



# Weekly News

21<sup>st</sup> June 2026

*The Third Sunday after Trinity*

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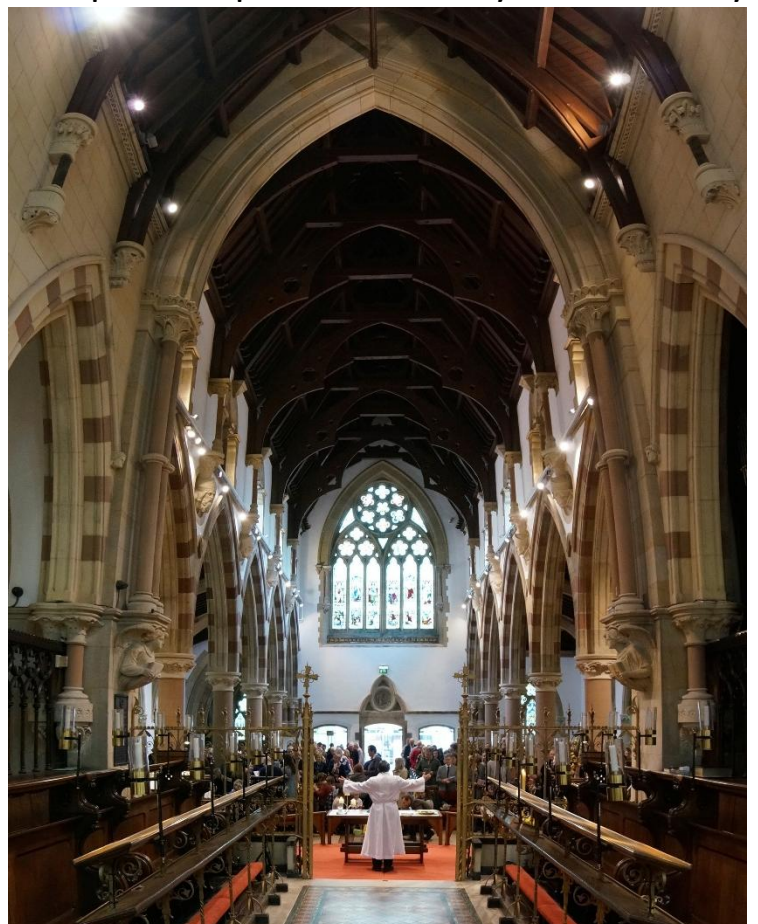
## This is our story

This Sunday at 10:00 am, the Bishop of Ripon, The Rt Revd Anna Eltringham, joins us for a special service of celebration. What better way to give thanks for 150 years of St Peter's ongoing story than with baptisms and confirmations?

St Peter's has been a place of refuge; shared celebration and grief; silence and chatter; prayer and praise; tea and cake, breakfast, lunch and dinner; family and community; growth and learning; death and renewal; for 150 years. This building is not just a physical landmark; it is a statement of value. Those who came before us, when they had the opportunity to build something new at the centre of their emergent new town, chose to build this Church. God at the centre. It is impossible to calculate the total impact of their decision, but each of us will be able to testify to multiple ways in which St Peter's has played a positive part in our story and the story of our town.

As we look towards the future, we have an inspiring, visionary foundation from which to build and grow.

Our celebrations continue next Sunday when we mark St Peter's Day with: a fundraising Refreshment Day on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> 10:00 am – 3:00 pm; St Peter's Day worship on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> – including a specially commissioned setting for a Festal Matins at 11:00 am composed by our Director of Music, John Longstaff - and, on the Sunday afternoon, the Vicarage Garden Party from 1:00 – 4:00 pm. Come and bring a friend!



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

## St Peter's Fundraising Refreshment Day



There is a Refreshment Day to raise funds for St Peter's Church on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June 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!

