



Weekly News

21st April 2019

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The painting that saved a village



If the communal meeting hall in the Italian village of Sansepolcro had not been graced by Piero della Francesca's fresco painting *Resurrection*, then the whole village would most likely have been destroyed. The British Army were advancing through Italy in the latter stages of World War II. Artillery officer Tony Clarke was ordered to shell the town – but Clarke held back. He had read Aldous Huxley's 1925 essay describing the *Resurrection*, which states: "It stands there before us in entire and actual splendour, the greatest picture in the

world." Clarke's diary records his shock at the destruction in Monte Cassino and, remembering what he had read of Sansepolcro, he ordered his men to hold fire just as methodical shelling had begun. It was later ascertained that the Germans had already retreated from the area — the bombardment had not been necessary, though Clarke had not known this at the time. The town, along with its famous painting, was saved.

At Easter we celebrate God's intervention to reverse our seemingly inescapable journey to destruction. God sees in us a masterpiece – something worth risking everything to save. Allelujah, Christ is risen! He is risen indeed, Hallelujah!

Alan Garrow, *Vicar of St Peter's Church*

Fundraising Refreshment Day

There is a St Peter's Fundraising Refreshment Day to raise funds for our Church on Saturday 11th May from 10:00 am until 4:00 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 Barbara Agar (07951 900514) or Louise Knight (07764 493475). Please come and support this fundraising event in Church. Thank you so much!

HG1000 Campaign - both targets reached!



In 2014 a group of churches in Harrogate launched the HG1000 campaign with the aim of releasing 1,000 children from poverty through child sponsorship and to provide 1,000 families in the developing world with clean, safe drinking water. In 2017 one thousand water filters had been funded thanks to the generosity of local people. Alan has now received great news from Clare Nelson, the Regional Partnerships Manager of Compassion UK in the North of England:

I wanted to let you know that we found our 1000th sponsor for the HG1000 campaign at Hope Church this morning. That's 1000 children given hope for the future, completely different lives, just by people in this area.

St Peter's have played a big part in the campaign, raising money to fund the 1000 water filters (achieved 2 years ago) and sponsoring many children.

A really great community achievement and great example of what God's people can do when we work together. Thank you for all your support.

If you would like to sponsor a child through Compassion UK, contact Clare on 07771 532999 or visit www.compassionuk.org.

Sanctuary meets every week now - at a new time!

Our youth group, Sanctuary, will be meeting from **6:00 – 7:30 pm** from now on. Our next meeting is on Sunday 28th April and then we will be meeting **every Sunday** during term-time. There's PS4, table football, a chill out area, music and food! If you would like to come just speak to our curate, Chris Clayton (chris.clayton@leeds.anglican.org).

Would you like a trip into the country to take tea at Norton Conyers?

On Sunday 12th May the local branch of Amnesty International are serving a fundraising afternoon tea in the Orangery at Norton Conyers. They have arranged a Happy Wanderers minibus to take anyone without a car there – it holds one person in a wheelchair and there is room for a couple of folding wheelchairs too. It will leave St Peter's Church at 1:30 pm. The entry into the garden is £6 and we would ask for a donation towards the cost of the minibus. Please contact Judith Simpson on 01423 564842 to book your place on the minibus before 6th May.



Sunday Lunch Club Meets Today!

It is open to everyone and there's no need to book or bring anything – although donations towards the cost will, of course, be very welcome! Lunch today will be served at 1:00 pm. Please speak to Hannah Beck (07503 186455) or Yvonne Dawes (07960 779381) if you need to know more.

St Peter's Ladies who Lunch

The Ladies who Lunch are meeting again this Wednesday 24th April at 12:30 pm at the Palm Court Café at the bottom of Montpellier Hill. If you are interested in joining us for food and fellowship, then please contact Sue Heapy to book your place at our table (07540 355 305) or brynsusie@hotmail.com.



The Knitter's Yarn Community Knitting Group



THE KNITTER'S YARN needles and yarn. Anyone wishing to learn to knit will be welcome as there will be someone on hand to help get you started. The cost of £2.50 includes tea, coffee and biscuits.

A social knitting group has started at St Peter's to knit much needed items for various charities. The next meeting is on Monday 29th April from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm in the Brostoff Hall. Please bring your own

A walk around Studley Royal Deer Park



Studley Royal deer park is home to over 500 wild Red, Fallow and Sika deer. Mike Bevington, a National Trust Guide, is the guest speaker at the next meeting of St Peter's Evening Fellowship on Thursday 2nd May at 7:30 pm in the Brostoff Hall. *A walk around Studley Royal deer park* completes his trilogy of presentations relating to Fountains Abbey.

Confirmation – a Service of Celebration at Ripon Cathedral

The Bishop of Ripon has arranged a special service in Ripon Cathedral for those confirmed during 2018 to celebrate their confirmation. She would also like to include those who are being confirmed early this year (before Easter 2019). This event will take place on Saturday 11th May at 2:30 pm and the Dean has offered the use of his garden for a bring-your-own picnic afterwards. Please speak to Alan Garrow before the end of April, if you would like to go.



Today's Services: 21st April 2019

Easter Day

8:30 Holy Communion

9:30 Family Communion

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 6, 322, 32, 480

Readings John 20 v 1 - 18

Preacher: Chris Clayton

11:00 Choral Communion

Setting Jackson in G

Hymns 147, 153, 137, 160

Readings Colossians 3 v 1 - 7

John 20 v 1 - 18

Anthem Blessed be the God and Father (S S Wesley)

Preacher: Alan Garrow

4:15 Afternoon Church Holy Communion

Hymns: 6, 200, 73

Preacher: Chris Clayton

6:30 Choral Evensong

Setting Stanford in C

Hymns 143, 157, 145

Psalm 66

Readings Isaiah 65 v 17 to end

John 20 v 1 - 18

Anthem Ye choirs of new Jerusalem (Stanford)

Preacher: Sue Pearce



Our Duty Wardens today are:

Oliver Longstaff
and Ian Birt



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.

