

# **Weekly News**

29<sup>th</sup> July 2018

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# Time to talk about a sabbatical

A sabbatical isn't a holiday but my one did end with a tour of Wales, culminating in a special family event and arriving home late yesterday. I'm back at St Peter's for seven weeks, but what, you may ask, have I been up to over the past three months? We have spent more time with family in London and East Anglia, joined a week at Scargill House for those seeking to discover God's guidance in times of life change, continued with ongoing responsibilities in Harrogate and beyond, and also soaked up a lot of sun on the way.

The focus of my sabbatical has been researching how best the church as a whole might partner with its retired clergy in the years to come, given the impending reduction in full time clergy. This has involved interviewing people in various parts of the country with special



responsibilities at diocesan level, but also undertaking a local case study in the Dales. It has been fascinating to bring together insights from those who have strategic responsibilities, with the experience of Christian leaders at ground level, where clergy cuts may have a profound effect on the sustainability of many church communities. My findings will be wrapped up in a 7,000 word report to be sent to Bishop Nick and others.

Christians at many levels are responding creatively and energetically to the missional challenges which lay before them. In dealing with cuts in clergy numbers, the Holy Spirit seems to be steering the people of God to work together in new ways which actually seem to reflect his character and calling better than the old. If we keep faithful to Christ then this could be a springtime for the church in our nation.

## Could you spot the signs of modern slavery?



Tomorrow three anti-slavery campaigners, including William Wilberforce, are celebrated in the Anglican Calendar. More than 200 years after the abolition of slavery there are still an estimated 45.3 million trapped in modern slavery, up to 12,000 potential victims in the UK alone. The Clewer Initiative forms part of the Church of England's drive to eradicate modern slavery. A key part of this initiative is providing THE CLEWER resources that help raise awareness of modern slavery in the

INITIATIVE local church through a website: www.theclewerinitiative.org. There you can learn how to spot the signs of modern slavery, what to do if you encounter it and how you can report it. As is often said: the only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is for good men to do nothing.

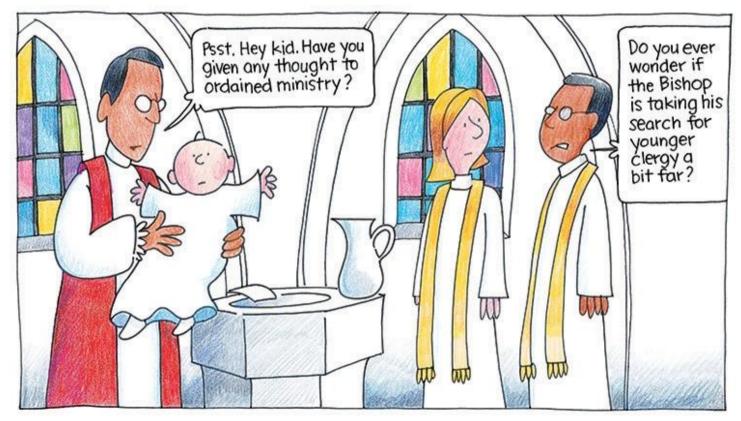
## Say it with Flowers

Why not mark a special occasion, such as an anniversary or birthday, by making a donation towards the flowers in The St Peter's Flower Team will make an Church? arrangement on the pedestal to the left of the altar and you will also receive a mention in the Weekly News. Please speak to Sue Heapy for further details (07540 355305).



#### Summer Breaks

Some of our groups and organisations, like St Peter's Sunday Club, are taking a break for the Summer. Our Choir will continue to sing at services on Sundays, but there will be no choir practise on Thursday evenings. There will be no further Lunchtime Reflexions for now, but they will all no doubt be back in September.

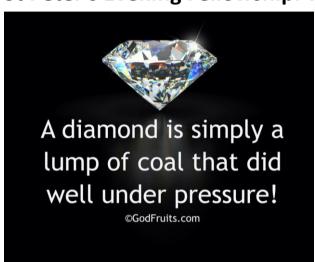


#### Welcome back to St Peter's, Tim!

Our Associate Vicar, Tim Hurren, who has been on a three month sabbatical, returns to St Peter's today. He will be providing clergy cover for the rest of the Summer until he retires in September. To mark Tim's retirement from St Peter's Church after almost 20 years service, and, of course, to say farewell, there will be a Parish Lunch on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> September. Further details nearer the time.



