



Weekly News

29th March 2026

Palm Sunday

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

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J S Bach

St John Passion
(New English translation by Andrew Greenan and John Longstaff)

Toby Ward	Evangelist
Andrew Greenan	Jesus
Richard Cressall	Pilate
Jennifer Clark	soprano
Yvonne Howard	alto
Alex Grainger	tenor
John Longstaff	director

Choir of St Peter's Church
Vocalis (director James Savage-Hanford)
Harrogate Bach Players (leader Fiona Love)

Wednesday 1st April 2026 at 7:15pm

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).



Easter Flowers

St Peter's Flower Team will be decorating our Church for Easter, and any donations 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) directly to Sue Heapy **TODAY** Palm Sunday, 29th March

– please **do not** put your request into the Donations Box, she may not get it in time.

Please bring flowers for the *Flowering of the Cross* on Easter Day

As part of our Easter Day celebrations, we will observe the centuries-old custom of the *flowering of the cross* next Sunday morning. You will be invited to come forward to the empty cross during the service to decorate it with your flowers.

The Christian custom of *flowering the cross* dates back to the sixth century. It may be linked to the story that the Virgin Mary's tears fell at the foot of the cross and turned into flowers. The flower-bedecked cross will stand at the front of our church to symbolize Christ's victory over death by his resurrection on Easter morning. *Alleluia, Christ is risen!*



St Peter's Ladies who Lunch

The *Ladies who Lunch* are meeting again at 12:45 pm on Wednesday 8th April 2025 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 (07540 355 305 or brynsusie@hotmail.com), so she can book you a place at their table.

Come to *The Market Day Café* next Thursday

The *Market Day Café* is on the second Thursday of each month. The next one is next week on Thursday 9th April at 11:30 am after the Holy Communion service. They will be serving hot drinks, homemade soups, fresh sandwiches, scones and delicious cakes!



Can't do early mornings? You can still help!

Are you someone who can't do early mornings but would like to **support Breakfast Club**? If this is you, please let Siân Lockwood (sian.lockwood54@gmail.com) know if you could be available to help for an hour or two with the **annual kitchen deep clean** on Saturday 11th April from 9:30 am – 3:00 pm. Thank you.



HOLY WEEK AT ST PETER'S

Sunday 29th March

Palm Sunday

Tuesday 31st March

Wednesday 1st April

Thursday 2nd April

Maundy Thursday

Friday 3rd April

Good Friday

Sunday 5th April

Easter Day

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

12:00 pm Healing Service

7:15 pm Performance of **Bach St John Passion** with St Peter's Choir, Vocalis, guest singers and an orchestra

11:00 am **Holy Communion**

7:30 pm **Choral Communion commemorating the Last Supper** with St Peter's Choir

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.

Please bring a flower to add to the Easter Flowering Cross

8:30 am **Holy Communion (BCP)**

9:30 am **Family Communion**

11:00 am **Choral Communion (BCP)**

6:30 pm **Choral Evensong** with Holy Communion (BCP)



Leeds Song



Come and sing
**Joseph Haydn
Nelson Mass**
with
Gareth Malone

Leeds Song is delighted to welcome Gareth Malone to the city for a second year, to train the Leeds Song *Bring and Sing!* Chorus in Haydn's triumphant choral work, the *Nelson Mass*. Come along and enjoy raising your voices in uplifting harmony!

The Venue, Leeds Conservatoire
3.00PM rehearsal / 6.00PM concert
Saturday 11 April 2026
www.leedssong.com



SCAN TO BOOK



JERVAULX SINGERS



THE BIRDS AND THE BEES
Music for Nature and Love

Saturday 18th April 2026
at 7:30 pm
St John's Church, Sharow, HG4 5BJ
Tickets £20 from
www.tickettailor.com/events/jervaulx-singers/1936678

Today's Services: 29th March 2026

Palm Sunday

The Sunday next before Easter (BCP)

During our services today palm crosses are 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; **384** Make way; **120** The Servant King; **1404** King of Kings, Majesty

Reading *John Passion reading*

11:00 Choral Matins

Setting Naylor in G (Benedicite)

Hymns 129, 110, 128 (omit *verse)

Psalm 61

Reading *John Passion reading*

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

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

Preacher: Karin Shaw

6:30 Choral Evensong

Setting Gibbons (Short Service)

Hymns 123, 557

Psalm 80

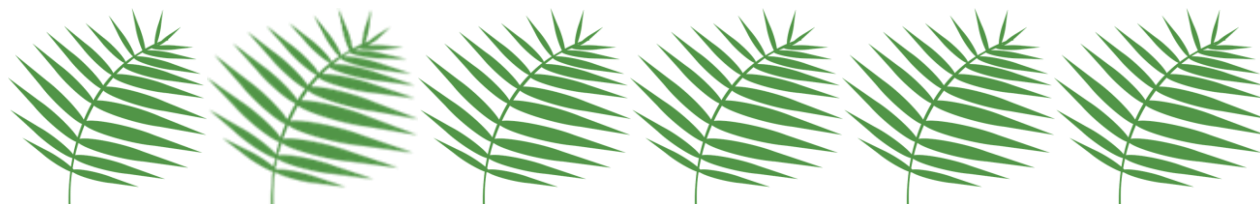
Reading *John Passion reading*

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

Preacher: Hannah Beck

Our Duty Wardens today are:

Eve Hawkins and
Siân Lockwood



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, Bill and Margaret Osborne, Sheila Pantin, Sue Pearce, Celia Preston, Michelle Simon, Sally Sneddon and Edward Vear.

