

Weekly News

30th March 2025

Mothering Sunday

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

The BIG Conversation about Food

From 1st February – 5th March 2025, St Peter's Church hosted a *Big Conversation* about Food, with a survey inviting people to share their experiences and ideas regarding the role of food in our Church life. Our aim was to reflect on past practices, learn what worked and get ideas to inform our future strategy for food.

Over 100 people provided valuable feedback, identifying 213 appreciated aspects of food initiatives, such as community meals that promote inclusivity and outreach efforts to people struggling to feed themselves well. They also suggested 164 areas for improvement, including more opportunities to join in, such as bringing back evening meals and having a regular weekly café.

There were lots of ideas for new things that we could do including linking and collaborating with other local food-initiatives and offering arts and crafts and cooking workshops. We have gained some new volunteers as well as ideas for ways in which we could enable everyone to support our food ministry.

There is a more detailed summary of the results from the survey, which you can find at the Welcome Desk.



Some of our amazing volunteers in the kitchen (from the left): Siân Lockwood, Jill Hipkin, Marcia Sanchez, Catherine Medforth, Anne Spedding and Jan Edwards

The insights from this survey were discussed at a special PCC Away Day held on 22nd March. The PCC was unified in its commitment to enhancing and improving our food ministry. They agreed that gathering evidence of what is being done and what works will inform our prayerful discernment of the best strategy to develop our food ministry in alignment with our Church's mission.

Siân Lockwood, Churchwarden of St Peter's Church



St Peter's Afternoon Fellowship on Tuesday

St Peter's Afternoon Fellowship meets on the first Tuesday of the month from 2:00 – 4:00 pm at Church. The next meeting is this Tuesday 1st April, when Alan Lunn will be playing his guitar and singing, and afternoon tea will also be served. Please contact Leigh Thompson (leigh.a.thompson@hotmail.co.uk or 07824 747 912) if you would like to come.

Come to The Market Day Café next Thursday

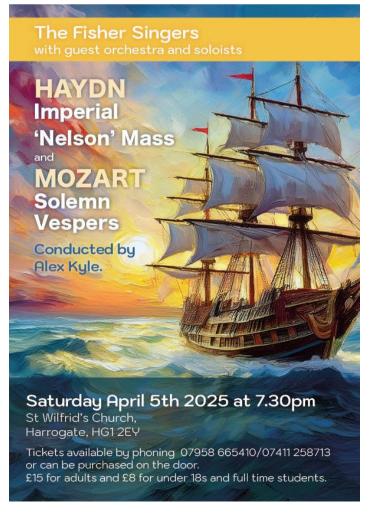
The *Market Day Café* is on the second Thursday of each month. The next one is next week on Thursday 10th April at 11:30 am after the Holy Communion service. They will be serving hot drinks, homemade soups, fresh sandwiches, scones and delicious cakes!





St Peter's Ladies who Lunch are back!

After a break, the *Ladies who Lunch* are back and will be meeting again at 12:15 pm on **Friday 11**th **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.





St Peter's Good Friday Prayer Walk

A walk of reflection, meditation and worship

Helen Harrison will be organising a *St Peter's Good Friday Prayer Walk* on Friday 18th April. The intention is to do a circular walk to Pannal, starting in St Mary's Chapel at St Peter's Church at 9:00 am and returning there by 2:00 pm to attend the 'An Hour before the Cross' service.

As always it will be possible for anyone to choose how far they can walk and pick up/drop off points will be arranged. As we walk, we will pause to pray, share poems and listen to appropriate music, to help us to reflect upon the Good Friday scriptures. We will also stop for lunch, perhaps a 'bring and share lunch', in Pannal? Please speak to Helen or contact her on hfhudy5@gmail.com if you would like to join us on this walk.



