



Weekly News

18th March 2018

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

For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed

In Holy Week Christians again follow the journey of Jesus from his triumphant entry into Jerusalem, through his suffering and death on the cross to his resurrection. This year you may also like to explore the links between these events and Passover with a special meal that draws us into the rich symbolism of our Jewish and Christian heritage.

The Seder is the Jewish ritual meal held on the first night of Passover – this year on Good Friday 30th March. Passover had already been celebrated for twelve centuries at the time of Jesus. It was one of three festivals for which observant Jews were required to go to Jerusalem. Central to the Seder is the preparation of a lamb, the retelling of the Exodus story, the passing of the cup of wine and the eating of unleavened bread.



The first Passover is documented in Exodus, chapter 12. God promised to kill the firstborn son in every household in Egypt, sparing only those Hebrews who followed the Passover instructions. They had to take their best lamb for slaughter and use its blood to mark around their doorposts with a hyssop branch. The angel of God would pass over the marked houses and leave the people inside unharmed. The Egyptians succumbed and immediately released the Hebrews from slavery.

The last meal Jesus shared with his disciples is described in all four gospels, it was to celebrate Passover and he was already aware of his coming Passion. Thus the meal became infused with added meaning, as Jesus himself assumed the role of the sacrificial lamb, giving his body (bread) and shedding his blood (wine) for the salvation of all. Henceforth, Christians would make the link between the liberating act of God in the Exodus story and the salvation won through Christ's death and resurrection.

As the early Church evolved and Christians came together to remember the death and resurrection of Jesus, the traditions of Judaism shaped their worship - including the celebration which we know today as Holy Communion. Each time we celebrate Communion we connect with a history that extends to our Jewish ancestors in faith. Sharing a Seder meal is one way to explore this history, so if you would like to come, on Monday 26th March at 6:00 pm, then please sign the list at the back of Church.

Marian Chambers, *Weekly News and Parish Newsletter Editor*

Sunday Lunch Club Meets Today!

It is open to everyone and there's no need to book or bring anything – although donations towards the cost will, of course, be very welcome! Lunch today will be served at 1:00 pm. Please speak to Hannah Beck (07503 186455) or Yvonne Dawes (07960 779381) if you need to know more.

Would you like to sponsor our 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 by name alongside the Easter Lilies on the High Altar, please give that person's name along with any donation (**cash only, please**) to Jennifer Cornish (gpcjmc33@gmail.com) before 25th March.



The vote at ASDA closes on 31st March!



Asda's green token scheme provides funding for local charities and as you know *St Peter's Breakfast Club* has been nominated by Angela Smith, Community Champion at Asda Harrogate, as one of this month's charities. If you shop at Asda Harrogate, please ask at the checkout for your green charity tokens and post them into the *St Peter's Breakfast Club* box in the store! At present we are running neck and neck with another nominee, so every token counts. Thank you!

HOLY WEEK

March

Sunday 25th **Palm Sunday** - during our services today everyone receives a palm cross to commemorate Christ's entry into Jerusalem

Monday 26th 6:00 pm **Seder Meal** - come and explore the connection between Passover and the events of Holy Week
Tuesday 27th 12:30 pm Healing Service - with the laying on of hands
7:00 pm **Compline** - a service of quietness and reflection at the end of the day

Wednesday 28th 7:15 pm Performance of **Handel's Messiah** with St Peter's Choir, guest singers and an orchestra

Maundy Thursday 11:00 am Holy Communion - a traditional said service
7:30 pm **Choral Communion commemorating the Last Supper**

Good Friday 10:00 am **Good Friday Family Service** with craft activities and hot cross buns!

2:00 pm **An Hour before the Cross** - meditations and music on the crucifixion of Christ

Saturday 31st **Easter Eve** 7:30 pm **Lighting of the New Fire**

April

Sunday 1st **Easter Day** with all our usual Sunday Services - celebrating with joy Christ's resurrection - don't forget to bring a flower to add to the Flowering Cross.

The Wild Watch Project

The Friends of Nidderdale AONB is a local charity hoping to conserve this beautiful area for future generations. The Wild Watch project aims to carry out Nidderdale's biggest ever wildlife survey. Find out about this innovative project at St Peter's on 27th March starting at 7:00 pm or visit www.nidderdaleaonb.org.uk.

Passover and the Seder Meal

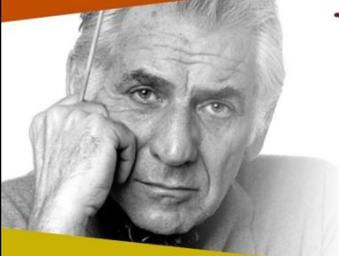
Passover will be celebrated by Jews all around the world from 30th March to 7th April 2018. Families and friends will gather to retell the story of how the children of Israel left slavery behind when they were led out of Egypt by Moses and to eat a traditional **Seder** meal together. Each food has a special significance:



- a **lamb bone** symbolises the sacrificial lamb;
- a **roasted egg** represents all those who have faced loss and mourning;
- **parsley dipped in salt water** is a reminder of the tears shed by the slaves;
- **bitter herbs** symbolise the bitterness of slavery;
- a **sweet paste** made of apples, nuts and spices represents the clay the slaves used to make bricks for their Egyptian masters;
- **unleavened bread** is eaten as, in their haste to escape, the slaves did not have time to wait for their bread to rise.

