



Weekly News

3rd March 2024

The Third Sunday of Lent

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Introducing Leigh Thompson – Welcome Officer

What happens when you fill in a Welcome Card and hand it to the Vicar at the end of the service? Soon afterwards I'll be in touch to arrange a time to visit you at home or to have a coffee at the Artizan Café. At that meeting I might make a note of any gifts, skills or experience you'd be willing to share (always be careful what you tell a Vicar!), and any groups, ministries, or activities you might like to get involved with. I then pass this on to Leigh Thompson, our Welcome Officer, (pictured) so she can help you connect with the people concerned. Leigh says:

"It's an honour to have been asked to do this role, and I hope to do it well. Like any role to be done properly, I will need your help, so if you notice someone new sitting near you in church, please encourage them to fill in a Welcome Card and either point them in my direction or point me out to them. We want to make everyone feel welcome and important to our St Peters family."

If you've been coming to St Peter's for ages, and you've never had one of these conversations with the Vicar, but would like to, then it's never too late to fill in a Welcome Card or, alternatively, to have a word with Leigh.

Alan Garrow, Vicar of St Peter's



Harrogate School of Theology & Mission

The Very Revd Dr Mark Oakley, Dean of Southwark and formerly Dean of St John's College, Cambridge, speaks on 'The curse of literalism: poetic spirituality and the language of Christians'



This live lecture is at St Mark's Church on Saturday 9th March, starting with 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, cheque (payable to *Harrogate School of Theology & Mission*) or preferably in advance at [Eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.com).

Have you got your ticket for the *Pie and Pea Supper*?

St Peter's *Christian Aid* Team are holding a *Pie and Pea Supper* at Church on Saturday 9th March at 6:30 pm. This is an opportunity to raise funds for the vital work *Christian Aid* does and we warmly invite everyone to join us. The cost will be £5, and we will be selling tickets at the end of each service today. If you need further information or would like a ticket phone Judith Simpson on **01423 564 842**, or email: judiannesimpson@btinternet.com



ST. PETER'S CHURCH HARROGATE
J S Bach
Mass in B minor
Choir of St. Peter's Church
Vocalis
(director Alexander Kyle)
Harrogate Bach Players
(leader Fiona Love)

Eleonore Cockerham	soprano
Heather Lowe	mezzo-soprano
Emma Carrington	alto
James Micklethwaite	tenor
Andrew Greenan	bass
John Longstaff	director

**Wednesday 27th March 2024
at 7:15 pm**

Tickets £18 from Eventbrite (no booking fee) or from St. Peter's Parish Office (cash or cheques only) by calling 07425 161425 or on the door (credit card payments accepted).

Ripon Choral Society
Saturday 16 March 2024, 7.30pm
Ripon Cathedral

**Handel
Solomon**

John Dunford - conductor
Jane Burnell - soprano
Julianne Coates - soprano
William Towers - countertenor
Nick Watts - tenor
Adam Green - bass
Orchestra D'Amici

**Featuring
The Arrival of
the Queen of
Sheba**

Tickets: £25 reserved; £22 unreserved (student concessions £10)
Book online at [riponchoralsociety.org.uk](https://www.riponchoralsociety.org.uk)
• on the door at each concert • in person at Ripon Cathedral Shop
• by email: info@riponchoralsociety.org.uk



Come to *The Market Day Café* next Thursday The *Market Day Café* is on the second Thursday of each month. The next one is next week on Thursday 14th March at 11:30 am after the Holy Communion service. They will be serving hot drinks, homemade soups, fresh sandwiches, scones and delicious cakes!

St Peter's Evening Fellowship

We will be holding our Annual General Meeting on Thursday 7th March at 7:30 pm in the Brostoff Hall, followed by a presentation 'Oman - The Jewel of Arabia' by Bryn and Sue Heapy, following their recent visit to the country.. Members and guests are most welcome. Contact Richard Bion (07966 073 867 or richardbion9@gmail.com) for further details.



The local branch of Amnesty International will be marking International Women's Day in church on Saturday morning, 9th March from 10.00-1.00pm.

There will be the chance to sign letters and petitions on behalf of women worldwide who are abused, silenced and imprisoned for standing up for human rights. We will feature Salma al-Shebab, whose appalling treatment we have been protesting about for some time, whose case was reported by LeedsLive:

"A Leeds University student who returned to Saudi Arabia for a holiday has been jailed for 34 years for having a Twitter account and for following and retweeting dissident activists. Salma al-Shehab, 34, posted tweets calling for women's rights in Saudi Arabia. The tweets led to her being accused of using Twitter to 'cause public unrest and destabilise civil and national security.' The mum-of-two was initially sentenced to six years in jail, but her sentence was increased to 34 years at a Saudi terrorism court after the activist appealed her sentence. She will also face a 34-year travel ban upon her release."

