



# Weekly News

10<sup>th</sup> May 2026

*Rogation Sunday*

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

## Where hardship means hunger ... urban farmers can grow hope

In the crowded and noisy settlements of Nairobi, most parents wake every single day knowing that they must go and earn money, otherwise their children won't eat that evening. With no formal work opportunities, heartbreakingly low pay, and no social support, it's a precarious and frightening daily struggle that no family should have to face.

The aching hunger is bad enough. The relentless stress is overwhelming. "When I wake up, I have a lot of worries. Sometimes I don't have food," says Fridah Moraa, a recently widowed grandmother determined to support her family on what little she earns.

But Fridah's faith in God, and in her own ability to provide, is unwavering. With tools, seeds and specialist training from **Christian Aid's** partner, *Beacon of Hope*, Fridah is now making the most of a



*Fridah tends her small city plot, tucked away at the end of an alley by her home in Dagoretti, a settlement in Nairobi.*

*Photo credit: David Macharia/Christian Aid*

small space in the city to grow a steady supply of fresh vegetables that she can cook for her family or sell on her market stall.

**Christian Aid** and its supporters are joining together once again during **Christian Aid Week** (10<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> May) to fundraise in all kinds of ways – here at St Peter's there is a Church collection today and a Fundraising Refreshment Day on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> May.

With **seven days to make a difference**, every gift, act and prayer counts. What will you do to support someone like Fridah to grow food, protect their children from hunger, and nurture hope? **Find out more about the campaign at [caweek.org](http://caweek.org).**

# St Peter's Food Ministry

## needs your help!

### The *Thursday Supermarket* needs these items:

- breakfast cereals
- tins of soup
- tinned meat and fish
- sweet biscuits
- teabags and instant coffee
- microwave rice
- small tins of fruit and vegetables
- toiletries like shower gel, shampoo and deodorant.



All donations gratefully received



### The Rogation Sunday Walk is **TODAY!**

Helen Harrison (07879 877 353) and Nick Anderson are leading a prayer walk today, Rogation Sunday, after the 9:30 am service. Please meet in St Mary's Chapel at 10:45 am to walk around St Peter's Parish Boundary (approximately 3 miles). A simple ploughman's lunch will be served in Church afterwards.

### Canon Alan Garrow to preach at Ripon Cathedral on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May

Alan Garrow, our Vicar, is preaching at *Festal Eucharist for Ascension Day* at 5:30 pm at the Cathedral, followed by celebration drinks. Forty days after Easter, Christ left the earth and returned to his Father in heaven. Celebrate with us!

### Archbishop of Canterbury meets and prays with Pope Leo XIV



Her Grace, the Most Revd Dame Sarah Mullally had a private meeting and prayed with His Holiness Pope Leo XIV at the Vatican during her visit to Rome in April. Amongst the gifts she offered him was a jar of Lambeth Palace honey – it is made from the nectar from beehives in Lambeth Palace Garden. There are further photos and details of the visit at: [archbishopofcanterbury.org](http://archbishopofcanterbury.org).

## The Market Day Café is on Thursday

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



## Men's Breakfast at St Peter's: Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2026

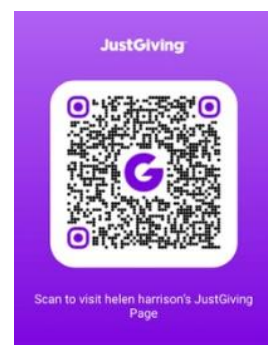


every 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month

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 889 076 if you are planning to come or email him at [brynsusie@hotmail.com](mailto:brynsusie@hotmail.com).

## Helen Harrison is taking part in Trek26 for the Alzheimer's Society

Trek26 is a 26 mile charity walk through London on 9<sup>th</sup> May 2026. Helen wanted to walk for all those known to her through her circle of friends and families at St Peter's and beyond, affected by this devastating disease. If you would like to support her in this challenge and give to this charity that touches the hearts of many, please follow the [JustGiving link](#). Alternatively, please contact Helen on 07879 877 353 or [hfhudy5@gmail.com](mailto:hfhudy5@gmail.com).



Afternoon tea concert at  
St Peter's, Harrogate

# Songs with Scones

Light Musical Entertainment  
from TrebleClef  
followed by refreshments

An illustration of a white teacup on a saucer next to a plate of two scones topped with raspberries and cream.

