



Weekly News

3rd May 2026

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

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The Revd Juliet Balme joins us in July!

Yes, Juliet who was with us on placement at the end of last year, will be joining us as a Self-Supporting Curate following her ordination as Deacon at Bradford Cathedral on Saturday 4th July 2026! Juliet, who will continue to work as an artist, will be with us on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Sundays. She writes:

"As an artist I have led many All-Age Holiday Days at the Cathedral, particularly with my Colouring Calm drawings, and sometimes use a really long one for everyone to colour together!

In recent years I have organised weeklong Children's Summer Holiday Clubs in Sharow. I also use Colouring Calm when I lead regular Art and Spirituality Day Retreats every quarter. First, I was at Harrogate Art College, then studied Graphics at Newcastle-upon-Tyne, and I briefly worked in the Display Team when Marks and Spencer were next door!

Moving one street over I created the Hewlett's store window displays, before becoming a freelance artist and illustrator.

I lived and worked in Harrogate and Knaresborough previously, but now I live in a village near Ripon. I have an artist husband and a recently graduated son - you may have seen him working as part of the facilities team at St Peter's on Saturdays. I love art and crafts, cats, seaside and family time, when I'm not drawing or reading theology for college."



Thank you to everyone involved in the St Peter's Refreshment Day on Saturday 25th April - £702.20 was raised for our Church funds. The book sale raised £650.74. With special thanks to Catherine Medforth and Daniel Brewer.



Say it with Flowers

Why not mark a special occasion, such as an anniversary, a new baby or a birthday, by making a donation towards the flowers in Church? The St Peter's Flower Team will make an arrangement on the pedestal to the right of the altar, and you will also receive a mention in the Weekly News. Please speak directly to Sue Heapy for further details (07540 355 305).

Rogationtide Walk next Sunday 10th May

Helen Harrison and Nick Anderson plan to lead a prayer walk on Rogation Sunday 10th May after the 9:30 am service. Please meet in St Mary's Chapel at 10:45 am to walk around St Peter's Parish Boundary (approximately 3 miles). A simple ploughman's lunch will be served in Church afterwards. Please let Helen (hfhudy5@gmail.com) know if you would like to come. All welcome!

CAP Life Skills Course starts on 6th May

CAP Life Skills is a friendly group that gives people the confidence and decision making skills they need to survive life on a low income. We teach people practical money saving techniques, such as cooking on a budget, living healthily on less, and making your money go further. There are seven weekly sessions starting on 6th May, 1:00 – 2:00 pm, at Mowbray Community Church, Westmoreland Street. Contact Samantha Price (07935 223 663 or samanthaprice@capuk.org) for details or to book a place.



Canon Alan Garrow to preach at Ripon Cathedral on Thursday 14th May

Alan is preaching at *Festal Eucharist for Ascension Day* at 5:30 pm at the Cathedral, followed by celebration drinks in the South Transept. Forty days after Easter, Christ left the earth and returned to his Father in heaven. Celebrate with us!

Thy Kingdom Come resources

Thy Kingdom Come (TKC) is a worldwide prayer movement that happens each year between Ascension Day and Pentecost. This year the **Prayer Journal** (written by the Revd Canon Chris Russell) and the **2026 Novena** (written by Archbishop Sarah Mullally) can be downloaded for free from thykingdomcome.global/resources-0. There are digital downloads of the *Digital Detox* journals and resources for children, too. You can also order printed copies from CPO.



Netmakers are recruiting a new Charity Lead

Do you have a heart for local mission, especially among young people? Do you want to see our town transformed with the Gospel? Are you someone who enjoys connecting and serving people from a variety of different backgrounds to help them work together? Are you administratively gifted and able to ensure Netmakers remains a safe and effective organisation? If so, this role might be for you. Please feel free to get in touch if you'd like to find out more: netmakers.org.uk



Closing date: Friday 8th May. **Interview date:** Friday 15th May.

