



Weekly News

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A Time for Refreshment, Renewal and Research



Having served on the clergy team at St Peter's in various capacities since June 2002, the Diocese has agreed that I may have a three month sabbatical; to include a modest research project which I hope will be of some use as it looks to the future. I will be away from the beginning of May until the end of July, returning in August to provide clergy cover until I retire on Sunday 16th September. I'm really grateful for this opportunity and it will certainly not all be

work. We have a family gathering in the Forest of Dean to celebrate Caroline's and my Golden Wedding Anniversary, which was actually back in January - but the weather will be better in July (won't it?). We are also planning a retreat week together to help us think and pray through what God's purposes might be for us as we embark on the retirement phase of life this autumn.

The research project that will be the centrepiece for my time away revolves around an aspect of the so called '2030 Vision' for the Diocese. This important initiative is designed to encourage all of us to consider how best to respond to the fact that up to 40% of paid clergy will be gone by 2030. Although new and younger people are coming on stream, there is no way they can fill that gap, so we all need to think about how to reshape the church and its leadership for the years to come, to continue to respond faithfully to God's call to bring the good news of Jesus Christ to every corner of our land. This challenge will be particularly acute in rural areas such as ours, where in many places clergy are already thin on the ground. Looked at another way, rather than being viewed as a threat, this is actually a great opportunity to develop lay leadership and handled well could herald an energising new springtime for the church. No doubt this will be a key theme at the significant Diocesan lay conference taking place this June in Harrogate.

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Refreshment, Renewal and Research *(continued from front page)*

My research during the summer will focus on how we can best deploy retired clergy in ways which will help, rather than hinder, the inevitable process of change, cultural as well as organisational, over the next decade or so. The head of the Church Army research department is providing an element of supervision. Apart from a certain amount of reading to familiarise myself with the issues, principles and practicalities, I hope to visit other dioceses to try to tease out best practice, and will also conduct a number face to face interviews in our area.

Your prayers for me, and also for Caroline, during our time away would be greatly appreciated. We trust it will be a time for refreshment and renewal combined with research that will help to make a difference.

Tim Hurren, *Associate Vicar at St Peter*

Evening Fellowship at St Peter's, Harrogate



Meetings held at St Peter's Church in the Brostoff Hall
at 7:30 pm on the first Thursday of the month

Programme for 2018/19

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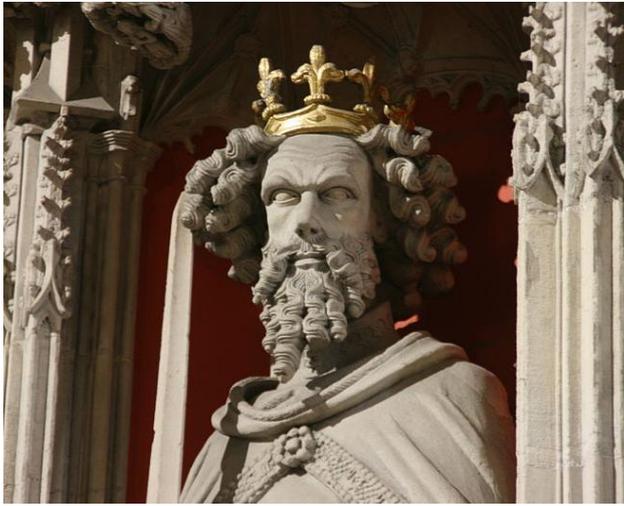
3 rd May	'A Tour of York Minster' – Paul Medforth
7 th June	'The Victorian Music Hall' – Ken Humphreys
5 th July	'Living and Dying in a Victorian City' – Alun Pugh
2 nd August	'The Story of Diamonds' – Robert Bolton
6 th September	'N W Highlands of Scotland' – David Alred
4 th October	Film Show
1 st November	'Tiny Churches in England' – Tony Wilson
6 th December	Annual Dinner

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January	NO MEETING
7 th February	'Killer Plants' – Peter & Helleentje Walker
7 th March	AGM

Evening Fellowship is an informal gathering with the emphasis very much on fun and fellowship. We are open to adults of all ages, whether or not regulars at St. Peter's. If you are not already a member, do try us out. If you are a member, bring your friends. For further information, or if you have suggestions for our programme, please contact our secretary, Richard Bion on 01423 569701.

St Peter's Evening Fellowship - A Tour of York Minster



Have you ever noticed that the Kings' Screen, which separates the Quire from the rest of York Minster, is asymmetric? But why is that? Paul Medforth, an Evening Fellowship member and a York Minster Guide, may know the answer. He is starting off this year's programme with an informative and interesting talk into the history and life of this ancient building this Thursday 3rd May at 7:30 pm in the Brostoff Hall. Everyone welcome!

PETs Fundraising Refreshment Day

Just to let you know that the Parish Events Team (PETs) have decided to cancel our next Refreshment Day on Saturday 19th May. Unfortunately when we choose the date, we had no idea we would be sharing it with the Royal Wedding and the FA Cup Final! Therefore our next one will be on Saturday 21st July. We are always in need of volunteers for an hour or two on the day and bakers to make delicious homemade cakes. If you think you might like to get involved please drop me a line and I can tell you more about it, or add you to our database of volunteers.