### **Bipolar UK Support Group at St Peter's**

*Bipolar UK* is the only national charity dedicated to empowering individuals and families affected by bipolar. There are over 80 online and in-person peer support groups registered in the UK. All groups are open to anyone affected by bipolar, with or without a diagnosis, as well as their family, loved ones and friends. The *Harrogate Bipolar UK* peer support group meet on the **last** Wednesday of each month in the Music Room from 7:00 – 9:00 pm. The next meeting is this week on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June.



### **Coming soon: the 2026 Big Butterfly Count**

**Butterfly Conservation** is a UK-based scientific, conservation and engagement charity seeking to create a world where butterflies and moths thrive and can be enjoyed by everyone, forever. Through groundbreaking research, dedicated conservation work, and extensive engagement programmes, they are tackling butterfly and moth declines across the UK and saving species from extinction.

Launched in 2010, the *Big Butterfly Count* is **Butterfly Conservation's** citizen science project and the biggest of its kind in the world. Each year from mid-July to mid-August, tens of thousands of people spend time in outdoor spaces across the UK counting our more common butterfly and day-flying moth species. Butterflies are key biodiversity indicators as they react very quickly to changes in their environment. Therefore, if their numbers are falling, then nature is in trouble. The vital data collected from the *Big Butterfly Count* gives their scientists a snapshot of how our environment is faring and helps to inform conservation decision making.



Despite favourable weather and a record number of participants (over 125,000) the *2025 Big Butterfly Count* revealed a pretty average year. The Large White and Small White (*pictured here*) recorded their best ever result. This year the *2026 Big Butterfly Count* takes place from 17<sup>th</sup> July to 9<sup>th</sup> August 2026. If you would like to take part visit [butterfly-conservation.org](https://www.butterfly-conservation.org) to find out more.



## Celebrating St Peter's Day

Next weekend we celebrate our patronal festival with a St Peter's Fundraising Refreshment Day on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June from 10:00 am – 3:30 pm and the Vicarage Garden Party on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June from 1:00 – 4:00 pm. Could you provide a cake to support either of these events? If so, it would be tremendously helpful if you could let Catherine Medforth (07876 653 765 or [catherineab0310@gmail.com](mailto:catherineab0310@gmail.com)) or Alan Garrow (07761 017 658 or [alan.garrow@gmail.com](mailto:alan.garrow@gmail.com)) know.

## A prayer for the World Cup 2026

God of glory, as the world gathers to celebrate the beautiful game, we pray for a harmonious and joyous World Cup. Bring safety and security for players and officials on the pitch, fans in the stands, and spectators at home.

May we see and celebrate the hand of God in the creativity of every curving free kick, silky pass or impossible save. May we have compassion and perspective on the miskicks, missed penalties and muddled VARs.

Every winning team needs a losing team – even if you were the better team.

Let the journey to World Cup glory be not only for the nation that wins. May we see something more of the world you want us to be: a gathering of every nation and people who share your glory. Amen.

## St Peter's Vicarage Garden Party

Sunday 28th June 1:00 - 4:00 pm

St Peter's Vicarage

13 Beech Grove

Harrogate

HG2 0ET



## Pizza and BBQ



## St Peter's Toddler Group

Thursday Mornings  
9.30am-11.00am

Cambridge Rd, Harrogate HG1 1PB  
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- Nursery rhymes and singing
- Crafts
- Tea/Coffee and biscuits
- Drinks and snacks for children
- Storytime
- Safe warm space to play
- It's **Free!**



# Today's Services: 21<sup>st</sup> June 2026

Celebrating our 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary 1876 – 2026

*The Third Sunday after Trinity*

*The Third Sunday after Trinity (BCP)*

**8:30 Holy Communion**

**10:00 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration Communion  
with Baptisms and Confirmations**

***Today we welcome Anna Eltringham, Bishop of Ripon, to St Peter's.***

*Sunday Club will be held in the Bramall Gallery – please gather at the front of the church  
before the service begins*

