



Weekly News

24th March 2024

Palm Sunday

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We can't 'go it alone'

We live in a culture that seems increasingly to encourage the idea that we can 'go it alone'. When it comes to the big things of life, however, that myth is quickly exposed as inadequate. Thankfully, as we enter into Holy Week we are reminded that Jesus has been there before us. As we face trials that test us to the limit, Jesus' enduring presence is an accompaniment we can truly rely on. And, as we seek to keep going in faithfully following Jesus, we draw encouragement on that journey from the company of others.

As we prepare for Holy Week and Easter there are two shared events I'd particularly like to encourage you to enter into. On Wednesday 27th March at 7:15 pm The Choir of St Peter's Church and *Vocalis* will be performing **Bach's Mass in B Minor** (Tickets £18 – see poster inside for details).

This is a musical immersive event like no other – with the performance in the church building, alongside others, on the day before Maundy Thursday, all part of that experience.

Then on Easter Sunday we have the opportunity to make our contribution to the **Flowering Cross**. A new cross, with the capacity to hold many, many flowers, has been created for this purpose. Please bring flowers with you on Easter Day so that, with our individual offerings, we can illustrate the transformative power of Jesus' resurrection – who saves us from the folly of attempting to 'go it alone'.

Alan Garrow, Vicar of St Peter's Church



HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

Tuesday 26 th	12:00 pm Healing Service
Wednesday 27 th March	7:15 pm Performance of Mass in B minor by Bach with St Peter's Choir, Vocalis, guest singers and an orchestra
Thursday 28 th March <i>Maundy Thursday</i>	11:00 am Holy Communion 7:30 pm Choral Communion commemorating the Last Supper with St Peter's Choir
Friday 29 th March <i>Good Friday</i>	10:00 am Good Friday Family Service with craft activities 11:00 - 11:30 am Netmakers Good Friday Service – join with local churches for a short service at the Cenotaph 2:00 pm An Hour before the Cross – meditations and music on the crucifixion of Christ with St Peter's Choir.
Sunday 31 st March <i>Easter Day</i>	<i>Please bring a flower to add to the Flowering Cross</i> 8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP) 9:30 am Family Communion 11:00 am Choral Communion (BCP) 6:30 pm Choral Evensong (BCP)

The *Thinking about God* discussion group

The group will not meet during Holy Week or Easter Week and will resume on Monday 8th April. We meet each Monday from 1:30 - 3:00pm in the Gallery. We will be starting to look at some topics in the Philosophy of Religion, including: Arguments for the Existence of God; the Problem of Evil; Religion and Science; Religious Language; Religious Experience; and Life, Death, and the Soul. All are welcome to join us. For more details contact Paul Gill on 01423 819480, 07580 31 09 71, or gillsno6@aol.com.

St Peter's Afternoon Fellowship is back!

St Peter's Afternoon Fellowship returns on Tuesday 9th April with a new look and feel. The new venue is St Peter's Church, and we will meet on the second Tuesday of the month from 2:00 – 4:00 pm. Speakers on varied and interesting topics are in the planning, along with musical entertainment for you to enjoy. Karin Shaw, our Curate will be the speaker at this meeting. An English afternoon tea will be served – please let me know if you have any food allergies. Transport can be arranged if required. Please call me, Leigh Thompson, on 01423 884899 or 07824 74 78 12 if you are planning to come. All are welcome, so do please come along and join our fellowship.

Leigh Thompson, *St Peter's Church Welcome Officer*

Decorating the Church for Easter



St Peter's Flower Team will be decorating our Church for Easter and any donations towards the cost of the flowers will be most welcome. If you wish to have a loved one commemorated alongside the Easter Lilies on the High Altar, please give that person's name along with any donation (cash only) in an envelope directly to Sue Heapy or to one of the Clergy or Churchwardens **TODAY 24th March!**



The Easter Flowering Cross 2024

Please bring flowers to help dress the flowering cross when you come to worship on Easter Sunday.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH HARROGATE
J S Bach
Mass in B minor
Choir of St. Peter's Church
Vocalis
(director Alexander Kyle)
Harrogate Bach Players
(leader Fiona Love)

Eleonore Cockerham	soprano
Heather Lowe	mezzo-soprano
Emma Carrington	alto
James Micklethwaite	tenor
Andrew Greenan	bass
John Longstaff	director

Wednesday 27th March 2024
at 7:15 pm

Tickets £18 from Eventbrite (no booking fee) or from St. Peter's Parish Office (cash or cheques only) by calling 07425 161425 or on the door (credit card payments accepted).



