



Weekly News

8th May 2022

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

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Could you serve on the Parochial Church Council?

Our Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) takes place on **24th May at 7:00pm at St Peter's Church**. One thing we do at that meeting is elect new members of the Parochial Church Council (PCC). The PCC is the key decision-making body in the life of the church. It consists of clergy, churchwardens and others elected by the APCM. It is responsible for sharing the leadership, management and administration of a parish with the Vicar. To find out more about what it means to be a member of the PCC, and to see minutes of our previous meetings, visit the [Parochial Church Council \(PCC\) page](#) of the Church website.

To stand for election to the PCC you need to be an actual communicant, aged 16 or over, and not disqualified (e.g. by conviction of certain offences, disqualification as a company director or entry on a 'barred list'), and must be on the Church Electoral Roll (and, unless under 18, have been on the roll for at least 6 months). We will have space for eleven new elected council members and one Deanery Synod representative. If you would like to find out more, then do talk with one of the Clergy, Churchwardens or existing members of the PCC. The nomination forms are now available at the Welcome Desk and can also be downloaded from the [PCC page](#) of the Church website.

A healthy PCC is vital to the stability and vigour of the local church. If you have relevant experience, or you are involved in an aspect of Church life that is currently under-represented, please do consider standing.



Alan Garrow, Vicar of St Peter's Church

Janet Zirugo: a grandmother who transformed her barren land into a garden of plenty

Our planet is changing, but some people are feeling the effects of these changes more than others. Weather extremes are now more frequent and more intense, and the world is facing a climate crisis. One country that is on the frontlines of this crisis is Zimbabwe. In rural Zimbabwe, seven out of ten women rely on farming to earn a living and provide for their families.

One woman who has faced the worst of the climate crisis is Janet Zirugo, a grandmother from Zimbabwe. She remembers the year the rains did not come and there was a severe drought that pushed her family into desperate hunger.



Janet Zirugo waters fine beans in her garden

Christian Aid/David Brazier

Working with Christian Aid, Janet learned about drought-tolerant crops, how to water plants in the dry season and her family built a storeroom to preserve food so they have the resilience to bounce back from future droughts. Now Janet's life is transformed, with the support of Christian Aid, she was able to bring her family through a painful time and turn her barren land into a garden of plenty.

Please donate this Christian Aid Week (15th – 21st May). Collection envelopes will be available in Church next Sunday and a St Peter's Christian Aid e-envelope has been set up – <https://envelope.christianaid.org.uk/envelope/st-peters-harrogate> - just follow this link to donate online. Or why not join our team delivering envelopes in Harrogate? If you can help please contact Judith Simpson on 01423 564842 or by email: judiannesimpson@btinternet.com.

St Peter's Afternoon Fellowship

St Peter's Afternoon Fellowship next meets on Monday 9th May from 2:00 – 4:00 pm at Gillian Taylor's home. In a last minute change to the advertised programme, John Longstaff, the Director of Music at St Peter's, will now be playing the piano for us and as always there will be a delicious afternoon tea. Please call Gillian on 01423 500482 if you would like to come.



Leeds Diocesan Eco Book and Film Group

Where is God in all this? Meeting monthly across the Diocese to share opinions and views. The next meeting will be on Tuesday 17th May from 10:00 – 11:30am via a Zoom link, when we will be discussing **21st Century Nature Poetry** from British poets such as Simon Armitage, Carol Ann Duffy, Rowan Williams, Ruth Padel and Malcolm Guite. The poems and a brief biography of the poets will be provided. Please register your interest with Christine Jack (cajack1@gmail.com).



All completed application forms need to be returned to Church **before tomorrow Monday 9th May**, otherwise you will not be eligible to attend or to vote at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting on 24th May 2022.

Sanctuary, St Peter's Youth Group, are out and about!

Sanctuary are meeting this evening at Church at the usual time (5:30 pm) and will be going on to the Stray (weather permitting) for a variety of outdoor wide games. Chris asks everyone to wear appropriate footwear. Pick-up will be back at Church at the normal time (7:00 pm).



The Cathedral Beer Festival returns

Despite grey skies and some light rain, Ripon Cathedral's Beer Festival returned to The Dean's Garden on Bank Holiday Monday following a three-year break due to the COVID pandemic. It was part of a whole weekend of special events as the Cathedral launched its 1350th anniversary celebrations, with lots more to come this summer and autumn.

Pictured here (*from left to right*) are Canon Ailsa Newby; Dr Ronny Krippner, Director of Music; and the Dean John Dobson. Great Bavarian outfit and beer stein, Dr Krippner!

Evening Fellowship at St Peter's – 2022/2023 Programme

Evening Fellowship is an informal gathering with the emphasis very much on fun and fellowship. Meetings are held at 7:30 pm on the first Thursday of the month.