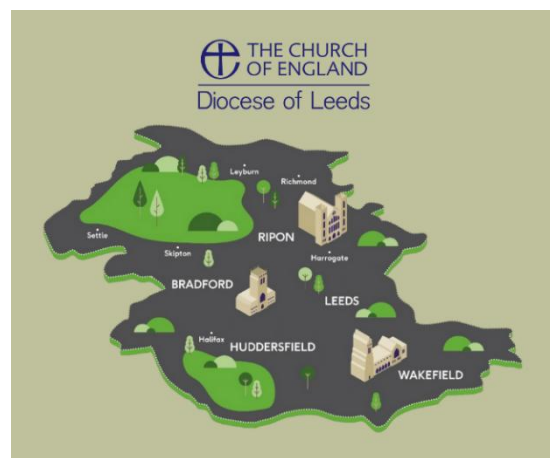
Come to *The Market Day Café* next Thursday



The *Market Day Café* is on the second Thursday of each month. The next one is next week on Thursday 14th May at 11:30 am after the Holy Communion service. They will be serving hot drinks, homemade soups, fresh sandwiches, scones and delicious cakes!

Diocese of Leeds Vacancy in See

The Rt Revd Toby Howarth, Bishop of Bradford, became Acting Bishop of Leeds on 1st December 2025, following the retirement of Nick Baines. The Vacancy in See committee has completed its work - the creation of a Statement of Needs and the election of six representatives to the Crown Nomination Commission (CNC). The CNC is responsible for identifying and recommending candidates for the role of diocesan bishop and will be meeting on 13th and 14th May. Then the candidate's name will be submitted to the Prime Minister, who advises the King to make an appointment and an announcement of the new Bishop is expected in the coming months.



Helen Harrison is taking part in *Trek26* for the *Alzheimer's Society*



Trek26 is a 26 mile charity walk through London on 9th May 2026. Helen wants to walk for all those known to her through her circle of friends and families at St Peter's and beyond, affected by this devastating disease. If you would like to support her in this challenge and give to this charity that touches the hearts of many, please follow the [JustGiving link](#). Alternatively, please contact Helen on 07879 877 353 or hfhudy5@gmail.com.

Today's Services: 3rd May 2026

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

The Fourth Sunday after Easter (BCP)

8:30 Holy Communion

9:30 Family Communion

*As it is the first Sunday of the month, 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 **379** Majesty; **236** I'm special; **573** We break this bread; **362**
Shine, Jesus, shine

Readings John 20 v 10 - 18

Preacher: Alan Garrow

Our Duty Wardens today are:

Siân Lockwood and

Richard Bion

11:00 Choral Communion

Setting Darke in E

Hymns 140, 135, 138, 612

Readings Acts 7 v 55 to end

John 20 v 10 - 18

Anthem Ave verum corpus (*Elgar*)

Preacher: Hannah Beck

2:30 Baptism of Ralphie Henry

4:15 Stepping Stones Service *Celtic Worship*

(arrivals and refreshments 3:45 pm)

Preacher: Alan Garrow

6:30 Choral Evensong

Setting Aston in F

Hymns 528, 487, 502 (omit *verse)

Psalms 147

Readings Zechariah 4 v 1 - 10

Revelation 21 v 1 - 14

Anthem The Spirit of the Lord (*Elgar*)

Preacher: Alan Garrow

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

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	St Peter's Sacristans The Weekly News Editorial Team
Thurs	Our armed forces serving at home and overseas The local elections taking place in many parts of England today
Fri	North Yorkshire Council Stewart Davies, Lay Reader
Sat	<i>Wellspring Therapy & Training</i> , promoting good mental health Helen Harrison taking part in <i>Trek26</i> in London today

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	<i>English Saints and Martyrs of the Reformation Era</i> Psalm 145 Numbers 9 v 15 to end John 17 v 20 - 26
Tues	Psalm 19 Numbers 11 v 1 - 33 John 18 v 1 - 14
Wed	Psalm 30 Numbers 12 John 18 v 15 - 27
Thurs	Psalm 57 Numbers 13 v 1 – 3 and v 17 to end John 18 v 28 - 40
Fri	<i>Julian of Norwich, Spiritual Writer, c 1417</i> Psalm 138 Numbers 14 v 1 - 25 John 19 v 1 – 16a
Sat	Psalm 146 Numbers 14 v 26 to end John 19 v 16b - 30

The Collect for the Fifth Sunday of Easter

(Common Worship)

Risen Christ, your wounds declare your love for the world and the wonder of your risen life: give us compassion and courage to risk ourselves for those we serve, to the glory of God the Father.