Join together with local churches on

GOOD FRIDAY

Local churches will gather at the War Memorial in the centre of Harrogate for a open air service that will include a short talk, prayer and worship. All are welcome to join us.

Friday 29th March,
11am - 11.30am
War Memorial,
Prospect Square,
Harrogate



netmakers.org.uk

NETMAKERS
Local Churches For Mission

Today's Services: 24th March 2024

Palm Sunday

The Sunday next before Easter (BCP)



During our services today palm crosses will be blessed and given out to commemorate Christ's entry into Jerusalem

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 **189** Hosanna; **120** The Servant King; **482** Rejoice, the Lord is King!; **485** Ride on, ride on in majesty

Readings Philippians 2 v 5 - 11
Mark 14 – 15

Our Duty Wardens today are:

Sîan Lockwood and
Mo Atkinson

11:00 Choral Matins

Setting Naylor in G (Benedicite)

Hymns 129, 110, 128 (omit *verse), 322

Psalm 62

Readings Isaiah 50 v 4 - 9a
Mark 14 – 15

Anthem Hosanna to the Son of David (*Hutchings*)

4:15 pm Stepping Stones Service *Service of the Word*

Preacher: Karin Shaw

6:30 Choral Evensong by candlelight

Setting Morley (Short Service)

Hymns 123, 106, 557

Psalm 69 v 1 - 20

Readings Isaiah 5 v 1 - 7
Mark 12 v 1 - 12

Anthem Hosanna to the Son of David (*Weelkes*)

Preacher: Sue Pearce



Please pray for those who have asked for our prayers:

Pat Anderson, Beverley Cooper, Graham Cornish, Jane Crabtree, Peter Dickinson, Tony Edwards, Louise Emrullahu, Tessa Gilbert, June Hemmings, Trevor Hughes, Jackie Kelly, Jane Lishman, Rachel Looby, Elaine Manaley, Derek Mansfield, Steve Martin, Kim Okell, Sheila Pantin, Matthew Pindell, Richard Sadler and Michelle Simon.

Also in our prayers this week:

- Mon** The 10th Harrogate St Peter's Guides
Sanctuary, St Peter's Youth Group
- Tues** All those providing care or help to a vulnerable person
St Peter's Pastoral Support Team
- Wed** The musicians and singers taking part in tonight's concert
Carole Raw, Parish Administrator
- Thurs** All emergency service workers
Those whose time is spent caring for others
- Fri** Delivery drivers and postal workers
St Peter's Flower Team
- Sat** Patients and staff in intensive care units
Our homes, families, friends and all whom we love

Daily Readings

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

- Mon** Psalm
Lamentations 1 v 1 – 12a
Luke 22 v 1 - 23
- Tues** Psalm 27
Lamentations 3 v 1 - 18
Luke 22 [24 – 38] 39 - 53
- Wed** Psalm 102
Jeremiah 11 v 18 - 20
Luke 22 v 54 to end
- Thurs** ***Maunder Thursday***
Psalm 42
Leviticus 16 v 2 - 24
Luke 23 v 1 - 25
- Fri** ***Good Friday***
Psalm 69
Genesis 22 v 1 - 18
Hebrews 10 v 1 - 10
- Sat** ***Easter Eve***
Psalm 142
Hosea 6 v 1 - 6
John 2 v 18 - 22

The Collect for Palm Sunday

(Common Worship)

True and humble king,
hailed by the crowd as
Messiah:

grant us the faith to know
you and love you, that we
may be found beside you on
the way of the cross, which
is the path of glory.