### St Peter's Evening Fellowship: The Story of Diamonds



The next meeting of St Peter's Evening Fellowship is this week, on 2<sup>nd</sup> August, in the Brostoff Hall starting at 7:30 pm. We welcome back Robert Bolton, a jewellery expert; some of you may recall his interesting talk on pearls last year. Most diamonds were formed by high temperatures and pressure under the Earth's crust probably between 1 and 3 billion years ago. Come on Thursday to find out more about this fascinating subject!

## Well done everyone – a staggering amount was raised!

At the St Peter's Fundraising Refreshment Day held on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> July a total of £628 was raised for our Church. **Thank you** to all who made it such a great success!



# VIA NOVA vocal ensemble

VESPERS: there is a light

A Come and Sing Workshop

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> August, 12:00 – 6:30 pm

St Peter's Church, Harrogate

All culminating in an informal concert at 5:30 pm with a unique opportunity to explore a rarely-heard masterpiece based around Tchaikovsky's iconic Vespers.

This promises to be an inspiring and enjoyable day of shared music-making that is not to be missed and is a free event for all to enjoy. Refreshments served 11:00 am – 3:00 pm by Harrogate Rotary Brigantes.





www.vianovaensemble.co.uk

# **Today's Services: 29th July 2018**

#### The Ninth Sunday after Trinity

8:30 Holy Communion

#### 9:30 Family Communion

Sunday Club is closed for the Summer, but children and their parents are welcome to gather in the café area, where there are toys and activities to share during the service.

Hymns 40, 26, 148, 183
Readings John 6 v 1 - 21
Preacher: Alan Garrow

11:00 Choral Matins

Setting Boyce in C (*Te Deum*) Hymns 6, 489, 424 (omit\*)

Psalm 75

**Readings** Song of Solomon 2

1 Peter 4 v 7 - 14

**Anthem** Brother James's Air (*Jacob*)

**Preacher:** Tim Hurren

**4:30 Afternoon Church** Service of the Word *Refreshments from 4.15* 

Hymns: 728, 329, 315
Preacher: Hannah Beck

6:30 Said Evensong

Please note: there is no choir or organist at the service this evening

Psalm 74

**Readings** Job 19 v 1 – 27a

Luke 11 v 1 - 13

**Preacher:** Sue Pearce



At the 9:30 Service we offer prayer with laying on of hands. If you would like this ministry, please come up to receive the bread and wine (or a blessing) in St Mary's Chapel and wait behind in the pews there.

**Our Duty Wardens today are:** 

Paul Medforth

and Richard Bion

# Please pray for those who have asked for our prayers:

Sue Abbott, Tim Akers, Rosemary
Almond, Brian Crabtree, Louise
Emrullahu, Pam Gardiner, Gill Gibson,
Peggy Harris, Vicky Harrison, Sue Heapy,
David Hipkin, Edna Hodgkiss, Caroline
Kelly, Peggy Palmer, Doreen Rhodes, Alan
Richardson, Frances Roxby-Proud, Colin
Sinclair and Linda Ware.

#### Also in our prayers this week:

**Mon** The Weekly News Editorial Team

All those whose lives are affected

by the heat wave in Japan

**Tues** St Peter's Animal Welfare Group

The victims of the Greek wildfires

Wed St Peter's Café RefleXions

Harrogate Churches Together

**Thurs** St Peter's Home Communion

Team

Sian Lockwood, Churchwarden

**Fri** St Peter's Teaching & Learning

Task Group

Craft Aid International, giving opportunities to people with

disabilities in the UK and overseas

**Sat** Hannah Beck, Lay Reader

The Wesley Centre, Methodist Church and community centre

#### **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 Wilberforce, social

reformer Olaudah Equiano & Thomas Clarkson, antislavery campaigners

Psalm 44

1 Samuel 19 v 1 - 18

Acts 1 v 1 - 14

**Tues** Psalm 48

1 Samuel 20 v 1 - 17 Acts 1 v 15 to end

**Wed** Psalm 119 v 57 - 80

1 Samuel 20 v 18 to end

Acts 2 v 1 - 21

**Thurs** Psalm 57

1 Samuel 21 v 1 – 22 v 5

Acts 2 v 22 - 36

Fri Psalm 51

1 Samuel 22 v 6 to end

Acts 2 v 37 to end

Sat Psalm 68

1 Samuel 23

Acts 3 v 1 - 10

#### The Collect for the Ninth Sunday after Trinity

Almighty God, who sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church: open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love and joy and peace;

through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

#### or

Gracious Father, revive your Church in our day, and make her holy, strong and faithful, for your glory's sake in Jesus Christ our Lord.

