



Weekly News

3rd November 2019

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This is the second in a series of articles designed to highlight how our welcome, worship and other activities can include everyone. This forms just a small part of the response to the document Welcome, Inclusion, Respect - A Commitment to a Church Open to All produced by the Diocese of Leeds.

Welcome, Inclusion, Respect for VIPs



You may well think that a VIP is a Very Important Person – well, they are, but in the world of the sight-impaired it means Visually Impaired Person. As with all people with limitations, VIPs come in all kinds of conditions from total blindness through short/long sight, reduction in the area which can be seen, to a constant wobbling (nystagmus). Each condition means the person has different requirements, but some general actions can meet a number of needs. Large print (not CAPITAL LETTERS!) is very helpful; colour contrasts are essential –

yellow or pale blue on white (and vice-versa) are hopeless; but clarity of print is also essential for those with focus problems. Also some conditions mean some people cannot see the screen, regardless of print size or colour.

At St. Peter's we do have the *Weekly News*, service sheets and hymn books in large print, but we need to make sure these are as readily accessible as the standard print versions and many notices round Church could be improved. Remember that a VIP may not obviously be a VIP! Improvements for VIPs can benefit everyone - colleagues at work were envious of my large-print email display!

Graham Cornish, *Member of the Welcome, Inclusion, Respect Group*



Fundraising Refreshment Day

To coincide with the **Harrogate Christmas Market** there is a St Peter's Fundraising Refreshment Day to raise funds for our Church on Saturday 16th November from 10:00 am until 4:00 pm. The town will be very busy so **your help is really needed** - perhaps to serve, clear tables or wash-up on the day - or to bake a cake, some mince pies or biscuits in advance. Please speak to Barbara Agar (07951 900514) or Louise Knight (07764 493475) if you can help. Thank you!



The Mayor of Harrogate cancels charity concert

We have received an email from the Mayor of Harrogate, Cllr Stuart Martin, regrettably cancelling the proposed charity concert on Wednesday 6th November at St Peter's in support of Yorkshire Air Ambulance and TASC Madagascar. This is due to the low number of ticket sales.

Christmas Fair Jamjar Tombola – prizes needed!

Ruth Thompson-Vear thanks everyone for the empty jars for the **Jamjar Tombola** that she is running at the Christmas Fair, but she has enough. Now they need to be filled with small items – do you have any wrapped sweets, hotel toiletries, hot chocolate sachets, marbles, small toys, hair slides, packets of seeds etc? Also if you have any empty wine bottles, she would be grateful for those too. Please give the empty bottles and any prizes to Sarah Martin after services on Sundays. Thanks!



WANTED: sound technician for *The Sound of Music*

Do you know all about microphones? St Peter's Players need a volunteer to look after the sound control for our forthcoming production of *The Sound of Music* from 18th – 23rd November. Please contact John Hain via jmhain@gmail.com. Thanks!



St Peter's Afternoon Fellowship

The next Afternoon Fellowship is on Monday 11th November, from 2:00 – 4:00 pm, when **Diana Braithwaite** will be the speaker. Please call Gillian Taylor on 01423 500482 for further details, if you would like to come.

St Peter's Evening Fellowship

After a flight of around 10,000 km that encompasses the length of Africa swallows are a welcome sign of the return of Summer. At the next meeting of our Evening Fellowship, keen naturalist and wildlife photographer, David Alred, will talk about **Nature's Year**. Why not join them this Thursday 7th November at 7:30 pm in the Brostoff Hall?



All Souls' Memorial Service tonight at 6:30 pm

We commemorate All Souls with a memorial service dedicated to those who have lost a loved one or a special friend. The service is an opportunity to light a candle, reflect and give thanks for the life so dear to us that was lost.