Find out more at St Peter's Seder Meal on Monday 26th March at 6:00 pm.

Bernstein
Centenary Celebration
including Chichester Psalms,
excerpts from West Side Story
and music by Aaron Copland



vocalis

Mezzo-soprano
Charlotte Kitson

Organist
John Longstaff

Conducted by
Alexander Kyle

St Peter's Church
Cambridge Road
Harrogate HG1 1RW
Saturday 24th March 2018
7.30pm

Adults £12 in advance, £15 on the door
Under 16s and carers accompanying people requiring assistance free
Refreshments available

Tickets available online at www.harrogatevocalis.org.uk
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ST PETER'S CHURCH HARROGATE
In Holy Week, a performance of Handel's

MESSIAH



Sally Silver Soprano
Lucy Morton mezzo-soprano
Adam Piplica alto
Toby Ward tenor
Andrew Greenan bass
Simon Lindley organ
John Longstaff director

Choir of St Peter's Church
Members of Vocalis
Harrogate Handel Players (leader Fiona Love)

Wednesday 28th March at 7:15pm

Tickets £11.00 from
The Parish Office (01423 568218)
From choir members or on the door



Today's Services: 18th March 2018

The Fifth Sunday of Lent
Passion Sunday

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 toys and activities to share for the whole service.

Hymns 1419, 1674, 1158, 1483

Readings Hebrews 5 v 5 - 10

John 12 v 20 - 33

Preacher: Alan Garrow

Our Duty Wardens today are:

Sian Lockwood and

Ian Birt

11:00 Choral Matins

Setting Jackson in G (Benedicite)

Hymns 122, 99, 108

Psalm 107 v 1 - 22

Readings Jeremiah 31 v 31 - 34

Hebrews 5 v 5 - 10

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

Preacher: John Longstaff

4:30 Afternoon Church Crafternoon Church *Refreshments from 4.15*

Hymns: Today is the day we've been given

Preacher: Ruth Thompson-Vear

6:30 Choral Communion

Setting Harris in C (Kyrie, Sanctus, Benedictus, Agnus), Longstaff (Creed)

Hymns 118, 320, 125, 322

Readings Hebrews 5 v 5 - 10

John 12 v 20 - 33

Anthem Lord, for thy tender mercies' sake (*Farrant*)

Preacher: Alan Garrow



At the 9:30 Service we offer prayer with laying on of hands. If you would like this ministry, please come up to receive the bread and wine (or a blessing) in St Mary's Chapel and wait behind in the pews there.

Please pray for those who have asked for our prayers:

Tim Akers, Rosemary Almond, Marian Chambers, Brian Crabtree, Louise Emrullahu, Pam Gardiner, Gill Gibson, Peggy Harris, Vicky Harrison, Sue Heapy, Edna Hodgkiss, Caroline Kelly, Doreen Rhodes, Alan Richardson, Colin Sinclair and Linda Ware.

RIP Hilary Clark

Also in our prayers this week:

- Mon** St Peter's Fabric Committee
Horticap, training adults with learning disabilities in horticulture
- Tues** *Compassion UK*
All children in care
- Wed** St Peter's Parish Events Team
Our Bible RefleXions Group
- Thurs** First anniversary of the Westminster Bridge attack
The family of PC Keith Palmer
- Fri** St Peter's Breakfast Club
Vivien and Scott on their wedding day
- Sat** Tim Hurren, our Associate Vicar
Tomoko and John on their wedding day

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** *Joseph of Nazareth*
Psalm 25
Isaiah 11 v 1 - 10
Matthew 13 v 54 to end
- Tues** *St Cuthbert of Lindisfarne*
Psalm 35
Exodus 8 v 20 to end
Hebrews 11 v 32 – 12 v 2
- Wed** *Thomas Cranmer, martyr, Archbishop of Canterbury*
Psalm 55
Exodus 9 v 1 - 12
Hebrews 12 v 3 - 13
- Thurs** Psalm 40
Exodus 9 v 13 to end
Hebrews 12 v 14 to end
- Fri** Psalm 22
Exodus 10
Hebrews 13 v 1 - 16
- Sat** Psalm 23
Exodus 11
Hebrews 13 v 17 to end

The Collect for the Fifth Sunday of Lent

Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved the world:

grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross we may triumph in the power of his victory;

through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

or

Gracious Father, you gave up your Son out of love for the world: lead us to ponder the mysteries of his passion, that we may know eternal peace through the shedding of our Saviour's blood, Jesus Christ our Lord.

