

Weekly News

9th January 2022

The First Sunday of Epiphany www.stpetersharrogate.org.uk

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

You are invited to explore faith, life and Jesus with Alpha



You're invited.

#TryAlpha



Coming soon to St Peter's!

The Alpha Youth Series

The Alpha Youth Series is an interactive set of thirteen sessions designed especially for young people of secondary school age. Each week we will share some food, watch a talk and discuss the questions in small groups. Please speak to our Curate, Chris Clayton to find out more (07407 258733 or chris.clayton@leeds.anglican.org)

You are invited to Alpha for a time of great food, even better converstaion and talks that make you think.

Alpha is a series of sessions for adults exploring the Christian faith, typically run over eleven weeks. Each talk looks at a different question around faith and is designed to create conversation. Alpha is run all around the globe, and everyone is welcome.

At St Peter's the next Alpha starts on Wednesday 19th January from 6:00 – 8:30 pm. Please speak to Sarah Martin (07913 259490 or <u>sarah@makeadifference.co.uk</u>) if you would like to know more or to book a place.

If you come along and decide it's not for you we won't call you afterwards, write, or ask you to pick up the bill – so what have you got to lose?



Harrogate School of Theology & Mission

The Rt Revd Toby Howarth, Bishop of Bradford, speaks about Working with Yorkshire's Muslim Communities



The first lecture of the new year is at St Mark's Church on Saturday 29^{th} January 2022, starting with a continental breakfast served from 9:30 am, then the lecture from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm.

Christians working with Muslims (and vice versa) face particular joys and challenges, not least in our global and national context in which Muslims are often spoken of negatively in the press, on social media and by politicians. Reflecting on his experience in Bradford and more widely, Bishop Toby will share some biblical and other theological

resources that he has picked up along the way, including ways in which these friendships and other engagements have enriched his own faith.

To attend in person costs £8 including breakfast and refreshments – please pay on the day by contactless card or preferably via Eventbrite (you can also book the Zoom live-stream there at £5 per person). Full details at hstm.org.uk.

Ventures Holiday Ripon is BACK in 2022 ... YEAH!!

Ripon is life changing! Whether you're loud or quiet, sporty or not, there will be something for you: swimming, gorge walking, via ferrata, arts, book club, loads more, AND we meet with God through



inspiring worship, relevant talks and space to ask the questions that matter. No tents here, as it's based at Ripon Grammar School - so nice, warm rooms with lots of space and plenty of bathrooms. This year it runs from 30th July to 6th August 2022 and **booking is now open** at https://www.ventures.org.uk/holiday/ripon-2022. Sam and Chris Clayton will be there as leaders and really hope you will join them!

Men's Breakfast at St Peter's: Saturday 15th January 2022



Beginning with Morning Prayers at 8:00 am for those who wish to take part, and breakfast from 8:30 to 9:00 am, followed by an informal discussion session in The Gallery for perhaps 30 minutes or so. Please text Bryn Heapy on 07561 889076 if you are planning to come or email him brynsusie@hotmail.com.

Holocaust Memorial 2022

Our annual Holocaust Memorial Service commemorating the Holocaust and praying for peace among people of all nations and faiths will take place at St Peter's Church on **Sunday 30**th **January** at **11:00 am**, when members of the local



Jewish community have been invited join us. The theme this year is *One Day*. In previous years the members of St Peter's Church have been invited to a service at the Synagogue in St Mary's Walk, which was due to take place this year on Saturday 22nd January. Unfortunately this service has been cancelled to ensure the safety of the congregation and invited guests.

St Peter's Church Fundraising Refreshment Day!



There is a St Peter's Fundraising Refreshment Day to raise funds for our Church on **Saturday 22**nd **January** from **10:30 am until 3:00 pm**. If you are available to help in any way - perhaps serve, clear tables or wash-up on the day - or bake a cake, some scones or biscuits in advance – then please speak to Sian Lockwood (*07889 616755*) or Catherine Medforth (*07876 653765*). If you are in town on that Saturday, please come and support this fundraising event in Church.