St Peter's Library and Resources Group

St Peter's has a free Lending Library, situated on the shelves near the Welcome desk. Here are some books recently enjoyed by St Peter's people:

Running over Rocks by *Ian Adams*. This is a rich treasure trove of poems, reflections, and practical ideas, to help us in our daily lives. Imaginative and warm, with insights from the natural world,

'Thought - provoking and inspiring' (Sarah Guthrie)

'It can be read again and again' (Pauline Harrison)

At the end of the day by *David Winter*. In a long life, the author has been a teacher, journalist, priest, and Head of Religious Broadcasting at the BBC. He reflects on retirement, which he calls 'Life in the departure lounge'.

'Very perceptive. He writes positively on the rapport between the older and younger generations' (Richard Morgan)

Faithful Grandparents by *Anita Cleverly*. This is written for grandparents who long to hand on the baton of faith to the younger generation. But how to do this, given that today's world is vastly different from that of 50 years ago? The author looks at the 'bare bones' of the Christian faith, based on the ancient creeds, and uses illustrations from her own life as well as from the Bible.

'Lots of food for thought!' (Kathy Richards)

Do feel free to borrow a book, just sign in the exercise book on the lower shelf.



The flowers in Church today are in memory of **Susie Howells**

Tombola Prizes urgently needed!

At this year's Christmas Fair on Saturday 30th November there will be a Tombola – if you have any quality items suitable for either adult or children's prizes, please bring them to Church on 10th, 17th or 24th November. Thank you!

Today's Services: 3rd November 2019

The Fourth Sunday before Advent
Celebrating All Saints' and All Souls'

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

Readings Luke 19 v 1 - 10

Preacher: Sarah Martin

Our Duty Wardens today are:

Rosemary Turner and
Helen Moule

11:00 Choral Communion

Setting Ireland in C

Hymns 223, 222, 232, 229

Readings Revelation 7 v 2 – 4 and v 9 - 12

Matthew 5 v 1 - 12

Anthem Holy is the true Light (*Harris*)

Preacher: Sue Pearce

4:15 Afternoon Church *Holy Communion*

Preacher: Hannah Beck

6:30 All Souls' Memorial Service



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Hymns *Please see order of service*

Psalm 92

Readings Psalm 23
Revelation 21 v 1 - 7

Anthems And I saw a new heaven (*Bainton*)
In Paradisum (*Fauré*)

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:

Nicky Aitken, Tim Akers, Pat Anderson, Peggy-Anne Binder, Mary Burcher, Louise Emrullahu, Pam Gardiner, Gill Gibson, Vicky Harrison, Edna Hodgkiss, Sian Lockwood, Charlie Martineau, Peggy Palmer, Alan Richardson, Frances Roxby-Proud, Colin Sinclair and Keith Ward.

Also in our prayers this week:

Mon David Fisher, our Treasurer
Those struggling with debt

Tues The Hospital Chaplaincy Team
The volunteers at Harrogate Hospital

Wed St Peter's Lunchtime RefleXions
Our Bible RefleXions group

Thurs St Peter's Toddler Group
Looked-after children and children in care

Fri St Peter's Sunday Lunch Club
Harrogate Homeless Project, offering help and emergency accommodation

Sat Sue Pearce, one of our retired clergy
Jennyruth Workshop employing adults with learning difficulties

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 2
Isaiah 1 v 1 - 20
Matthew 1 v 18 to end

Tues Psalm 5
Isaiah 1 v 21 to end
Matthew 2 v 1 - 15

Wed Psalm 9
Isaiah 2 v 1 - 11
Matthew 2 v 16 to end

Thurs *Willibrord of York, Bishop*
Psalm 15
Isaiah 2 v 12 to end
Matthew 3

Fri ***The Saints and Martyrs of England***
Psalm 16
Isaiah 3 v 1 - 15
Matthew 4 v 1 - 11

Sat Psalm 18 v 31 to end
Isaiah 4 v 2 – 5 v 7
Matthew 4 v 12 - 22

The Collect for All Saints' Day

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; 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

God of holiness, your glory is proclaimed in every age: as we rejoice in the faith of your saints, inspire us to follow their example with boldness and joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

What's on This Week

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

Fairtrade Christmas Shop – open Monday to Saturday from 10:00 am – 4:00 pm in the Old Baptistery.

