

# Weekly News

## 19th October 2025

The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity www.stpetersharrogate.org.uk

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

## **Encouraging Lay Ministries**

Do you enjoy learning and encouraging others in learning? Are you currently engaged in some form of lay ministry in St Peter's (e.g. leading a small group, leading a children's group, serving as an occasional preacher, membership of the Pastoral Care Team, serving as a Churchwarden, or a Reader/LLM) – or are you interested to explore such a possibility? If so, then please consider yourself invited to a special meeting of Harrogate Deanery Synod on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> November 7:00 pm for 7:30 – 9:00pm, at St Oswald's Collingham, Wetherby, LS22 5AU.

This will be an opportunity to meet Gayle Bryon (pictured), newly appointed our Ministries **Encouraging** Lay Coordinator, to hear about the **Encouraging Lay Ministries** (ELM) initiative and find out how you can take part and bring others along with you. The ELM initiative aims to encourage and support lay ministry across the churches and benefices of Harrogate Deanery.



At the meeting we will share our vision; discuss current challenges and opportunities; and explore how we can help lay people discover and use their gifts. If you don't think you're quite at the stage of attending a larger meeting, but you'd like to explore how God might be calling you to grow in service, then please let me know so we can arrange a further conversation.

We want St Peter's, as well as Harrogate Deanery, to be a place where everyone is enabled to grow and use their gifts.

Alan Garrow, Area Dean, Harrogate Deanery

#### St Peter's Ladies who Lunch

The *Ladies who Lunch* are meeting again at 12:45 pm on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> October at the Nomad Café on Beulah Street, which caters for various dietary requirements. If you would like to join them for food and fellowship, then please contact Sue Heapy (<a href="mailto:brynsusie@hotmail.com">brynsusie@hotmail.com</a> or 07540 355 305), so she can book you a place at their table.



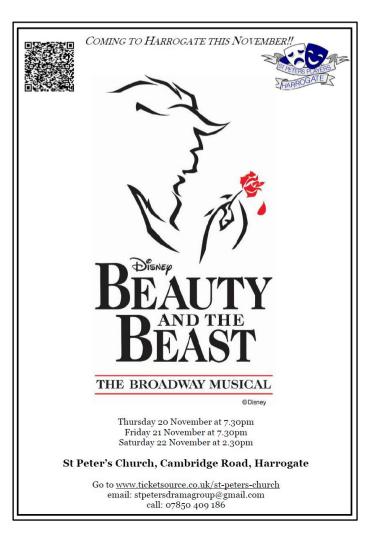
#### **Harrogate School of Theology & Mission**

Another Advocate: The Emergence of the Holy Spirit in the Writings of the New Testament— a seminar by the Revd Dr Claire Honess



This is on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> October at Woodlands Methodist Church on Wetherby Road, starting with breakfast at 9:30 am, followed by a seminar and a group discussion led by Claire Honess. Claire will help us to examine what the New Testament tells us about the Holy Spirit and the Spirit's work using very short close readings from Paul's letters, Luke, and John. Tickets cost £8, under 18s are free. Booking in advance via *Eventbrite*, visit *hstm.org.uk/events* for further details.







#### St Peter's Church wins GOLD!

The winners of the 2025 Harrogate in Bloom Awards were announced on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> October and St Peter's Church achieved Gold in the Communal Grounds category. Congratulations to Veronica Ace, Joan Glassford and Ann Robinson and thank you so much for all your hard work!

#### **Fundraising Refreshment Day on Saturday**

There is a St Peter's Fundraising Refreshment Day to raise funds for our Church on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> October from 10:00 am until 3:30 pm. They will be serving morning coffee, light lunches and afternoon teas. If you are in town on Saturday, please come and support this fundraising event in Church. Thank you!



#### Resurrection Bikes are coming to St Peter's

Resurrection Bikes, the local cycle charity, will be visiting St Peter's Church on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> November. They are offering free bike maintenance checks, and there will be some of their refurbished bikes for sale. Light refreshments will be available. Proceeds from the refreshments will be split between Resurrection Bikes and St Peter's Church. If you are willing to bake a cake to support this event then please contact Heather Swarbrick (07753 740 556) from St Peter's Eco Church Group.





### **Today's Services: 19th October 2025**

The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

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.

Our Duty Wardens today are:
Kate Blake and

Richard Bion

**Hymns** 1407 King of the ages; 10,000 Reasons; 1500 Peace, perfect

peace; 1604 When I needed a neighbour

**Readings** 2 Timothy 3 v 14 - 4 v 5

Luke 18 v 1 - 8

**Preacher:** Karin Shaw

11:00 Choral Matins

**Setting** Stanford in C (Jubilate)

**Hymns** 610, 385, 547

**Psalm** 149

**Readings** Genesis 32 v 22 - 31

Luke 18 v 1 - 8

**Anthem** O come, ye servants of the Lord (*Tye*)

**Preacher:** Karin Shaw

**4:15 pm Stepping Stones Service** *Crafternoon Church* 

**Preacher**: Ruth Thompson-Vear

6:30 Choral Communion

**Setting** Darke in F

**Hymns** 290, 321, 311, 627

**Readings** Nehemiah 8 v 9 to end

John 16 v 1 - 11

**Anthem** Locus iste (*Bruckner*)

**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, Ann Campbell, Graham Cornish, Jane Crabtree, Tony Edwards, Tim Harrison, June Hemmings, Jean Hopper, Trevor Hughes, Joan Kelly, Kim Okell, Sheila Pantin, Celia Preston, Richard Sadler and Michelle Simon.