The Collect for the Sunday next before Easter

(Book of Common Prayer)

Almighty and everlasting God, who, of thy tender love towards mankind, hast sent thy Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, to take upon him our flesh, and to suffer death upon the cross, that all mankind should follow the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant, that we may both follow the example of his patience, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through the same 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 25th

11:00 am – 1:00 pm *Sit-n-Knit* in Church
2:00 pm The U3A Singing Folk group
6:30 – 9:00 pm *The Bereavement Journey* – Session 7
7:30 – 9:30 pm Mass in B minor rehearsal in Church

Tues 26th

12:00 – 12:30 pm Healing Service

Wed 27th

10:30 – 11:00 am Café Reflexions

7:15 pm Performance of Mass in B minor by JS Bach with St Peter's Choir, Vocalis, guest singers and an orchestra



Thurs 28th

Maundy Thursday

9:30 – 11:00 am The Toddler Group at St Peter's
9:30 – 11:00 am HAPPINESS LAB in the Undercroft 6: *Coping strategies*

11:00 am Holy Communion

7:30 pm Choral Communion commemorating the Last Supper:

Setting Ireland in C

Anthems Ubi caritas (*Duruflé*)

Love bade me welcome (*Vaughan Williams*)

See Order of Service for Readings and Hymns

Fri 29th

Good Friday

9:30 am AA meeting in the Music Room

10:00 am **Good Friday Family Service** with craft activities

11:00 am **Netmakers Good Friday Service** – join together with other local churches for a short service at the Cenotaph

2:00 pm **An Hour before the Cross** – meditations and music on the crucifixion of Christ with St Peter's Choir:

O Saviour of the World (*Goss*); Ave verum (*Byrd*); Here at Thy tomb (*Bach*)

See Order of Service for Readings and Hymns

Sat 30th

Easter Eve – Church being decorated by St Peter's Flower Team

Sun 31st

Easter Day

1:00 – 1:30 pm Sunday Lunch

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

Well done and thank you for all your hard work!



Thank you if you supported **Sanctuary's Refreshment Day** on Saturday 16th March. Our young people and the book sale raised £1,238.53 to be split between MND; the crowdfunding appeal '*Help Elizabeth*' for a 16-year-old girl with cancer; and the **Sanctuary** Youth Group.

The 10th Anniversary of the Diocese of Leeds



The 10th anniversary of the Diocese of Leeds falls on Saturday 20th April 2024 and is an opportunity for us all to both reflect and look forward to the future.

The Diocese was created in 2014, and the Rt Revd Nick Baines became its first Bishop in June of that year. We have three cathedrals of equal status: Ripon, Wakefield, and Bradford, and there are five episcopal areas within the Diocese, each led by an Area Bishop: Leeds, Ripon, Wakefield, Bradford and Huddersfield.

The Archbishop of York, the Most Revd Stephen Cottrell, will be visiting the Diocese on Friday 19th and Saturday 20th April this year, for a weekend touring the region and marking this important milestone in the life of our Diocese. Details of his visit will be shared in due course.

The War the World Forgot

The Revd Dale Barton, Secretary of the Leeds Diocese Sudan Link, has sent details of a BBC programme on Radio 4 to be broadcast on Friday 22nd March at 11:00 am (*and then available on BBC SOUNDS*). Sudan's latest

civil war began last April. The country is on the verge of a humanitarian crisis. Why aren't we hearing more about it in the news? James Copnall, former BBC Sudan Correspondent, finds out what exactly is going on from historians, personal testimony, government and humanitarian aid agencies.

BBC
RADIO



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



Easter Day

Next Sunday 31st March

Easter Day

8:30 Holy Communion
9:30 Family Communion
11:00 Choral Communion
6:30 Choral Evensong

St Peter's Evening Fellowship

Thursday 4th April at 7:30 pm

in the Brostoff Hall

'Valley Gardens: it's historic and horticultural development over the centuries' with Jane Blayney

You are most welcome to join us, current member or not. Contact Richard Bion (07966 07 38 67 or richardbion9@gmail.com)

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 in the pews and hand it to one of the Clergy.

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Next Week's Deadline

The deadline for the next edition of the Weekly News (31st March) will be noon on Wednesday 27th March.