7:30 pm. Follow the choir in a great procession around the Cathedral, pondering the amazing candle-lit arrangements and singing as many hymns as are needed!



The Bereavement Journey

The Bereavement Journey is a six week course for anyone who has been bereaved at any time. Each week there are two films which help guide people through the most common aspects of grief, followed by an opportunity for discussion.

There is a course starting at St Mark's Church, Leeds Road on 20th February at 7:30 pm. Please book by 8th February (01423 544528 or pastoralcare@smch.org.uk).

A new Home Group starting at St Peter's in February

A new group, meeting on the second and fourth Thursday of the month, here at St Peter's Church, will be starting next month. The first meeting is at 7:00 pm on Thursday 9th February.

If you are interested in coming and would like to know more, please speak to Sue Heapy (07540 355 305 or brynsusie@hotmail.com) or Chris Clayton (07407 258 733 or chris.clayton@leeds.anglican.org).



Fundraising Refreshment Day

There is a St Peter's Fundraising Refreshment Day to raise funds for our Church on Saturday 4th February from 10:00 am until 3:00 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!



St Peter's Afternoon Fellowship

St Peter's Afternoon Fellowship meets on the first Monday of the month at Gillian Taylor's home. There is usually a speaker, or sometimes an outing, and always a delicious afternoon tea. Harry Satloka, from *Free Walking Tour Harrogate*, is the speaker at the next meeting on Monday 6th February, from 2:00 – 4:00 pm. Please call Gillian on 01423 500482 if you would like to come.

Come to *The Cake Matters Café* next Thursday

The Cake Matters Café is on the second Thursday of each month. The next one is on Thursday 9th February from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm after the Holy Communion service. They will be serving hot drinks; delicious soups with bread; freshly made rolls with a variety of fillings; scones; and of course, cake!



St Peter's Handbell Ringers are looking for two new members

The handbell ringers meet on Thursday afternoons from 1:00 – 2:45 pm and play for pleasure rather than performance. They ring two chromatic octaves of handbells from music (not numbers) so an ability to read music is helpful but not essential. Contact Hannah Beck (07503 186 455) if you are interested in joining them.

The Diocese bids farewell to Bishop Helen-Ann



The Diocese has said goodbye to the Rt Revd Dr Helen-Ann Hartley (*pictured here with her husband Myles*) at a special evensong service at Ripon Cathedral. After Bishop Helen-Ann had placed her diocesan cope, stole and mitre on the altar in a symbolic act of standing down from her role as Bishop of Ripon; Bishop Nick said how she had been a blessing to the Diocese in the past five years since she arrived at Ripon Cathedral from New Zealand. She will now take up a new challenge as the diocesan Bishop of Newcastle.

Daniel Brewer is organizing a **BOOK SALE** in Church on Saturday 4th February during the Refreshment Day from 10:00 am – 3:00 pm. Please support!

Today's Services: 29th January 2023

The Fourth Sunday of Epiphany

Celebrating *The Presentation of Christ in the Temple* (Candlemas)

8:30 Holy Communion

9:30 Family Communion – with the Bigger Band!

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 **362** Shine, Jesus, shine!; **40** Be still (For the presence of the Lord); For ev'ryone born, a place at the table; Sing of the Lord's goodness

Readings 1 Corinthians 1 v 18 to end
John 2 v 1 - 11

Preacher: Alan Garrow

11:00 Holocaust Memorial Service

Hymns *See order of service*

Psalm 15

Readings *See order of service*

Anthem How lovely are thy dwellings (*Brahms*)

Preacher: Professor Richard Morris

4:15 pm Stepping Stones Service *Abraham and Sarah*

Preacher: Chris Clayton

6:30 Choral Evensong for Candlemas

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Hymns 94, 244, 80 (*omit *verse*)

Psalm 132

Readings Malachi 3 v 1 – 5
Luke 2 v 22 - 40

Anthem When to the temple Mary went (*Eccard*)

Preacher: Sue Pearce

Youth Worship Night

On Sunday 5th February our youth group, **Sanctuary**, will be attending the *Youth Worship Night* for all the youth groups in Harrogate. The venue is the Starling Independent Bar Café Kitchen, 47 Oxford Street, HG1 1PW (safeguarding measures are in place so NO alcohol will be served). Contact Chris Clayton (07407 258 733) if you would like to come.



Please pray for those who have asked for our prayers:

Pat Anderson, Robert Bickford, Georgia Gabrielle Bradley, Michael Bradley, Margie Dickinson, Tony Edwards, Geni Emrullahu, Louise Emrullahu, David Fisher, Vicky Harrison, June Hemmings, Trevor Hughes, Jackie Kelly, Steve Martin, Sheila Pantin, Frances Roxby-Proud and Michelle Simon.