The Collect for the Fourth Sunday after Easter

(Book of Common Prayer)

O Almighty God, who alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinful men; Grant unto thy people, that they may love the thing which thou commandest, and desire that which thou dost promise; that so, among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed, where true joys are to be found; 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 4th** ***May Day Bank Holiday***
- Tues 5th** **12:00 – 12:30 pm Healing Service**
- Wed 6th** **10:30 – 11:00 am Café RefleXions**
2:00 – 3:30 pm Art Class for Adults with Helena
7:30 pm Harrogate Harmony Men's Chorus
- Thurs 7th** 9:30 – 11:00 am The Toddler Group at St Peter's
11:00 am Holy Communion
7:30 pm St Peter's Choir Practice
- Fri 8th** 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 9th**
- Sun 10th** ***The Sixth Sunday of Easter***
10:45 am Rogationtide Walk, please meet in St Mary's Chapel to walk round St Peter's Parish boundary
5:30 – 7:00 pm **Sanctuary**, our Youth Group, are meeting in the Brostoff Hall
7:30 – 8:30 pm AA meeting in the Brostoff Hall

The next meeting of the Mothers' Union in Harrogate will be on Tuesday 5th May at 2:00 pm in St Mark's Church when Tony Wilson will be giving a talk entitled 'Birds around the Church'. All are welcome.

Next Sunday 10th May 2026

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

- 8:30 Holy Communion
9:30 Family Communion
11:00 Choral Matins
4:15 Stepping Stones Service
 – *Holy Communion*
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.

Who will Christian Aid Week support this year?

This **Christian Aid Week**, your support could help parents in Nairobi, Kenya, facing the devastating reality of urban poverty and the daily struggle to feed their children. Belinda Kasudi lives with her husband, David, and their five children in a one-room rented home in Dagoretti, Nairobi. Space is tight and income is uncertain. Work in the settlement is unreliable and when there is no work, there is no money. And when there is no money, there is no food.




Belinda heard about *Imarisha Kilimo*, a project supporting women to grow nutritious food in the city. Through the project, Belinda received tools, seeds and a cone garden - this space-efficient design allows many plants to grow in a very small area. Belinda's urban farm now produces spinach, beetroot, maize and local vegetables. When she sells what she does not need, she earns

money for school costs and household essentials. Belinda hopes that her children seen here with her in the garden - Abigail, Blessing and Wilson - will follow her into urban farming. **Find out more about the campaign at caweek.org.**

Afternoon tea concert at
St Peter's, Harrogate

Songs with Scones

Light Musical Entertainment
from TrebleClef
followed by refreshments




2pm on Saturday
16th May 2026

Tickets £10 proceeds to St Peter's music

Share joy Grow hope Fight hunger

Join the fun this Christian Aid Week, 10-16 May, and put **hope into action.**



Fridah, with grandson Quilian, joined a Christian Aid funded urban farming project in Nairobi, Kenya.

Could you deliver **Christian Aid** envelopes in your area?


Could you bake a cake for a **Christian Aid Refreshment Day** on Saturday 23rd May at St Peter's or come and help on the day? Please contact Judith Simpson (01423 564842). Thank you for your support.

In aid of
christian aid

Together we can support someone like Fridah to grow food, protect their children from hunger and nurture hope.

#7DaysToMakeADifference

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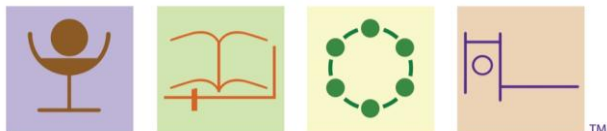


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Refreshments are served after each of our Sunday morning services from the kitchen area at the front of Church. Please come and join us.



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 (10th May) will be noon on Wednesday 6th May. 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 at the end of the pews and hand it to one of the Clergy.

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