

Weekly News

26th January 2025

The Third Sunday of Epiphany

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For a Better Future is the theme for Holocaust Memorial Day 2025



Most children were immediately killed upon arrival at the concentration camps. These child survivors were photographed a few days after the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau by the Red Army in January 1945.

Holocaust Memorial Day 2025 (HMD 2025) on Monday 27th January marks the 80th anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau, the largest Nazi concentration camp complex, and the 30th anniversary of the genocide in Bosnia.

Auschwitz concentration camp was of Nazi concentration complex extermination camps located in occupied Poland during World War II. It was the the largest of concentration and extermination camps, where over 1.1 million people, mostly Jews, were murdered between 1940 and 1945.

Eighty years on from the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau, antisemitism (anti-Jewish hatred) has increased significantly in the UK and globally following the attacks in Israel by Hamas on 7th October 2023 and

the subsequent war in Gaza. Extremists are also exploiting the situation to stir up anti-Muslim hatred in the UK. Many UK communities are feeling vulnerable, with hostility and suspicion of others rising. We hope that HMD 2025 can be an opportunity for people to come together, learn both from and about the past, and take actions to make a better future for all.

There are many things we can all do to create a better future. We can speak up against Holocaust and genocide denial and distortion; we can challenge prejudice; we can encourage others to learn about the Holocaust and more recent genocides. There are some practical suggestions on the *Holocaust Memorial Trust* website https://hmd.org.uk or follow this link: <u>Take Action for a Better Future</u>.

St Peter's Afternoon Fellowship

St Peter's Afternoon Fellowship now meets on the **first** Tuesday of the month from 2:00-4:00 pm at Church. There is usually a speaker, or sometimes an entertainer, and always a delicious afternoon tea. The next meeting is on Tuesday 4^{th} February. Please call Leigh Thompson $01423\ 884\ 899$ or $07824\ 747\ 912$ if you would like to come.





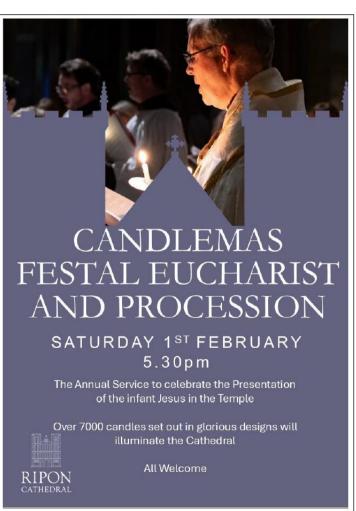
Fundraising Refreshment Day

There is a St Peter's Fundraising Refreshment Day to raise funds for our Church on Saturday 1st February 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!

Do you remember David Yardley?

David Yardley, who used to be a deputy warden at St Peter's for several years, died just before Christmas and his funeral will be at 12:00 pm, midday, on Wednesday 29th January in St Peter's Church. This will be a service of joyful celebration of his life and it would be great if those who remember David's time here could support his son, Andrew, and his family at the service. This should be a cheerful service so black is not the most appropriate colour! Refreshments will be served in the Church afterwards.





St Peter's Evening Fellowship

Our Evening Fellowship meeting due to be held on Thursday 6th February has been cancelled. The last of the 'Ethics Matters' lectures is being held on the same evening and a number of our members are planning to attend this lecture. Our next meeting will be held on Thursday 6th March at which we will be holding our AGM followed by a talk on Montenegro to be given by Sue and Bryn Heapy following their recent visit to the country. You are most welcome to join us, current member or not. For further details contact the Secretary, Richard Bion (<u>richardbion9@gmail.com</u> or 07966 073 867).

The annual Candlemas service at Ripon Cathedral is on Saturday



On Saturday 1st February Ripon Cathedral will celebrate the Feast of Candlemas as thousands of candles blaze throughout the building. Candlemas celebrates the presentation of the infant Jesus at the temple, where the aged Simeon recognised him as the Lord's Messiah and rejoiced in him being a light to enlighten all people. All are welcome at this beautiful service

at 5:30pm sung by Ripon Cathedral Choir. The cathedral nave and chapels will be decorated with numerous candle displays, many of them designed and arranged by local children. At St Peter's next Sunday 2nd February we will be celebrating Candlemas at all our services.