Please pray for those who have asked for our prayers:

Tim Akers, Jane and Brian Crabtree, Louise Emrullahu, Pam Gardiner, Gill Gibson, Vicky Harrison, Edna Hodgkiss, Sian Lockwood, Peter Norbury, Peggy Palmer, Alan Richardson, Frances Roxby-Proud, Colin Sinclair and Keith Ward.

Also in our prayers this week:

- Mon** Carole Raw, Parish Administrator
All who use *The Space @ St Peter's*
- Tues** Those who live in danger of violence, persecution and oppression
Amnesty International, standing up for human rights
- Wed** St Peter's Home Communion Team
The people of Paris and all who grieve the destructive fire at Notre Dame
- Thurs** The Fairtrade Shop at St Peter's
Neema Crafts, transforming the lives of people with disabilities in Tanzania
- Fri** Those who are close to death
St Michael's Hospice
- Sat** Those who have lost hope
The Samaritans

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** Psalm 111
Song of Solomon 1 v 9 – 2 v 7
Mark 16 v 1 - 8
- Tues** Psalm 112
Song of Solomon 2 v 8 to end
Luke 24 v 1 - 12
- Wed** Psalm 113
Song of Solomon 3
Matthew 28 v 16 to end
- Thurs** Psalm 114
Song of Solomon 5 v 2 – 6 v 3
Luke 7 v 11 - 17
- Fri** Psalm 115
Song of Solomon 7 v 10 – 8 v 4
Luke 8 v 41 to end
- Sat** Psalm 116
Song of Solomon 8 v 5 - 7
John 11 v 17 - 44

The Collect for Easter Sunday

Lord of all life and power, who through the mighty resurrection of your Son overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him: grant that we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, may reign with him in glory; to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be praise and honour, glory and might, now and in all eternity.

or

God of glory, by the raising of your Son you have broken the chains of death and hell: fill your Church with faith and hope; for a new day has dawned and the way to life stands open in our Saviour Jesus Christ.

What's on This Week

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

- Mon 22nd** ***Easter Monday Bank Holiday***
- Tues 23rd** 12:30 pm Healing Service
- Wed 24th** 10:30 am Café RefleXion
12:30 pm St Peter's **Ladies who Lunch** are meeting in the Palm Court Café
7:00 pm Pilgrim course: **The Lord's Prayer** at Fiona Weare's
- Thurs 25th** 9:30 am St Peter's Parent and Toddler Group
11:00 am Holy Communion
2:00 pm St Peter's Handbell Ringers at Wesley Chapel
NO Choir Practice
- Fri 26th** 9:30 am AA Meeting
10:00 am St Peter's Cleaning Team
7:00 pm Bell Ringers
- Sat 27th** 10:00 am – 4:00 pm St Andrew's Players are holding a Refreshment Day
- Sun 28th** 6:00 – 7:30 pm **Sanctuary**, our youth group



Next Sunday 28th April

The Second Sunday of Easter

- 8:30 Holy Communion
9:30 Family Communion
11:00 Choral Matins
4:15 Afternoon Church –
 Celtic Worship
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 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 from 4:45 pm every day, except for Sundays, when it's 5:30 pm.

Thinking about God – a new discussion group

Paul Gill is hoping to start a discussion group called **Thinking about God** at St Peter's Church on a weekday, time to be determined. The conversation will be based on an A Level Philosophy of Religion syllabus and will include topics such as *Arguments for the Existence of God* and *The Soul and Life after Death*. If you think that you might like to come, please contact Paul on 01423 819480 or 07580 310971 or email him gillsno6@aol.com with the days /times that would suit you best.

St Peter's Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM)



Each April we come together: to review the past year; to elect Churchwardens and new Parish Church Council (PCC) members; to hear reports and ask questions; and to look forward to next year. This year the APCM is on Monday 29th April at 7:00 pm. If you want to propose someone to serve as Churchwarden or a member of the PCC, there are nomination forms available at the back of Church.

Parenting for beginners

Three FREE sessions for parents preparing for the birth of their baby



Wednesdays – 8th, 15th and 22nd May
10:00 am – 12:00 pm

The Garden Room, Wellspring House
78 High Street, Starbeck, HG2 7LW

To book a place, please contact

Wellspring therapy & training:

01423 881 881 or

office@wellspringtherapy.co.uk

St Peter's Flower Team would like to acknowledge the gift of four flower pedestals from an anonymous donor. These have been used for the first time today, Easter Sunday. In the future, they will be extremely useful, make our job easier and enhance the displays. Thank you, we are very grateful.

THANK YOU

Judith Simpson would like to thank everyone who helped to make the lunch for the work of **Christian Aid** such a success - we raised £272. Thank you to all who came and supported us, all who helped prepare the delicious food and all who helped in the kitchen.



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

Next Week's Deadline

The deadline for the next edition of the Weekly News (28th April) will be noon on Wednesday 24th April. Please send any items (including photos) to Alan Garrow **or** to Marian Chambers (addresses below)



Chris Clayton, our Curate, is being ordained priest on Saturday 13th July 2019. To celebrate, we shall be holding a Bring & Share Parish Lunch here in Church on Sunday 14th July. More information nearer the time!

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St Peter's Library Cat's Lent challenge

If you borrowed a book in Lent come to the Library area to collect your Easter surprise!



New to St Peter's? Please fill in one of the welcome cards in the pews and hand it to one of the clergy.