St Peter's Evening Fellowship

The next meeting is on Thursday 3rd April at 7:30pm in the Brostoff Hall. This month's speaker is Carol Tetlow, who you may recall gave a most entertaining talk last August entitled *Stethoscope Secrets*. She will be following this up with a new talk, hot off the press, entitled *Stethoscope Secrets*, *Part 2*. You are most welcome to join us, current member or not. Further details from Richard Bion (*07966 073 867* or *richardbion9@gmail.com*).



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 before Palm Sunday 13th April.

The Knitted Bible comes to Wetherby: 25th March – 6th April

Come and enjoy this fascinating display of no less than thirty-six scenes from the Bible, each one hand-knitted. Displayed at churches and venues around Wetherby, you can marvel at the Creation and end up at the Resurrection and the Breakfast on the Beach. Entry is free, but donations are welcome. A guidebook is available from St Joseph's Catholic Church for £1 or you can download one for free at https://www.stjosephs-wetherby.org.uk/news.

The next meeting of the Mothers' Union in Harrogate will be on Tuesday 1st April at 2:00 pm at St Mark's Church, when there will be a talk on the origins of hymn tunes. All are welcome.

Today's Services: 30th March 2025

Mothering Sunday

The Fourth Sunday in Lent (BCP)



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 393 Morning has broken; Mothering God; 27 As the deer pants

for the water; 357 Lord Jesus Christ

Readings Exodus 2 v 1 - 10

Luke 2 v 33 - 35

Preacher: Karin Shaw

11:00 Choral Matins

Setting Dyson in F (Benedicite)

Hymns 238, 517, 469

Psalm 85

Readings 1 Samuel 1 v 20 to end

Luke 2 v 33 - 35

Anthem Renew us by thy goodness (*J S Bach*)

Preacher: Alan Garrow

4:15 pm Stepping Stones Service *Mothering Sunday*

Preacher: Sam Clayton

6:30 Choral Evensong

Setting Tallis (Dorian Mode)

Hymns 477, 109, 507

Psalm 30

Readings Joshua 5 v 9 - 12

Luke 15 v 1 – 3 and v 11b to end

Anthem Lord, let me know mine end (*Greene*)

Preacher: Alan Garrow

A BIG THANK YOU

to 10th Harrogate St Peter's Brownies and Guides for making the posies for today –

Mothering Sunday!

Our Duty Wardens today are:

Siân Lockwood

and Rachel Fell

Please pray for those who have asked for our prayers:

Pat Anderson, Bonnie Carter, Graham Cornish, Jane Crabtree, Danielle Crane, Nicole Crane, Tony Edwards, Louise Emrullahu, June Hemmings, Trevor Hughes, Kim Okell, Sheila Pantin, Sue Pearce, Lynda Pilmoor, Matthew Pindell, Celia Preston, Richard Sadler, Michelle Simon and Suzanne Simon.

Also in our prayers this week:

Mon Western Primary School

St Peter's Sunday Club

Tues Rough sleepers and the homeless

St Peter's Breakfast Club

Wed The *Thinking about God* group

The Weekly News Editorial Team

Thurs Our armed forces serving at home

and overseas

The British Army Brigade

deployed in Estonia and Poland as

part of NATO's security and

defence

Fri North Yorkshire Council

Stewart Davies, Lay Reader

Sat Wellspring Therapy & Training,

supporting people in distress and promoting good mental health All those suffering from anxiety

and depression

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 John Donne, Priest, Poet,

1631

Psalm 77

Jeremiah 17 v 5 - 18 John 9 v 18 to end

Tues Frederick Denison Maurice.