Artist seeks studio

Do you have a warm spare room that you are not using? Somewhere you don't mind getting a little bit mucky?! Would you be interested in lending it to an artist? Shaeron Caton Rose is looking for somewhere to draw, paint and think ideally within walking distance of town. She can pay £20 per month towards electricity and bills if helpful. She will bring plastic sheeting to protect as much as possible! Email her on Shaeron@mac.com



Today's Services: 3rd March 2024

The Third Sunday of Lent

8:30 Holy Communion

9:30 Family Communion

*As it is the first Sunday of the month, there is **no** Sunday Club for school age children today, but all children and their parents are welcome to gather in the café area, where there are toys and activities to share during our Family Communion Service.*

Hymns **1377** Jesus Be the Centre; **384** Make Way; **851** I will offer up my life; **42** Be Thou My Vision

Reading John 2 v 13 - 22

Preacher: Catharine Davies

11:00 Choral Communion

Setting Oldroyd (Mass of the Quiet Hour)

Hymns 475 (omit *verse), 515, 380 (omit *verse), 455

Readings 1 Corinthians 1 v 18 - 25

John 2 v 13 - 22

Anthem Panis Angelicus (*Franck*)

Preacher: Hannah Beck

Our Duty Wardens today are:

Roy Taylor and

Rachel Fell

4:15 pm Stepping Stones Service *Celtic Worship*

Preacher: Sarah Martin

6:30 Choral Evensong by candlelight

Setting Gibbons (Short Service)

Hymns 477, 532, 96

Psalms 11, 12

Readings Exodus 5 v 1 – 6 v 1

Philippians 3 v 4b - 14

Anthem Cast me not away from thy presence
(S S Wesley)

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, Graham Cornish, Jane Crabtree, Peter Dickinson, Tony Edwards, Louise Emrullahu, June Hemmings, Trevor Hughes, Jackie Kelly, Jane Lishman, Rachel Looby, Derek Mansfield, Steve Martin, Kim Okell, Sheila Pantin, Matthew Pindell, Richard Sadler and Michelle Simon.

RIP Vincent Rooney

Also in our prayers this week:

Mon	Support & teaching staff in schools The Toddler Group at St Peter's
Tues	The Sit-n-Knit group St Peter's Welcomers Team
Wed	Local retail, hospitality and leisure businesses All the charity shops in our town
Thurs	All the staff at Harrogate Hospital Hospital Chaplaincy Teams
Fri	On <i>International Women's Day</i> those inspiring others to understand and value women's inclusion The countries where women and girls are denied an education
Sat	Karin Shaw and Steve Gibbin, our curates Harrogate School of Theology & Mission

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 5 Genesis 47 v 1 - 27 Hebrews 4 v 14 – 5 v 10
Tues	Psalm 9 Genesis 47 v 28 – 48 to end Hebrews 5 v 11 – 6 v 12
Wed	Psalm 38 Genesis 49 v 1 - 32 Hebrews 6 v 13 to end
Thurs	<i>Perpetua, Felicity and their Companions, Martyrs at Carthage, 203</i> Psalm 56 Genesis 49 v 33 – 50 to end Hebrews 7 v 1 - 10
Fri	<i>Edward King, Bishop of Lincoln, 1910</i> Psalm 88 Exodus 1 v 1 - 14 Hebrews 7 v 11 to end
Sat	Psalm 97 Exodus 1 v 22 – 2 v 10 Hebrews 8

The Collect for the Third Sunday of Lent (Common Worship)

Eternal God, give us insight to discern your will for us, to give up what harms us, and to seek the perfection we are promised in Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Collect for the Third Sunday in Lent (Book of Common Prayer)

We beseech thee, Almighty God, look upon the hearty desires of thy humble servants, and stretch forth the right hand of thy Majesty, to be our defence against all our enemies; 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.