**Hymns** All my hope on God is founded; Be still (for the presence of the Lord); Spirit of the living God; Light of the world; Glorious things of thee are spoken (*please see Order of Service*)

**Readings** Acts 2 v 41 - 47  
John 14 v 15 – 17 and 25 - 27

**Preacher:** The Rt Revd Anna Eltringham, Bishop of Ripon

**4:15 pm Stepping Stones Service** *Crafternoon Service*  
(arrivals and refreshments 3:45 pm)

**Preacher:** Ruth Thompson-Vear

**6:30 Choral Communion**

**Setting** Little Organ Mass (*Haydn*)

**Hymns** 558, 335, 295, 621

**Readings** Acts 27 v 1 - 12  
Luke 14 v 12 - 24

**Anthem** Ave verum corpus (*Mozart*)

**Preacher:** Alan Garrow

**Our Duty Wardens today are:**

Heather Swarbrick  
and Rachel Fell

## Prayer Ministry at the 10:00 am service

At the 10:00 am Service we will 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.



## Deacons being ordained at Petertide

Ten Deacons are to be ordained by the Rt Revd Dr Toby Howarth, Bishop of Bradford and Acting Bishop of Leeds at Bradford Cathedral on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> July at 11:00 am. They include **Juliet Balme**, who will serve as a Curate here at St Peter's, and **Samantha Clayton**, who will serve her Curacy at the Headingley and All Hallows Team Ministry. Let us pray for the pouring out of God's Spirit on all those to be ordained and on his church through their ministry.

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

Pat Anderson, Ann Campbell, Graham Cornish, Jane Crabtree, Tony Edwards, Margaret Farrar, Jenny Gardiner, Jenny Harris, Tim Harrison, Jean Hopper, Trevor Hughes, Gail Hunter, Christine Jepson, Miriam Jones, Joan Kelly, Bill and Margaret Osborne, Graham Shaw, Sheila Pantin, Sue Pearce, Celia Preston, Michelle Simon and Sally Sneddon.

**Also in our prayers this week:**

- Mon** St Aidan's CE High School  
**Sanctuary**, St Peter's Youth Group
- Tues** All those providing care or help to a vulnerable person  
*Artizan International* transforming the lives of people with disabilities at home and overseas
- Wed** SHINE, community organisation based at St Stephen's Church, West Bowling  
Carole Raw, Parish Administrator
- Thurs** All emergency service workers  
Harrogate Fire Station
- Fri** Mike Davies, Churchwarden  
St Peter's Strollers
- Sat** Patients and staff in intensive care units  
Our homes, families, friends and all whom we love

**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** ***Alban, first Martyr of Britain, c. 250***  
Psalm 71  
Judges 8 v 22 to end  
John 6 v 41 - 51
- Tues** ***Etheldreda, Abbess of Ely***  
Psalm 73  
Judges 9 v 1 - 21  
John 6 v 52 - 59
- Wed** **THE BIRTH OF JOHN THE BAPTIST**  
Psalm 50  
Ecclesiasticus 48 v 1 - 10  
John 6 v 60 - 71
- Thurs** Psalm 78 v 1 - 39  
Judges 11 v 1 - 11  
John 7 v 1 - 9
- Fri** Psalm 55  
Judges 11 v 29 to end  
John 7 v 10 - 24
- Sat** *Cyril, Bishop of Alexandria, Teacher, 444*  
Psalm 76  
Judges 12 v 1 - 7  
John 7 v 25 - 31

**The Collect for The Third Sunday after Trinity (Common Worship)**

God our Saviour, look on this wounded world in pity and in power;  
hold us fast to your promises of peace won for us by your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

**The Collect for The Third Sunday after Trinity (Book of Common Prayer)**

O Lord, we beseech thee mercifully to hear us; and grant that we, to whom thou hast given an hearty desire to pray, may by thy mighty aid be defended and comforted in all dangers and adversities;  
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 Monday to Thursday, and Saturdays, but from 9:30 am – 1:00 pm on Fridays.*