Today's Services: 26th January 2025

The Third Sunday of Epiphany

The Third Sunday after the Epiphany (BCP)

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 1158 All my days; 1419 Light of the world; 1346 In Christ alone;

1404 King of kings, Majesty

Readings 1 Corinthians 12 v 12 - 31a

Luke 4 v 14 - 21

Preacher: Chris Clayton

11:00 Holocaust Memorial Service

See separate order of service

Readings Genesis 12 v 1 - 9

Psalm 133

Anthem As the hart pants (*Mendelssohn*)

Preacher: Steve Gibbin

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

Preacher: Sam Clayton

6:30 Choral Evensong by candlelight

Setting Harwood in A flat

Hymns 492, 520, 10

Psalm 33

Readings Numbers 9 v 15 to end

1 Corinthians 7 v 17 - 24

Anthem Almighty and everlasting God (*Gibbons*)

Preacher: John Longstaff



Our Duty Wardens today are:

Mike Davies and Richard Bion

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, Graham Cornish, Jane Crabtree, Tony Edwards, Louise Emrullahu, June Hemmings, Trevor Hughes, Kim Okell, Sheila Pantin, Lynda Pilmoor, Matthew Pindell, Celia Preston, Richard Sadler and Michelle Simon.

Also in our prayers this week:

Mon Holocaust Memorial Day

Survivors of the Holocaust and

more recent genocides

Tues Rough sleepers and the homeless

St Peter's Breakfast Club

Wed All the members of St Peter's

congregation who have moved to

Harrogate from Hong Kong Everyone who celebrates the

Lunar New Year

Thurs Our armed forces serving at home

and overseas

The Royal Navy, serving on ships and submarines across the oceans

of the world

Fri North Yorkshire Council

Stewart Davies, Lay Reader

Sat St Peter's Choir

John Longstaff, Director of Music

Daily Readings

Morning Prayer is at 8:00 am daily and is live streamed on Facebook – join in by following the links on our website.

Evening Prayer is at 5:00 pm. These are the Bible readings we will be using each morning this week.

Mon Psalm 108

Hosea 2 v 18 – 3 to end 1 Corinthians 9 v 15 to

end

Tues Thomas Aquinas, Priest,

Philosopher, Teacher 1274

Psalm 36

Hosea 4 v 1 - 16

1 Corinthians 10 v 1 - 13

Wed Psalm 46

Hosea 5 v 1 - 7

1 Corinthians 10 v 14 -

11 v 1

Thurs Charles, King and Martyr

Psalm 47

Hosea 5 v 8 – 6 v 6

1 Corinthians 11 v 2 - 16

Fri Psalm 65

Hosea 6 v 7 – 7 v 2

1 Corinthians 11 v 17 to

end

Sat Brigid, Abbess of Kildare

Psalm 68

Hosea 8

1 Corinthians 12 v 1 - 11

The Collect for the Third Sunday of Epiphany (Common Worship)
God of all mercy, your Son proclaimed good news to the poor, release to the captives, and freedom to the oppressed: anoint us with your Holy Spirit and set all your people free to praise you in Christ our Lord.

The Collect for the Third Sunday after Epiphany (Book of Common Prayer)
Almighty and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities, and in all our dangers and necessities stretch forth thy right hand to help and defend us; 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 27th Holocaust Memorial Day

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

Gallery to study St Luke's Gospel 2:00 pm The U3A Singing Folk group

Tues 28th 12:00 – 12:30 pm Healing Service

Wed 29th 10:30 – 11:00 am Café RefleXions

12:00 pm Funeral of David Yardley

7:15 – 8:45 pm Being With course starts online. Week One:

Meaning

7:30 pm Harrogate Harmony Men's Chorus

Thurs 30th 9:30 – 11:00 am The Toddler Group at St Peter's

11:00 am Holy Communion

7:00 pm 'Ethics Matters' six weekly lectures with Dr Peter Vardy:

4. A just war?

7:30 pm St Peter's Choir Practice

Fri 31st 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 1st 10:00 am – 3:30 pm St Peter's Fundraising Refreshment Day –

morning coffee, light lunches and afternoon teas!