Also in our prayers this week:

Mon	Vulnerable children with safeguarding and welfare needs <i>St Andrew's Evangelical Mission</i> , in Chosica, Peru
Tues	All who are housebound The team preparing and serving Sunday Lunch
Wed	Those who have lost their jobs All who are seeking work, may they not lose hope
Thurs	GP surgeries and health centres All attending our Healing Service
Fri	The Prime Minister, Rishi Sunak The economic and social wellbeing of this country
Sat	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.

Mon	<i>Charles, King and Martyr</i> Psalm 57 Hosea 9 1 Corinthians 12 v 12 to end
Tues	Psalm 93 Hosea 10 1 Corinthians 13
Wed	<i>Brigid, Abbess of Kildare</i> Psalm 95 Hosea 11 v 1 - 11 1 Corinthians 14 v 1 - 19
Thurs	Psalm 15 Hosea 11 v 12 – 12 to end 1 Corinthians 14 v 20 to end
Fri	Psalm 19 Hosea 13 v 1 - 14 1 Corinthians 16 v 1 - 9
Sat	Psalm 23 Hosea 14 1 Corinthians 16 v 10 to end

The Collect for the Presentation of Christ in the Temple

(Common Worship)

Lord Jesus Christ, light of the nations and glory of Israel: make your home among us, and present us pure and holy to your heavenly Father, your God, and our God.

The Collect for The Presentation of Christ in the Temple (Book of Common Prayer)

Almighty and everliving God, we humbly beseech thy Majesty, that, as thy only-begotten Son was this day presented in the temple in substance of our flesh, so we may be presented unto thee with pure and clean hearts, by the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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 30th	1:30 – 3:00 pm The <i>Thinking about God</i> group meets in the Undercroft 2:00 pm The U3A Singing Folk group
Tues 31st	12:00 – 12:30 pm Healing Service 6:00 – 8:00 pm The Start! Course – session 2: <i>Does God exist and what is He like?</i>
Wed 1st	10:30 – 11:00 am Café RefleXions 2:00 – 4:00 pm <i>Spectrum</i> , a social group for widows and widowers, meet in the Brostoff Hall 7:30 pm Harrogate Harmony Men's Chorus
Thurs 2nd	Candlemas 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 7:30 pm St Peter's Evening Fellowship are having a Quiz Night
Fri 3rd	9:30 am AA meeting in the Music Room 10:00 am – 12:00 pm St Peter's Cleaning Team 1:30 pm Funeral of Ruth Bowes
Sat 4th	10:00 am – 3:00 pm St Peter's Fundraising Refreshment Day – serving morning coffee, light lunches and afternoon tea! 10:00 am – 3:00 pm BOOK SALE
Sun 5th	<i>The Third Sunday before Lent</i> 1:00 – 1:30 pm Sunday Lunch 6:00 – 7:30 pm Sanctuary , our youth group, are attending the Youth Worship Night at Starling Independent Bar Café Kitchen, 47 Oxford Street, HG1 1PW (<i>please drop off/pick up from there</i>)

Next Sunday 5th February

The Third Sunday before Lent

8:30	Holy Communion
9:30	Family Communion
11:00	Choral Communion
4:15	Stepping Stones Service – <i>Celtic Worship</i>
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.

The Chinese New Year Celebrations at St Peter's Church

Since the announcement in 2021 of the British National Overseas passport scheme, allowing Hong Kong citizens to come and reside in the UK, St Peter's has welcomed families who have moved to Harrogate from Hong Kong. They kindly invited us to share some of the tastes and traditions of the Chinese New Year last Saturday – Chinese New Year's Eve. Thank you to everyone who worked so hard to put on this unique event!



Michelle Chong and Stewart Davies wearing red – the auspicious colour for the Lunar New Year festival, denoting prosperity.



A lucky charm bell pendant and some red envelopes hanging from the Golden Gates



Just one of the delicious treats on offer traditionally eaten at New Year.



Alan Garrow tries his hand at Chinese calligraphy using a traditional brush, ink stick and slab to write a New Year greeting.



Teaching guests how to write in Chinese characters to make good luck banners.

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 flowers in Church today are in memory of **Edith Riemer**, a Jewish child who was sent from Germany to England on the Kindertransport in January 1939, and was given a home by the grandparents of Pam Brush. Edith's parents were murdered by the Nazis.

The Kindertransport (Children's Transport) was a unique humanitarian rescue programme running from November 1938 to September 1939. Approximately 10,000 children, the majority of whom were Jewish, were sent from their homes and families in Germany, Austria and Czechoslovakia to Britain. Many lost their families in the Nazi ghettos and concentration camps.



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 edition of the Weekly News (5th February) will be noon on Wednesday 1st February. Please send any items (including photos) to Alan Garrow **or** to Marian Chambers (addresses below).

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