2pm on Saturday  
16th May 2026

Tickets £10 proceeds to St Peter's music

## Share joy Grow hope Fight hunger

Join the fun this Christian Aid Week, 10-16 May, and put **hope into action**.

Could you deliver **Christian Aid** envelopes in your area?  
Could you bake a cake for a **Christian Aid Refreshment Day** on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> May at St Peter's or come and help on the day?  
Please contact Judith Simpson (01423 564842). Thank you for your support.

Friday, with  
Fridah, with  
Christian Aid  
funded orphan  
family project in  
Nairobi, Kenya.

In aid of  
**christian aid**

Together we can support someone like Fridah to grow food, protect their children from hunger and nurture hope.

#7DaysToMakeADifference

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FR REGULATORY

# Today's Services: 10<sup>th</sup> May 2026

*The Sixth Sunday of Easter*

*The Fifth Sunday after Easter (BCP)*

**Rogation Sunday**

**8:30 Holy Communion**

**9:30 Family Communion**

*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**            **1030** The Lord's my Shepherd; **821** Into the darkness; **762** Here is bread; Our God is a great big God

**Readings**        Acts 17 v 22 - 31  
John 21 v 20 - 25

**Preacher:**        Steve Gibbin

**Our Duty Wardens today are:**

Mike Davies and  
Rachel Fell

**11:00 Choral Matins**

**Setting**            Boyce in C (Te Deum)

**Hymns**            2, 271, 251

**Psalm**             36

**Readings**        Genesis 8 v 20 – 9 v 17  
John 21 v 20 - 25

**Anthem**          Lift up your heads (Handel)

**Preacher:**        Steve Gibbin

**4:15 pm Stepping Stones Service**

*(arrivals and refreshments 3:45 pm)*

**Preacher:**        Alan Garrow

**6:30 Choral Evensong**

**Setting**            Stanford in Bflat

**Hymns**            253, 379, 424 (omit \*verse)

**Psalm**             45

**Readings**        Zechariah 8 v 1 – 13  
Revelation 21 v 22 – 22 v 5

**Anthem**          God is gone up (*Finzi*)

**Preacher:**        Tony Shepherd

## **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, Ann Campbell, Graham Cornish, Jane Crabtree, Maddison Crane, Tony Edwards, Margaret Farrar, Jenny Gardiner, Jenny Harris, Tim Harrison, Jean Hopper, Trevor Hughes, Joan Kelly, Elaine Manaley, Bill and Margaret Osborne, Sheila Pantin, Sue Pearce, Celia Preston, Michelle Simon, Sally Sneddon and Edward Vear.

**Also in our prayers this week:**

- Mon** The 10<sup>th</sup> Harrogate St Peter's Rainbows and Brownies  
All Year 6 pupils taking their SATs this week
- Tues** Harrogate *Bipolar UK* Support Group  
Men's Breakfast at St Peter's
- Wed** Siân Lockwood, Churchwarden  
All our Duty Wardens and Sidespersons
- Thurs** The 999 and NHS 111 call centre staff  
The work of the *Samaritans*
- Fri** St Peter's PCC  
Our Deanery Representatives
- Sat** St Peter's Choir  
John Longstaff, Director of Music

**Daily Bible Readings**

*Morning Prayer is at 8:00 am and is live streamed on Facebook – join in by following the links on our website. As part of our 'Year of John', the New Testament readings are all from the Gospel of John. These are the readings we will be using this week:*

- Mon** Rogation Day  
Psalm 65  
Numbers 16 v 1 - 35  
John 19 v 31 - 37
- Tues** Rogation Day  
Psalm 126  
Numbers 16 v 36 to end  
John 19 v 38 - 42
- Wed** Rogation Day  
Psalm 132  
Numbers 17 v 1 - 11  
John 20 v 1 - 10
- Thurs** **ASCENSION DAY**  
Psalm 110  
Isaiah 52 v 7 to end  
John 20 v 11 - 18
- Fri** **MATTHIAS THE APOSTLE**  
Psalm 16  
1 Samuel 2 v 27 - 35  
John 20 v 19 - 25
- Sat** Psalm 47  
Numbers 21 v 4 - 9  
John 20 v 26 – 31

**The Collect for the Sixth Sunday of Easter (Common Worship)**

Risen Christ, by the lakeside you renewed your call to your disciples: help your Church to obey your command and draw the nations to the fire of your love, to the glory of God the Father.