Louise Knight (Louise1knight@icloud.com)

Job Opportunities at St Peter's Church

A **Cleaning Assistant** is required for 7 hours per week over 2 shifts at £9 per hour. Also a **General Assistant** is required for up to 10 hours per week with the potential for additional hours at £9 per hour. Job descriptions and application forms from the Parish Office (01423 568218) or at stpeters.office@ntlbusiness.com. The post-holders will be working as part of the team responsible for ensuring that the groups using St Peter's Church facilities are properly supported and for the safety and cleanliness of the building. **Closing date for both positions is 30th April 2018.**

New Summer Programme for Bible RefleXions starts this week!

Bible RefleXions is a study group that meets from 9:30 – 10:30 am on Wednesdays in the Undercroft. This term they will be studying **Learning from the Life of Jesus:**

2nd May	His healing work	20th June	His emphasis on forgiveness
9th May	His teaching work	27th June	His emphasis on personal faith and choice
16th May	His prophetic spirit	4th July	His emphasis on thanksgiving
23rd May	His servant spirit	11th July	His proclamation of the kingdom
30th May	<i>Half-term, so no meeting</i>		
6th June	His attitude to authority		
13th June	His attitude to women		

There will be an **Ascension Day Service** on Thursday 10th May at the top of St Peter's Tower with breakfast afterwards – meet at the bottom of the Tower steps at 7:15 am.

Today's Services: 29th April 2018

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

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 629, 27, 418, 352

Readings Acts 8 v 26 to end
John 15 v 1 - 8

Preacher: Tim Hurren

11:00 Choral Matins

Setting Howells Collegium Regale (Jubilate)

Hymns 151, 328, 398

Psalm 44 v 16 to end

Readings Daniel 3 v 16 - 28
Hebrews 11 v 32 – 12 v 2

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

Preacher: John Longstaff

4:30 Afternoon Church Service of the Word *Refreshments from 4.15*

Hymns: 728, 276, 362

Preacher: Hannah Beck

6:30 Choral Evensong

Setting Brewer in E flat

Hymns 528, 487, 502 (omit*)

Psalm 96

Readings Isaiah 60 v 1 - 14
Revelation 3 v 1 - 13

Anthem O sing joyfully (Batten)

Preacher: Sue Pearce

Our Duty Wardens today are:

Richard Morgan and

Rachel Fell



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, 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.

Also in our prayers this week:

- Mon** Paul Medforth, our new Churchwarden
The Duke and Duchess of Cambridge, George and Charlotte on the arrival of their new baby
- Tues** St Peter's Archive Group
Craft Aid International, giving opportunities to disabled people in the UK and overseas
- Wed** John Longstaff, Director of Music
St Peter's Choir
- Thurs** St Peter's Ladies who Lunch group
The children sponsored through *Compassion UK*
- Fri** Carole Raw, Parish Administrator
St Peter's Deputy Wardens
- Sat** Hannah Beck, Lay Reader
All our sidespeople

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 145
Numbers 9 v 15 to end; 10 v 33 to end
Luke 4 v 38 to end
- Tues** *Philip and James, apostles*
Psalm 139
Proverbs 4 v 10 - 18
James 1 v 1 - 12
- Wed** Psalm 30
Numbers 12
Luke 5 v 12 - 26
- Thurs** Psalm 57
Numbers 13
Luke 5 v 27 to end
- Fri** *English Saints and Martyrs of the Reformation Era*
Psalm 138
Numbers 14 v 1 - 25
Luke 6 v 1 - 11
- Sat** Psalm 146
Numbers 14 v 26 to end
Luke 6 v 12 - 26

The Collect for the Fifth Sunday of Easter

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ, have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life:
grant that, as by your grace going before us you put into our minds good desires, so by your continual help we may bring them to good effect;
through Jesus Christ our risen Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

or

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.

What's on This Week

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

- Mon 30th** 11:30 am Community Café
2:00 pm Shanty Folk Singers
- Tues 1st** 9:00 - 9:30 am Pray and Fast for the Climate
12:30 pm Healing Service
- Wed 2nd** 9:30 am Bible RefleXions – **Learning from the life of Jesus:
His healing work**
10:30 am Café RefleXion
- Thurs 3rd** 9:30 am Parent and Toddler Group
11:00 am Holy Communion
12:30 pm Lunchtime RefleXion
2:00 pm St Peter's Handbell Ringers at Wesley Chapel
7:30 pm St Peter's Evening Fellowship:
A Tour of York Minster
- Fri 4th** 9:30 am AA Meeting
10:00 am St Peter's Cleaning Team
7:00 pm Bell Ringers
- Sat 5th** 10:00 am – 4:00 pm **Harrogate Operatic Players** are holding a Refreshment Day. Their next production is **Top Hat** at the Royal Hall from 26th – 30th June.

**NO Choir practice
this week!**



Next Sunday 6th May

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

- 8:30 Holy Communion
9:30 Family Communion
11:00 Choral Communion
4:30 Afternoon Church –
Holy Communion
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.

Food parcels are available from 4:45 pm every day, except for Sundays, when it's 5:30 pm.

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 (6th May) will be noon on Wednesday 2nd May. Please send any items (including photos) to Alan Garrow or to Marian Chambers (addresses below)

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St Peter's gives out food parcels every day to those in need. Please, when you do your shopping this week, remember to pick up something extra - tinned food, a packet of tea, biscuits or toiletries - to bring to Church next Sunday to put in the hamper.

Green Your Life eco tip of the week

April – in the bathroom

Switch to eco cleaning products which biodegrade in the sewerage system and don't damage aquatic life in our rivers and seas. They also contain less harmful chemicals for us too.



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