2022

2nd June

In the Shadow of the Galilean – Sue and Bryn Heapy

7th July

Outing to Beckett Street Cemetery – Alan Pugh

4th August

Albania: A Secret Land Revealed – Professor Joyce Hill

1st September

Medieval Glass in York – Paul Medforth

6th October

Peak District - Tony Burkitt

3rd November

Walking the Way – Tony Lee

1st December

Annual Dinner

And in **2023**, there is no meeting in January, but

2nd February

Quiz Night - hosted by Nigel McClea

2nd March

Annual General Meeting followed by
Parish Churches through the Ages – Tony Wilson

Today's Services: 8th May 2022

The Four Sunday of Easter

The Second Sunday after Easter (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 **1030** The Lord's my Shepherd; **811** I need You; **762** Here is bread; Our God is a great big God

Readings Acts 9 v 36 to end
John 10 v 22 - 30

Preacher: Alan Garrow

11:00 Choral Matins

Setting Stanford in C (Te Deum)

Hymns 144, 520, 162

Psalm 146

Readings Genesis 7 v 1 – 5 and 11 - 18
John 10 v 22 - 30

Anthem Christ the Lord is risen again (*Rutter*)

Preacher: Sarah Martin

2:30 pm Baptism of Neave Mason

4:15 pm Stepping Stones Service *Holy Communion*

Preacher: Sam Clayton

6:30 Choral Evensong

Setting Stanford in A

Hymns 528, 487, 502 (omit *verse)

Psalms 113, 114

Readings Isaiah 63 v 7 - 14
Luke 24 v 36 - 49

Anthem In exitu Israel (*S Wesley*)

Preacher: Alan Garrow

Our Duty Wardens today are:

**Sian Lockwood
and Carrie Brown**

This week's worship online

We are continuing to live stream the following services on Facebook and Zoom: 9:30 am Family Communion on Sundays (also available on *St Peter's YouTube channel* to watch later); and Morning and Evening Prayer at 8:00 am and 5:00 pm from Monday to Saturday. To join in follow the [links](#) on our website.

Please pray for those who have asked for our prayers:

Pat Anderson, Robert Bickford, Ruth Bowes, Margie Dickinson, Jan Edwards, Geni Emrullahu, Louise Emrullahu, Jo Fellows, David Fisher, Vicky Harrison, June Hemmings, Trevor Hughes, Jackie Kelly, Elaine Manaley, Charlie Martineau, Sheila Pantin, Frances Roxby-Proud and Michelle 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** Those giving to support the work of our Church
Lauren and Tyrone getting married at St Peter's today
- Thurs** The hundreds of people still trapped in the steel plant in Mariupol, Ukraine
All whose lives are devastated by war and civil strife
- Fri** St Peter's Music Group
Stewart Davies, Lay Reader
- Sat** Amelia Vance and Vendel Keszthelyi being confirmed tomorrow at St Mark's Church
St Peter's Evening Fellowship

Daily Readings

Morning Prayer is at 8:00 am and Evening Prayer at 5:00 pm daily. These are the Bible readings we will be using in Church each morning this week. Why not read them at home if you are unable to come to the service?

- Mon** Psalm 103
Exodus 32 v 1 - 14
Luke 2 v 41 to end
- Tues** Psalm 48
Exodus 32 v 15 - 34
Luke 3 v 1 - 14
- Wed** Psalm 135
Exodus 33
Luke 3 v 15 - 22
- Thurs** *George Dix, Priest, Monk, Scholar 1952*
Psalm 57
Exodus 34 v 1 – 10 and v 27 to end
Luke 4 v 1 - 13
- Fri** Psalm 51
Exodus 35 v 20 – 36 v 7
Luke 4 v 14 - 30
- Sat** Psalm 34
Exodus 40 v 17 to end
Luke 4 v 31 - 37

The Collect for the Fourth Sunday of Easter

(Common Worship)

Risen Christ, faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep:
teach us to hear your voice and to follow your command, that all your people may be gathered into one flock, to the glory of God the Father.

The Collect for the Third Sunday after Easter

(Book of Common Prayer)

Almighty God, who shewest to them that be in error the light of thy truth, to the intent that they may return into the way of righteousness: Grant unto all them that are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may eschew those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ.

What's on This Week

St Peter's Church is open for private prayer from 11:00 am – 1:00 pm every day except Sundays.