**The Collect for the Fifth Sunday after Easter (Book of Common Prayer)**

O Lord, from whom all good things do come: Grant to us thy humble servants, that by thy holy inspiration we may think those things that be good, and by thy merciful guiding may perform the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ.

# What's on This Week

*St Peter's Church is open to visitors from 9:30 am – 3:30 pm Monday to Thursday, and Saturdays, but from 9:30 am – 1:00 pm on Fridays.*

**Mon 11<sup>th</sup>** 11:00 am – 1:00 pm *Sit-n-Knit* in Church  
1:30 – 3:00 pm The *Thinking about God* group is meeting in the Undercroft  
2:00 pm The U3A Singing Folk group

**Tues 12<sup>th</sup>** **12:00 – 12:30 pm Healing Service**

**Wed 13<sup>th</sup>** **10:30 – 11:00 am Café RefleXions**  
2:00 – 3:30 pm Art Class for Adults with Helena  
7:30 pm Harrogate Harmony Men's Chorus

**Thurs 14<sup>th</sup>** ***Ascension Day***  
9:30 – 11:00 am The Toddler Group at St Peter's  
**11:00 am Holy Communion**  
11:30 am – 1:30 pm The Market Day Café  
NO Choir Practice tonight!

**Fri 15<sup>th</sup>** 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 16<sup>th</sup>** 8:00 am *Men's Breakfast at St Peter's*  
2:00 – 4:00 pm Songs with Scones *light musical entertainment from Treble Clef followed by refreshments.* Tickets £10

**Sun 17<sup>th</sup>** ***The Seventh Sunday of Easter***  
5:30 – 7:00 pm **Sanctuary**, our Youth Group, are meeting in the Brostoff Hall  
7:30 – 8:30 pm AA meeting in the Brostoff Hall

## **Next Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2026** ***The Seventh Sunday of Easter***

8:30 Holy Communion  
9:30 Family Communion  
11:00 Choral Matins  
4:15 Stepping Stones Service  
– *Crafternoon Church*  
6:30 Choral Evensong

## **St Peter's Food Ministry:**

**The Breakfast Club** provides a free, hot breakfast every morning from Monday to Saturday (8:15 – 8:45 am) for all those who are hungry or in need.

**Our mini-supermarket** is on Thursdays from 4:20 – 4:40 pm – an opportunity to stock up on tinned, preserved and dried food and toiletries.



Thy Kingdom Come

# God with us

14<sup>th</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> May 2026

[thykingdomcome.global](http://thykingdomcome.global)




The flowers in Church this week have been sponsored by Fiona and Ian Birt to celebrate the safe arrival of their first grandchild, **Martha Gladys Pickles**.

## Puzzle Bonanza at the next Book Sale



There will be a three day book sale in the Glass Foyer on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup>, Friday 29<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> May to raise funds for St Peter's Church. The organisers are planning a massive jigsaw puzzle sale as well as books – your chance to clear your shelves to make way for new puzzles and books. If you have any books or puzzles in good condition that you would like to donate please bring them to Church and leave them under the Tower or phone *07503 186 455* to arrange collection. Many thanks!

Knaresborough Choral Society  
St. Asaph Choral Society  
Harrogate Philharmonic Orchestra



# HAYDN: THE CREATION

40th Anniversary Celebration

**DANIEL RODRIGUEZ - CONDUCTOR**  
Eleonore Cockerham Toby Ward Andrew Greenan

**RIPON CATHEDRAL**  
Saturday 23rd May, 7:30pm



Tickets available on website  
£22 early bird  
£25 at the door  
Students Free  
[www.knaresboroughchoralsociety.com](http://www.knaresboroughchoralsociety.com)



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## Safe Spaces

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If you have been affected, however long ago, Safe Spaces can support you.

Call our free helpline

 **0300 303 1056**

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**Opening hours**  
Mon- Fri- 9am-9pm  
Sat- 9am-1pm  
Sun- 1pm-5pm



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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 Canine Code



- Well-behaved dogs are welcome.
- Please keep your dog in one place throughout the service.
- Please do not bring your dog to the communion rail.

## The Next Deadline

The deadline for the next edition of the Weekly News (17<sup>th</sup> May) will be noon on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> May. Please send any items (including photos) to **The Weekly News Editor**, Marian Chambers, or to **the Vicar**, Alan Garrow.

## Welcome to St Peter's Church



*You can join us online or in person*

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

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