Priest, Teacher, 1872

Psalm 79

Jeremiah 18 v 1 - 12

John 10 v 1 - 10

Wed Psalm 63

Jeremiah 18 v 13 to end

John 10 v 11 - 21

Thurs Psalm 86

Jeremiah 19 v 1 - 13 John 10 v 22 to end

Fri Psalm 102

Jeremiah 19 v 14 – 20 v 6

John 11 v 1 - 16

Sat Psalm 42

Jeremiah 20 v 7 to end

John 11 v 17 - 27

The Collect for Mothering Sunday (Common Worship) God of love, passionate and

strong, tender and careful:

watch over us and hold us all the days of our life; through

Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Collect for the Fourth Sunday in Lent (Book of Common Prayer)

Grant, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that we, who for our evil deeds do worthily deserve to be punished, by the comfort of thy grace may mercifully be relieved; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

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 31st 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 study St Luke's Gospel 2:00 pm The U3A Singing Folk group

Tues 1st 12:00 – 12:30 pm Healing Service

2:00 – 4:00 pm St Peter's Afternoon Fellowship

Wed 2nd 10:30 – 11:00 am Café RefleXions

7:15 – 8:45 pm *Being With* online course. Week Ten:

Resurrection

7:30 pm Harrogate Harmony Men's Chorus

Thurs 3rd 9:30 – 11:00 am The Toddler Group at St Peter's

11:00 am Holy Communion

7:30 pm St Peter's Evening Fellowship

7:30 pm St Peter's Choir Practice

Fri 4th 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 5th 10:00 am – 3:30 pm *Harrogate Rotary Brigantes* are holding a

Refreshment Day in St Peter's Church

Sun 6th The Fifth Sunday in Lent

Passiontide begins

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

Next Sunday 6th April 2025 Passiontide begins

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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	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.

The Installation of the new Archdeacon of Richmond and Craven



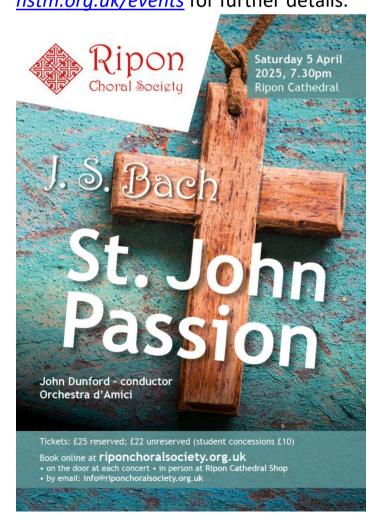
Canon Dr James Theodosius will soon be the new Archdeacon of Richmond and Craven. He knows the Ripon Episcopal Area well as he was Vicar of Upper Wharfedale and Littondale for ten years, before serving as Rector of Holy Trinity, Skipton, where he was also Area Dean. He will be installed at Ripon Cathedral next Sunday 6th April at 3:30 pm in a service which will also see the installations of the new Canon Pastor, the Revd Wendy Dalrymple, and a new

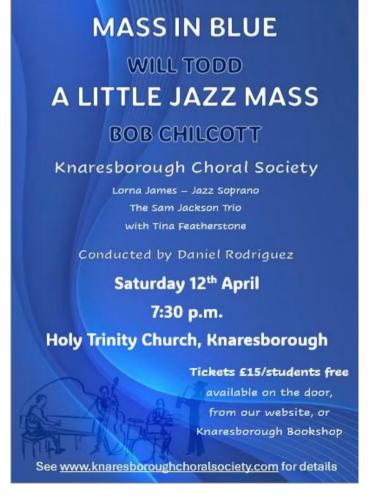
Honorary Canon, the Revd Dr Sue McWhinney, with Bishop Nick Baines officiating.

Harrogate School of Theology & Mission

Being the Body of Christ: How can we include people living with invisible illnesses and chronic conditions in our church communities? — a seminar by Dr Penny Pullan This is on Saturday 12th April at Woodlands Methodist Church on Wetherby Road, starting with breakfast at 9:30 am, followed by a presentation by Penny Pullan and an interactive session. Tickets cost £5, under 18s are free. Booking in advance via Eventbrite, visit hstm.org.uk/events for further details.

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Refreshments are served after each of our Sunday morning services from



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

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Next Week's Deadline

The deadline for the next edition of the Weekly News (6th April) will be noon on Wednesday 2nd April. 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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