- Mon 9th** 2:00 pm The U3A Singing Folk group
2:00 – 4:00 pm St Peter's Afternoon Fellowship at Gillian Taylor's
6:00 pm AA meeting in the Music Room
- Tues 10th** **12:00 – 12:30 pm Healing Service**
12:30 – 2:00 pm The Wellbeing Choir
- Wed 11th** **10:30 – 11:00 am Café RefleXions**
11:30 am – 1:15 pm *Harrogate Rethink* Support Group
1:30 pm Wedding of Lauren and Tyrone
6:00 – 8:30 pm The Everybody Welcome Course
7:30 pm Harrogate Harmony Men's Chorus
- Thurs 12th** 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 13th** 9:30 am AA meeting in the Music Room
- Sat 14th** 10:00 am – 3:00 pm Harrogate Operatic Society are holding a Refreshment Day
- Sun 15th** ***The Fifth Sunday of Easter***
1:00 – 1:30 pm Sunday Lunch
6:30 – 7:30 pm **Sanctuary**, our Youth group, are invited to attend the Confirmation Service at St Mark's Church, Leeds Road, to support Amelia Vance and Vendel Keszthelyi, who are being confirmed by the Bishop of Ripon. Please arrive at St Mark's in good time from 6:00 pm onwards.

Next Sunday 15th May

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

- 8:30 Holy Communion
9:30 Family Communion
11:00 Choral Matins
4:15 Stepping Stones Service
– *Crafternoon*
6:30 Choral Communion

The Breakfast Club provides a free, hot breakfast from Monday to Saturday (8:20 – 8:45 am) for all those who are hungry or in need.

A hot **Sunday Lunch** is served from 1:00 – 1:30 pm.

Hot food is available 4:30 – 4:50 pm on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Our mini Supermarket is on Thursdays 4:30 – 4:50 pm.



Get involved in 70 Acts of Service

This is an invitation to you to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee by serving others. In honour of the Queen's 70 years of faith and service, HOPE Together has listed [70 Acts of Service](#). You can let them know how you get on by tagging them on social media with the hashtags #70acts #theplatinum jubilee. Here are the next five suggestions:

51. Survive the day by using no more than 4 litres of water to wash, eat and drink - people in rich countries use 10 times more water than those in poor countries.
52. Eat plain rice for each of your meals today - rice is the staple diet of over three billion people.
53. Do not put the light on when it gets dark tonight - approximately 76% of the world's population has no electric lighting in their homes.
54. Write a letter to someone facing persecution – find out how at www.amnesty.org.uk/write-for-rights or www.csw.org.uk/connectencourage
55. Sew some reusable sanitary towels for women in the third world www.sewconfident.co.uk/charity/

Find out more at www.hopetogether.org.uk - putting faith into words and actions.

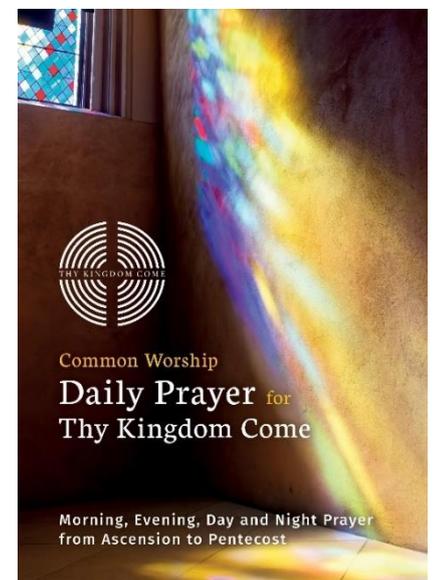
Daily Prayer for Thy Kingdom Come

Thy Kingdom Come is a global prayer movement inviting Christians to pray for the eleven days between Ascension Day and Pentecost.

The *Daily Prayer for Thy Kingdom Come* booklet offers Morning, Evening, Day and Night Prayer material taken from Common Worship, and is an ideal introduction to the rhythms and benefits of praying regularly.

There is also a free App to download for [iOS](#) and [Android](#) which has the services, psalms and readings from the booklet.

From Ascension Day (26th May), you can also [get Alexa and Google Home](#) to 'Ask the Church of England for today's Thy Kingdom Come' to hear a short service of Prayer During the Day (before 7:00 pm) and Night Prayer (after 7:00 pm) throughout the 11 days.



A novena is an ancient tradition of devotional praying in Christianity, with prayers repeated for nine successive days. The 2022 *Thy Kingdom Come Novena* has daily readings from the book of 1 Peter, with reflections written by Archbishop Justin Welby, and linoprint illustrations by Anna Heslop.

For more information and to download resources for free visit www.thykingdomcome.global.

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



We Need Your Help

St Peter's is continuing to give out food **every day** to those in need. Please, when you do your shopping this week, remember to pick up an extra few tins or some toiletries to bring to Church next week to put in the hamper. Thank you!



*The banns of marriage are published **Bethany Jane Elizabeth Connell** and **Richard William Bywater**. This is for the second time of asking.*

If any of you know any reason in law why they may not marry each other you are to declare it.

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.

Next Week's Deadline

The deadline for the next edition of the Weekly News (15th May) will be noon on Wednesday 11th May. Please send any items (including photos) to Alan Garrow **or** to Marian Chambers (addresses below).

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