Ripon Cathedral is celebrating 1,350 years in 2022!

Ripon Cathedral is about to embark on an incredible milestone, celebrating 1,350 years since its founding by St Wilfrid in 672AD. The Anglo-Saxon Crypt is all that remains of Wilfrid's original church, but this remarkable, small space is now the oldest built fabric of an English Cathedral still used as a place of prayer and worship.



Highlights will include a Festival Weekend over the May Bank Holiday; talks by famous authors; an art exhibition; several concerts; the St Wilfrid's Parade Day on 30th July; and a banquet in October. Details will be on the Cathedral's website www.riponcathedral.org.uk over the coming weeks!

Today's Services: 9th January 2022

The First Sunday of Epiphany The Baptism of Christ Plough Sunday

8:30 Holy Communion

9:30 Family Communion with the Baptism of Thomas Henry Moseley 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 1541 There is a higher throne; 1630 Wonderful grace; 1188

Befriended; 1229 Father, hear the prayer we offer

Our Duty Wardens today are:

Rachel Fell and

Paul Medforth

Reading Luke 3 v 15 – 17 and v 21 - 22

Preacher: Alan Garrow

11:00 Choral Communion

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Hymns 85, 335, 91, 83

Readings Isaiah 43 v 1 - 7

Luke 3 v 15 – 17 and v 21 - 22

Anthem From the rising of the sun (*Ouseley*)

Preacher: Hannah Beck

4:15 pm Stepping Stones Service Holy Communion Baptism of Christ

Preacher: Sam Clayton

6:30 Choral Evensong

Setting Carolus Andreas (fauxbourdons)

Hymns 84, 487, 86 (omit *verse)

Psalm 47

Readings Isaiah 55 v 1 - 11

Romans 6 v 1 - 11

Anthem The three Kings (*Peter Cornelius*)

Preacher: Alan Garrow

This week's worship online

We are continuing to live stream the following services on Facebook and Zoom: 9:30 am Family Communion on Sundays (also available on *St Peter's YouTube channel* to watch later); and Morning and Evening Prayer at 8:00 am and 5:00 pm from Monday to Saturday. To join in follow the links on our website.

Please pray for those who have asked for our prayers:

Pat Anderson, Ruth Bowes, Judith Cantlow, Graham Cornish, Geni Emrullahu, Louise Emrullahu, Pam Gardiner, Vicky Harrison, June Hemmings, Jackie Kelly, Charlie Martineau and Sheila Pantin.

Also in our prayers this week:

Mon Schools dealing with high staff

absences due to COVID 19

Pupils facing the challenges of mask wearing and repeated self-

testing

Tues Those struggling to self-isolate

St Peter's Pastoral Support Team

Wed Poultry farmers trying to protect

their birds from avian flu

All who work on the land as the

new agricultural year begins

Thurs Hospitals struggling with high

numbers of staff absences as well

as the usual winter pressures

Those now unable to visit their

loved ones in hospital

Fri National and local government

Sir Patrick Vallance, Chief Scientific

Adviser

Sat Men's Breakfast at St Peter's

All those suffering from anxiety

and depression

The Collect for the First Sunday of Epiphany (Common Worship) Heavenly Father, at the Jordan you revealed Jesus as your Son: may we recognize him as our Lord and know ourselves to be your beloved children; through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Daily Readings

Morning Prayer is at 8:00 am and Evening Prayer at 5:00 pm daily. These are the Bible readings we will be using in Church each morning this week. Why not read them at home if you are unable to come to the service?

Mon William Laud, Archbishop of

Canterbury, 1645

Psalm 89 v 19 - 29

Genesis 1 v 1 - 19

Matthew 21 v 1 - 17

Tues *Mary Slessor, Missionary in*

West Africa, 1915

Psalm 9

Genesis 1 v 20 – 2 v 3

Matthew 21 v 18 - 32

Wed Aelred of Hexham, Abbot

of Rievaulx, 1167

Psalm 20

Genesis 2 v 4 to end

Matthew 21 v 33 to end

Thurs Hilary, Bishop of Poitiers,

Teacher, 367

Psalm 21

Genesis 3

Matthew 22 v 1 - 14

Fri Psalm 67

Genesis 4 v 1 – 16 and

v 25 - 26

Matthew 22 v 15 - 33

Sat Psalm 33

Genesis 6 v 1 - 10

The Collect for the First Sunday after Epiphany (Book of Common Prayer)

O Lord, we beseech thee mercifully to receive the prayers of thy people which call upon thee; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

What's on This Week

St Peter's Church is open for private prayer from 11:00 am — 1:00 pm every day except Sundays.