Sun 2nd The Presentation of Christ in the Temple (Candlemas)

5:30 – 7:00 pm Sanctuary, our youth group, are planning to go on

an outing. See Chris Clayton for further details.

7:15 – 8:45 pm Being With course Week Two: Essence

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

Next Sunday 2nd February 2025 The Presentation of Christ in the Temple (Candlemas)

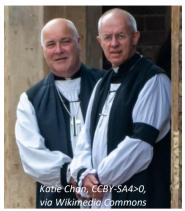
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8:30	Holy Communion
9:30	Family Communion
11:00	Choral Communion
4:15	Stepping Stones Service
	– Celtic Worship
6:30	Candlemas

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 4:30 – 4:50 pm – an opportunity to stock up on tinned, preserved and dried food and toiletries.

The Archbishops of Canterbury and York lead the vision and direction of the Church of England



The Archbishop of Canterbury is the Church's most senior bishop. He or she oversees the ministry and mission in the southern two-thirds of England and fills a unique position as spiritual leader in the worldwide Anglican Church. The second most senior bishop is the Archbishop of York, who oversees the ministry and mission in the northern third of England. Together they lead the vision and direction of the Church of England.

The Archbishop of Canterbury is the 'Primate of All England' (the 'first bishop' of England), the metropolitan archbishop of the ecclesiastical province of Canterbury which covers the southern two-thirds of England, and the bishop of the Diocese of Canterbury.

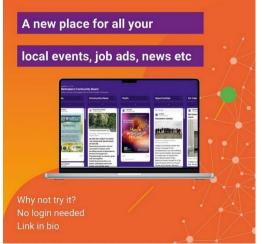
While no one is recognised as head of all the churches that constitute the Anglican Communion, the Archbishop of Canterbury is regarded as its titular leader – the first among equals – and exercises considerable spiritual authority beyond the province of Canterbury. The Archbishop of Canterbury presides over the Lambeth Conferences, the decennial meeting of the bishops of the Anglican Communion, and is president of the Anglican Consultative Council.

The Rt Revd Justin Welby concluded his ministry as the 105th Archbishop of Canterbury at midnight on 7th January 2024. Under the instrument of delegation, his official functions have been delegated mainly to the Archbishop of York, Stephen Cottrell, with some to the Bishop of London, Dame Sarah Mullally (*on the right*), and diocesan functions to the Bishop of Dover, the Rt Revd Dr Rose Hudson-Wilkin.

The Crown Nominations Commission will lead the process of appointing the 106th Archbishop of Canterbury. You can learn more about the appointment of the new Archbishop in the Weekly News in the coming weeks.



Official portrait of The Lord Bishop of London by Roger Harris



News from Netmakers

Netmakers have launched a new **Community Noticeboard** where you can post events, job adverts and other opportunities. To find out more visit: netmakers.org.uk/pf/mighty-network/.

Youth Worship Night has a new venue! They are now meeting at the Wesley Centre, Harrogate at 6:00 pm on the first Sunday of the month – the next meeting is next week 2^{nd} February. If you are in Year 7 – 13 register at <u>netmakers.org.</u> and come along!

Refreshments are served after each of our Sunday morning services from



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

Join the Parish Giving Scheme









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If you would like to support St
Peter's financially, the simplest and
most tax efficient way to do so is via
the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS). You
can join using their website
www.parishgiving.org.uk or give
them a call on 0333 002 1260.
St Peter's PGS number is: 460646304

Next Week's Deadline

The deadline for the next edition of the Weekly News (2nd February) will be noon on Wednesday 29th January. 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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