Also in our prayers this week:

Mon Catharine Davies, Licensed Lay Minister
The Jewish community after the appalling attack on the Hatzola ambulances in Golders Green

Tues Karin Shaw, Curate
All who work in foodbanks

Wed St Peter's mini-supermarket
Nigel and Asim, our caretakers

Thurs Social care workers, helping people to live with dignity
All who read the lessons at our services

Fri St Peter's PCC
Our Deanery Representatives

Sat Alan Garrow, Vicar of St Peter's Harrogate School of Theology & Mission

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.

These are the readings we will be using this week:

Mon Psalm 41
Lamentations 1 v 1 – 12a
John 12 v 1 - 11

Tues Psalm 27
Lamentations 3 v 1 - 18
John 12 v 20 - 36

Wed Psalm 102 v 1 - 18
Jeremiah 11 v 18 - 20
John 13 v 21 - 32

Thurs ***Maundy Thursday***
Psalm 42
Leviticus 16 v 2 - 24
John 13 v 1 – 17 and v 31b - 35

Fri ***Good Friday***
Psalm 69
Genesis 22 v 1 - 18
John 18

Sat ***Easter Eve***
Psalm 142
Hosea 6 v 1 - 6
John 2 v 18 - 22

The Collect for the 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 Monday to Thursday, and Saturdays, but from 9:30 am – 1:00 pm on Fridays

- Mon 30th** 11:00 am – 1:00 pm *Sit-n-Knit* in Church
2:00 pm The U3A Singing Folk group
7:15 – 9:30 pm *St John Passion* rehearsal in Church
- Tues 31st** **12:00 – 12:30 pm Healing Service**
- Wed 1st** **10:30 – 11:00 am Café RefleXions**
7:15 pm Performance of *J S Bach St John Passion* with St Peter's Choir, Vocalis, guest singers and an orchestra
- Thurs 2nd** ***Maundy Thursday***
9:30 – 11:00 am The Toddler Group at St Peter's
11:00 am Holy Communion
7:30 pm **Choral Communion commemorating the Last Supper** with St Peter's Choir
- Fri 3rd** ***Good Friday***
9:30 am AA meeting in the Music Room
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
- Sat 4th** *St Peter's Flower Team* are decorating the Church for Easter
- Sun 5th** ***EASTER DAY***
7:30 – 8:30 pm AA meeting in the Brostoff Hall

Next Sunday 5th April 2026

EASTER DAY

- 8:30 Holy Communion
9:30 Family Communion
11:00 Easter Eucharist
4:15 Stepping Stones Service
– *Celtic Worship*
6:30 Choral Evensong with shortened Communion

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.

Health In Harrogate: 200 Years Exhibition & Events



Proud of Our Past, Inspiring the Present, Educating the Future

Harrogate Medical Society and Harrogate Hospital, with the support of Harrogate Civic Society and many other organisations and individuals, have been working hard for the past year on an exhibition and supporting programme to celebrate **the 200th anniversary this April of the Royal Bath Hospital**, Harrogate's first hospital.

The exhibition will showcase the fascinating story of health and wellbeing in Harrogate – from the opening of the first hospital, through Victorian and Edwardian medicine, to modern healthcare and future perspectives. ***Health in Harrogate: 200 Years*** will launch at the West Park Centre, Victoria Avenue, on Monday 6th April and runs until 16th May 2026. The free exhibition is open every Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, 10:30am – 3:00pm; no booking is required.

The exhibition is being supported by a major programme of events. The first event is a fascinating talk by historian, Dr Paul Jennings, in which he explores the ever present fear of illness and possible premature death faced by Victorian and Edwardian parents. Dr Jennings will explore the range of sickness to which children succumbed, the reasons for it and the efforts to improve the situation. This takes place at the West Park Centre on 8th April at 7:00 – 8:30 pm. Tickets cost £10 and are available from <https://www.trybooking.com/uk/events/landing/101617>.

Full details of all the events are on [St Peter's website](#).

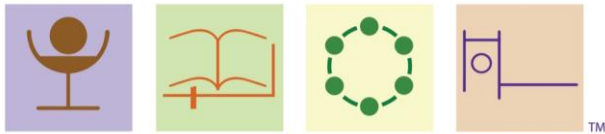


Sick child illustration. Wellcome Collection.

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



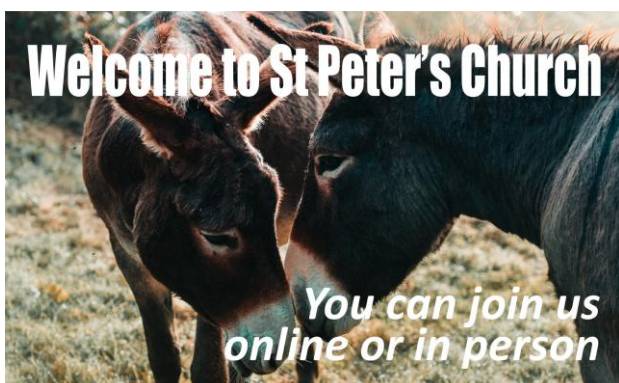
PARISH GIVING SCHEME

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**

The Next Deadline

The deadline for the next edition of the Weekly News (5th April) will be noon on Wednesday 1st April. 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 in the pews and hand it to one of the Clergy.

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NB If you have any concerns from 2nd – 17th April please contact one of the Clergy or the Diocesan Safeguarding Team tel:0113 353 0257 or email safeguarding@leeds.anglican.org

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