# What's on This Week

Morning Prayer is at 8:00 am and Evening Prayer at 5:00 pm daily

Mon 30<sup>th</sup> 11:30 am Community Café

**Tues 31<sup>st</sup>** 12:30 pm Healing Service

Wed 1<sup>st</sup> Yorkshire Day

10:30 am Café RefleXion

**Thurs 2<sup>nd</sup>** 9:30 am Parent and Toddler Group

11:00 am Holy Communion

2:00 pm St Peter's Handbell Ringers at Wesley Chapel

**NO** Choir Practice

7:30 pm St Peter's Evening Fellowship – The Story of Diamonds

Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> 9:30 am AA Meeting

10:00 am St Peter's Cleaning Team

7:00 pm Bell Ringers

Sat 4<sup>th</sup> 11:00 am – 3:00 pm Harrogate Rotary Brigantes are serving

refreshments in Church

12:00 – 6:30 pm A Come and Sing Workshop with VIA NOVA

vocal ensemble - free event

# The Fairtrade Shop at St Peter's

We're always looking for more volunteers to join our friendly team at Harrogate Fair Trade Shop. If you're enthusiastic about fair trade and have a couple of hours to spare once a week or once a fortnight we'd love to hear from you. Contact the manager, Vicky, on *harrogatefairtradeshop@hotmail.com* or *07763 773157* and join us in helping to make the world a better place.

	Next Sullday 5 August	
The Tenth Sunday after Trinit		Sunday after Trinity
	8:30	<b>Holy Communion</b>
	9:30	Family Communion
	11:00	<b>Choral Communion</b>
	4:30	Afternoon Church –
		Holy Communion
	6:30	Choral Evensong

Next Sunday Eth August

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 at the Wesley Centre each week at 1:00 pm, except for the third Sunday of the month when it is here at St Peter's.

Food parcels are available daily from 4:45 pm, except for Sundays, when it's 5:30 pm.

## **Inspire 2018: New Wine event for the North!**



An opportunity for churches from the North and East of England to get together for a weekend of great teaching, worship, youth and children's work and general fun and frivolity. Buy a full conference ticket (adult £105, child £50) for **Inspire 2018** and you get to camp in this beautiful part of North Yorkshire or you can just come for the day (adult £30, child £18) - all taking place at Hollybush Christian Fellowship, Newsham, near Thirsk from 17<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> August. Full details of this event at www.new-wine.org/events/inspire-2018.

# NHS 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Service at Ripon Cathedral TODAY

A special service of thanksgiving to celebrate the 70th Anniversary of the NHS and to give thanks for its continued work and development is being held at Ripon Cathedral today Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> July at 3:30 pm. All welcome including those who work for the NHS; the service will be led by the Rt Revd Nicholas Baines, Bishop of Leeds.



# St Wilfrid's Procession is on Saturday 4th August

This year the Procession passes through Ripon's Market Square at 2:00 pm and finishes at the Cathedral for a service of celebration at 4:30 pm. Look out for those Wilfra Cakes!

## Come and Celebrate

# Yorkshire Day

# on August 1st in Ripon

10:00 - 11:00 am Procession of Yorkshire's Mayors to the Cathedral for a service of thanksgiving

10:00 am - 4:00 pm - Entertainments and market stalls in the Market Square

6:00 - 9:00 pm - Picnic in t'Park in the Dean's Garden with live music from Jaspa

Find out more at www.discoverripon.org





# Family Activity Days at Ripon Cathedral

Thursdays 2<sup>nd</sup> 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> August & Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> August from 10am – 3pm

## Beauty ~ Wonder ~ Living Tradition

- Come to 'story time'
- Drop in to the craft activities
- Follow the trail around the Cathedral



All Welcome!

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 gives out food parcels *every* day to those in need. Please, when you do your shopping this week, remember to pick up something extra - toiletries, tinned food or a box of breakfast cereals - to bring to Church next Sunday to put in the hamper.

# Green Your Life eco tip of the week

July – your electrical appliances
Electrical gadgets are great, but the
environmental impact of
manufacturing them and disposing
of them at the end of their life is
high. Think before you buy more
gadgets.



**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 (5<sup>th</sup> August) will be noon on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> August. Please send any items (including photos) to Marian Chambers:

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