#### Also in our prayers this week:

**Mon** That the ceasefire in Gaza can be

built into a lasting peace Vulnerable children with

safeguarding and welfare needs

**Tues** All who are housebound

Jan Edwards, Lay Pastoral

Minister

**Wed** The twenty living hostages

reunited with their families in

Israel

The hundreds of Palestinian

prisoners released in exchange

**Thurs** GP surgeries and health centres

All attending our Healing Service

**Fri** Tom Gordon, MP for Harrogate

and Knaresborough

His Majesty's Official Opposition

**Sat** Those who are close to death

St Michael's Hospice

#### **Daily Readings**

Morning Prayer is at 8:00 am and Evening Prayer is at 5:00 pm daily and both are live streamed on Facebook – join in by following the links on our website. These are the Bible readings we will be using each morning this week:

Mon Psalm 80

1 Maccabees 3 v 1 - 26

Mark 15 v 1 - 15

**Tues** Psalm 89 v 1 - 18

1 Maccabees 3 v 27 - 41

Mark 15 v 16 - 32

**Wed** Psalm 119 v 105 - 128

1 Maccabees 3 v 42 to

end

Mark 15 v 33 - 41

**Thurs** Psalm 92

1 Maccabees 4 v 1 - 25

Mark 15 v 42 to end

Fri Psalm 88

1 Maccabees 4 v 26 - 35

Mark 16 v 1 - 8

**Sat** *Crispin and Crispian,* 

Martyrs at Rome, c 287

Psalm 97

1 Maccabees 4 v 36 to

end

Mark 16 v 9 to end

## The Collect for The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

(Common Worship)

God, our judge and saviour, teach us to be open to your truth and to trust in your love, that we may live each day with confidence in the salvation which is given through Jesus Christ our Lord. The Collect for The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity (Book of Common Prayer) Lord, we beseech thee, grant thy people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh, and the devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow thee the only God; 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 20**<sup>th</sup> 11:00 am – 1:00 pm *Sit-n-Knit* in Church

1:30 – 3:00 pm The *Thinking about God* group are meeting in the

Undercroft to start their study of the Gospel of John

2:00 pm The U3A Singing Folk group

7:00 – 9:00 pm Beauty and the Beast rehearsal in Church

Tues 21<sup>st</sup> 12:00 – 12:30 pm Healing Service

7:00 – 9:00 pm *Beauty and the Beast* rehearsal in Church

Wed 22<sup>nd</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 23<sup>rd</sup>** 9:30 – 11:00 am The Toddler Group at St Peter's

11:00 am Holy Communion

7:30 pm St Peter's Choir Practice

**Fri 24**<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 25**<sup>th</sup> 10:00 am – 3:30 pm *St Peter's Fundraising Refreshment Day* in

Church – please support!

Sun 26<sup>th</sup> British Summertime ends (clocks go back!)

Bible Sunday

7:30 – 8:30 pm AA meeting in the Brostoff Hall

#### Next Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> October 2025 *Bible Sunday*

8:30	Holy Communion
9:30	Family Communion
11:00	Choral Matins
4:15	Stepping Stones Service
	<ul> <li>Service of the Word</li> </ul>
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.

#### **Your Giving Counts**

Last week the Weekly News had a front-page article about our financial giving. Our financial giving has not kept up with our costs, so we now face a deficit for 2025 of more than £100,000. Different ways to help remedy this situation are explained on the <u>Financial Giving</u> page of the Church website, but not all the members of our congregation have access to a computer or a smart phone. So you can:

 Give cash: it is still possible to give cash using the collection plate during worship. If you are a UK taxpayer, please use (and fill in) the Gift Aid envelopes that are available on the ends of the pews. Then we can claim an extra 25p through Gift Aid for every £1 contributed.



2. **Give by card**: if you prefer to donate by card please use the Sum-Up machine on the Welcome Desk.



- 3. **Give via the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS)** as well as signing-up online, did you know you can also fill in a paper form (available from the Parish Office) to post, or telephone *0333 002 1260* and speak to the PGS team? Gift Aid is automatically processed every month by the PGS team, reducing the burden of admin for our church volunteers. You can also make one off donations.
- 4. **Give via your bank**: by setting up a monthly BACs payment. Our details are St Peter's PCC Harrogate Sort Code 53-50-21 Natwest account no: 67137628.





Refreshments are served after each of our Sunday morning services from



the kitchen area at the front of Church. Please come and join us.

# WE JUST WANT TO SAY... THANK YOU!

#### Thank you so much

if you remembered to bring some groceries, toiletries or treats to put in the hamper today! Your donation will help someone who is hungry or in need.

#### **Next Week's Deadline**

The deadline for the next edition of the Weekly News (26<sup>th</sup> October) will be noon on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October. 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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