Mon 10th 2:00 pm The U3A Singing Folk group

6:00 pm AA meeting in the Music Room

Tues 11th 12:00 – 12:30 pm Healing Service

Wed 12th 10:30 – 11:00 am Café RefleXions

7:30 pm Harrogate Harmony Men's Chorus

Thurs 13th 9:30 – 11:00 am Toddler Group

11:00 am Holy Communion

7:30 pm St Peter's Choir Practice

Fri 14th 9:30 am AA meeting in the Music Room

Sat 15th 8:00 am Men's Breakfast at St Peter's

Sun 16th The Second Sunday of Epiphany

1:00 – 1:30 pm Sunday Lunch

5:30 – 7:00 pm **Sanctuary**, our Youth group, are holding a Kahoot Quiz Night in the Brostoff Hall. Please bring a mobile device, so we can all enjoy this fun, alternative quiz hosted by

our Junior Leader Alexander Clayton.

Next Sunday 16th January

The Second Sunday of Epiphany

8:30 Holy Communion

9:30 Family Communion

11:00 Choral Matins

4:15 Stepping Stones Service

– Crafternoon Church

6:30 Choral Evensong

The Breakfast Club provides a free, hot breakfast from Monday to Saturday (8:20 – 8:45 am) for all those who are hungry or in need.

A hot **Sunday Lunch** is served from 1:00 – 1:30 pm.

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.

Could you take on the *Thirst for Life* challenge?



This January, challenge yourself to drink only water and stand with our global neighbours who are struggling for water due to the climate crisis. No coffee, no alcohol, no juice - by taking on the challenge to drink only water and raising sponsorship, your new year's challenge will refresh you and communities throughout the world. You choose your challenge - two weeks or the whole month.

Sign up now to <u>Thirst for Life</u> this January and bring water to all or visit <u>www.christianaid.org.uk/</u>to find out more.

Leeds Diocesan Eco Book Group

The current scientific opinion is that human activity is damaging our planet's ability to support life. Many people would like the opportunity to talk through these issues, to explore and discuss and share fears and hopes for the future. Through reading together, we can provide that space and opportunity to talk together about the environmental crisis through the themes and topics of the books we read and discuss.

Our Book Club meets once a month online by Zoom. We choose both fiction and non-fiction books, both accounts and personal stories, and touch on themes of wide concern:



air pollution, over-population, deforestation, urban heat sinks and sustainable green cities, organic farming, rural life and isolation, coastal erosion and ocean acidification. We hope our programmes gradually offer a fuller picture, problems fall into place and a sense of fellowship emerges.

The next meeting is on Tuesday 18th January from 10:00 to 11:30 am, when we will be discussing *Unlocking Sustainable Cities: A manifesto for change by Paul Chatterton (2019)*. You can find out more about this book by visiting http://www.unlockingsustainablecities.org/. In February we meet on Tuesday 15th and the book is *The Future We Choose: The stubborn optimist's guide to the climate crisis by Christiana Figueres and Tom Rivett-Carnac (2020)*.

Please register your interest with Christine Jack through the form on the Leeds Diocese Digital Learning Platform https://learning.leeds.anglican.org/course/eco-book-group/ and the Zoom link will be emailed to members before each meeting.

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 is continuing to give out food *every day* to those in need. Please, when you do your shopping this week, remember to pick up an extra few tins or some toiletries to bring to Church next week to put in the hamper. Thank you!





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 (16th January) will be noon on Wednesday 12th January. Please send any items (including photos) to Alan Garrow **or** to Marian Chambers (addresses below).

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