- Mon 4th** 11:00 am – 1:00 pm *Sit-n-Knit* in Church
1:30 – 3:00 pm The *Thinking about God* group in the Undercroft
2:00 pm The U3A Singing Folk group
6:30 – 9:00 pm *The Bereavement Journey* – Session 4
- Tues 5th** **12:00 – 12:30 pm Healing Service**
1:30 – 3:00 pm *Digital Drop-in* with Alyson in Church
- Wed 6th** **10:30 – 11:00 am Café RefleXions**
1:30 – 3:00 pm Harrogate Wellbeing Choir
7:30 pm Harrogate Harmony Men's Chorus
- Thurs 7th** 9:30 – 11:00 am The Toddler Group at St Peter's
9:30 – 11:00 am HAPPINESS LAB in the Undercroft 3: *Learning to forgive*
11:00 am Holy Communion
7:30 pm St Peter's Choir Practice
7:30 pm *St Peter's Evening Fellowship* are holding their AGM
- Fri 8th** ***International Women's Day***
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 9th** 6:30 pm 'Pea and Pie Supper' raising funds for *Christian Aid*
- Sun 10th** ***The Fourth Sunday of Lent***
Mothering Sunday
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 going out to play Padel Tennis

Next Sunday 10th March

Mothering Sunday

- 8:30 Holy Communion
9:30 Family Communion
11:00 Choral Matins
4:15 Stepping Stones Service
– *Holy Communion*
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.

Well done to everyone involved in the St Peter's Refreshment Day on Saturday 24th February - £670 was raised for Church funds. The book sale held on the same day raised £574. Thank you for all your hard work!

Friday 8th March is International Women's Day – *Inspire Inclusion*



International Women's Day (IWD) provides an important opportunity to educate and inspire children about gender equality. The World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts (WAGGGS) has been involved with IWD since 2007. As the largest voluntary movement dedicated to educating and empowering girls and young women in the world, the work that WAGGGS does globally really resonates with the IWD 2024 **#InspireInclusion** campaign theme.

The IWD + WAGGGS collaboration provides a range of useful education resources for use by teachers, parents, and caregivers. These educational resources provide a wide range of step-by-step activities to bust stereotypes, explore human rights, and spotlight issues that impact women and girls. The Activity Pack materials are aimed at children aged: 6 – 11 years, 12 – 15 years and 15+ years. Download them for free from <https://www.internationalwomensday.com/Missions/18737/InspireInclusion-Download-IWD-resources-educating-about-women-s-rights>.

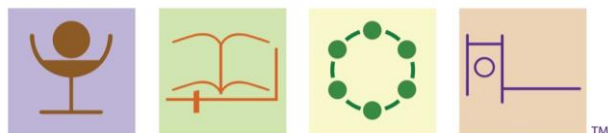


A poster for 'The Springtime of the Year' concert. It features cherry blossoms and a butterfly. The text includes 'The Springtime of the Year', 'including music by Britten, Holst, Stanford and Vaughan Williams', 'vocalis', 'conducted by Alexander Kyle', 'All Saints Church, Kirkby Overblow HG3 1HD', 'Saturday 16th March 2024, 7.30pm', 'Adults £12, Students £6', 'Under 19s and essential companions or carers free', 'Interval refreshments available', 'Tickets available online at www.harrogatevocalis.org.uk or scan the QR code', 'www.harrogatevocalis.org.uk', and 'Vocalis is a registered charity number 1000469'.

Refreshments are served after each of our Sunday morning services from the kitchen area at the front of Church. Please come and join us.



Join the Parish Giving Scheme

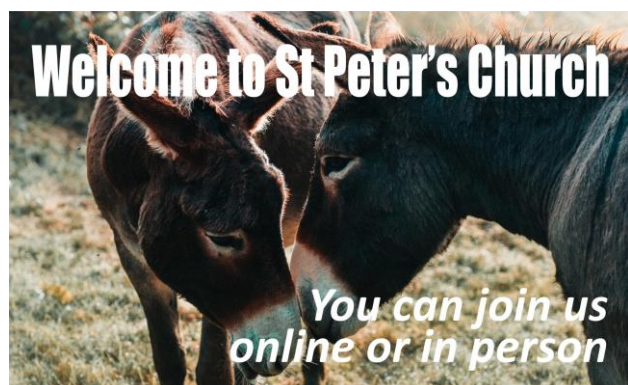


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If you would like to support St Peter's financially, the simplest and most tax efficient way to do so is via the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS). You can join using their website www.parishgiving.org.uk or give them a call on 0333 002 1260. St Peter's PGS number is: **460646304**

Next Week's Deadline

The deadline for the next edition of the Weekly News (10th March) will be noon on Wednesday 6th March. 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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