What's on This Week

Morning Prayer is at 8:00 am and Evening Prayer at 5:00 pm daily

Mon 19th

11:30 am Community Café
2:00 pm Shanty Folk Singers
7:30 pm Rehearsal for *The Messiah* in the Music Room

Tues 20th

12:30 pm Healing Service
7:00 pm St Peter's PCC meeting

Wed 21st

8:00 am Breakfast Club will be welcoming some new members, Bishop Helen-Ann and other guests will be joining us to share in Morning Prayer and a hot breakfast.

9:30 am **#Live Lent: Let Your Light Shine** in the Undercroft

10:30 am Café RefleXion

2:00 pm Singing for the Over 60s

6:00 pm The last Alpha is tonight! **What about the church?**

Thurs 22nd

9:30 am Parent and Toddler Group

11:00 am Holy Communion

12:30 pm Lunchtime RefleXion – with the last of the **Faith in the Workplace** interviews. Tim Hurren speaks to **The Taxi Driver**

2:00 pm St Peter's Handbell Ringers at Wesley Chapel

6:00 pm Wedding Rehearsal in Church

7:30 pm The Undercroft Group

7:30 pm Choir Practice

Fri 23rd

9:30 am AA Meeting

10:00 am **#Live Lent: Let Your Light Shine** – in the Undercroft

10:00 am St Peter's Cleaning Team

12:00 pm Wedding of Scott Jackson and Vivien Mendoza

7:00 pm Bell Ringers

7:30 pm Rehearsal for *Vocalis* Concert in Church

Sat 24th

1:30 pm Wedding of Tomoko Tamaki and John Carter

3:00 pm Rehearsal for *Vocalis* Concert in Church

7:30 pm **Bernstein Centenary Celebration Concert** with Vocalis

Next Sunday 25th March

Palm Sunday

8:30 Holy Communion

9:30 Family Communion

11:00 Choral Matins

4:30 Afternoon Church –
Celtic Worship

6:30 Choral Evensong

The Breakfast Club provides a free, hot breakfast from Monday to Saturday (8:15 – 8:45 am) for all those who are hungry or in need. A hot Sunday lunch is also served at the Wesley Centre each week at 1:00 pm, except for the third Sunday of the month when it is here at St Peter's – that's **TODAY!** Food parcels are available from 4:45 pm every day, except for Sundays, when it's 5:30 pm.

Spring's Promise

It might only take something very small to dispel that 'set-in winter-gloom'

I walked down Winter's road one grisly day,
when every tree looked dull and sparse and dry;
and mounds of leaves, long dead, reeked of decay;
skeletal branches waved against bleak sky.

I started to ascend a stony hill,
the sky, now overcast and dirty- grey;
no sound was heard, and all the world was still,
for, surely it would end on such a day.

Then:

A speck of pink appeared among the trees,
I followed it with bright and eager eye;
and, delicately bending to the breeze,
one small, pale blossom braved a winter sky.



Barbara Stone

Confirmation Service at Ripon Cathedral on Palm Sunday

Maddie Dawson, Lucy Trayford, Emily Thompson, Eliza Robertson, Juliet Palmer, Sissy Simacek, Tabitha Treetops, Ptolemy Treetops, George Priestley and Emily Williamson will be confirmed by Bishop Helen-Ann on Sunday 25th March at 5:30pm at Ripon Cathedral. Please support the candidates with your prayers, as they take this momentous step in their faith journey.

LENT

2018

The Bishops invite you to join them
in a Holy Lent of Loving. Living. Learning.

*The bishops of our Diocese invite you to
join them in*

A Holy Lent of

Loving, Living and Learning

*Each bishop will be leading a time of
prayer during Lent:*

Nick Baines, Bishop of Leeds

at Holy Trinity, Skipton

on Saturday 24th March

from 10:00 am – 3:00 pm

www.leeds.anglican.org/lent-2018

**'Mark:
the
good
news**

about beginnings
and endings...'

Lent lecture with
Bishop Helen-Ann
7.30pm

Evensong 6pm
Refreshments 7pm

20 March
Ripon Cathedral

Ripon Cathedral
here for us all





Refreshments are served after each of our Sunday morning services from the kitchen area at the front of Church.

Please come and join us.

Next Week's Deadline

The deadline for the next edition of the Weekly News (25th March) will be noon on Wednesday 21st March. Please send any items (including photos) to Alan Garrow **or** to Marian Chambers (addresses below)

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The bans of marriage are published between **Adam Lawrence Curtis** and **Kate Margaret Hatcher**. This is for the third time of asking.

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

Green Your Life

eco tip of the week

March – going shopping

When you need to buy a large item research it carefully. Think about how long it could last, how much it costs to run, what it is made of, where it is made, can it be recycled at the end of its life. Better quality items often last longer and so cost you less over time.



New to St Peter's? Please fill in one of the welcome cards in the pews and hand it to one of the clergy.