- Mon 22<sup>nd</sup>** 11:00 am – 1:00 pm *Sit-n-Knit* in Church  
2:00 pm The U3A Singing Folk group
- Tues 23<sup>rd</sup>** **12:00 – 12:30 pm Healing Service**
- Wed 24<sup>th</sup>** **10:30 – 11:00 am Café RefleXions**  
2:00 – 3:30 pm Art Class for Adults with Helena  
7:00 – 9:00 pm *Harrogate Bipolar UK* peer support group  
7:30 pm Harrogate Harmony Men's Chorus
- Thurs 25<sup>th</sup>** 9:30 – 11:00 am The Toddler Group at St Peter's  
**11:00 am Holy Communion**  
1:00 – 3:00 pm Maths Clinic @ St Peter's Church  
8:15 pm St Peter's Choir Practice
- Fri 26<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 27<sup>th</sup>** 10:00 am – 3:30 pm St Peter's Fundraising Refreshment Day – serving morning coffee, light lunches and afternoon teas.
- Sun 28<sup>th</sup>** ***Celebrating St Peter's Day***  
***The Fourth Sunday after Trinity***  
1:00 – 4:00 pm The Vicarage Garden Party – BBQ, pizzas, cakes and teas  
5:30 – 7:00 pm **Sanctuary**, our Youth Group, are meeting in the Brostoff Hall for a social evening  
7:30 – 8:30 pm AA meeting in the Brostoff Hall

## Next Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2026

### ***Celebrating St Peter's Day***

#### *The Fourth Sunday after Trinity*

- 8:30 Holy Communion  
9:30 Family Communion  
11:00 Choral Matins  
1:00 The Vicarage Garden Party  
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.

# Reframing Healing for our Time: Faith, Health & the Human Condition

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July, 9:30 am – 5:00 pm, York St John University

The symposium forms part of the celebrations marking the 800<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the canonisation of William of York, whose shrine at York Minster became one of the great medieval centres of pilgrimage and prayer for healing.



The distinguished group of speakers includes: Dr Petre Maican, a theologian and disability counsellor; the Revd Dr Chris Swift, who worked for over 30 years in health and social care chaplaincy; Professor Roger Kneebone, Emeritus Professor of Surgical Education and Engagement Science at Imperial College London; Dr Susan Cross, an independent scholar working on silence and silencing in liturgy; and The Most Revd and Rt Hon Stephen Cottrell, Archbishop of York.

Through lectures and conversation across disciplines, the symposium will explore questions such as: How do we understand healing in a world shaped by medical technology, trauma, disability, and social fragmentation? How might Christian theology speak meaningfully about healing without reinforcing harmful assumptions about perfection or normality and what role might churches and sacred spaces play in nurturing healing within contemporary communities?

Further information and tickets are available on [Eventbrite](#).

**Voyage Spirituel**

HARROGATE CHORAL SOCIETY

Nadia Boulanger *Cantique*  
Durufié *Quatre Motets*  
Lili Boulanger *Sous Bois*  
Durufié *Organ Solo*  
Fauré *Cantique de Jean Racine*  
Durufié *Requiem*

Thomas Moore, Organ  
Conducted by **David Lawrence**

27 June 2026, 3pm  
St Wilfrid's Church, Harrogate

Tickets £18  
Students and U16s £5  
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Or book online at  
[www.harrogatetheatre.co.uk](http://www.harrogatetheatre.co.uk)

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St Wilfrid's Church, Harrogate  
12 July 2026, 4pm

Book online at [harrogatevocalis.co.uk](http://harrogatevocalis.co.uk)

Refreshments will be served after this morning's Joint Communion service. Please come and join us.



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## 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.

### The Next Deadline

The deadline for the next edition of the Weekly News (28<sup>th</sup> June) will be noon on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June. 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 at the end of the pews and hand it to one of the Clergy.