- Mon 4th** 1:30 pm **Thinking about God** discussion group in the Undercroft
2:00 pm The Singing Folk group
7:00 pm *Sound of Music* Rehearsal – *Raindrops on roses...*
- Tues 5th** 10:00 am – 1:00 pm Rachel's Art Class in the Brostoff Hall
12:30 pm Healing Service
1:30 – 4:30 pm Rachel's Art Class in the Brostoff Hall
7:00 pm *Sound of Music* Rehearsal – *...and whiskers on kittens!*
- Wed 6th** 9:30 am Bible RefleXions: view and discuss **Dust** from the **Nooma** series by Rob Bell
10:30 am Café RefleXion
- Thurs 7th** 9:30 am St Peter's Parent and Toddler Group
11:00 am Holy Communion
11:30 am Lunchtime RefleXion
2:00 pm St Peter's Handbell Ringers at Wesley Chapel
7:30 pm Choir Practice
7:30 pm St Peter's Evening Fellowship – Nature's Year
- Fri 8th** 9:30 am AA Meeting
10:00 am St Peter's Cleaning Team
7:00 pm Bell Ringers
7:00 pm NA Meeting
7:00 pm ***Made for Giving* Preview Evening**
- Sat 9th** 10:00 am – 4:00 pm ***Made for Giving 2019*** in aid of Wellspring Therapy & Training – refreshments available all day.
- Sun 10th** ***Remembrance Sunday and Armistice Day***
6:00 – 7:30 pm **Sanctuary**, our youth group

Next Sunday 10th November Remembrance Sunday

- 8:30 Holy Communion
9:30 Family Communion
10:45 Remembrance Service and Parade
4:15 Afternoon Church
Service of the Word
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.

Nidderdale Messiah 2019

This is a charity event for all who would like to sing or listen to Handel's Messiah. Over the last few years they have raised substantial sums of money for local charities. This year's Nidderdale Messiah is on 24th November at Holy Trinity Church, Knaresborough and the chosen charity is *Supporting Older People*. More details at www.nidderdalemessiah.org.uk.



Volunteers wanted for new Crafty Llama Groups

Artizan International have an exciting new project waiting for volunteers to get involved. Our Crafty Llama groups will visit a Children's Hospital every week for an hour to do therapeutic arts and crafts in a calm, supportive atmosphere, giving the children a break from the isolation and tedium of a long-term hospital stay. We have all the crafts, instructions, equipment and materials ready and waiting. Full support and training

will be provided by *Artizan International*. Please get in touch with Liz Cluderay (07792 327835) Liz.cluderay@artizaninternational.org or Susie Hart MBE, (07588 724142) Susie.hart@artizaninternational.org.

Thank you for all your generous gifts

St Peter's gives out food parcels every day to those in need. Thank you so much if you remembered to bring some groceries to put in the hamper today.

**KINGDOM
COME**
PRAYING FOR HARROGATE

10th November, 6 - 8pm at St Aidan's Chapel
Oatlands Drive, Harrogate HG2 8JR

Come together as one body to pray for our town.

This fantastic termly event includes worship, prayer activities, readings, reflection and prayer time. Everyone is welcome.

Kairos Church | Vineyard Church | St John's & St Luke's Church | St Mark's Church

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Made for Giving 2019
In aid of Wellspring Therapy & Training

A charity event showcasing work by local artists and makers
St Peter's Church, Central Harrogate, HG2 1RW

Friday 8th November Preview from 7-9pm
Browse and buy, with wine and nibbles, whilst enjoying live music from Spa Sax.

Saturday 9th November from 10am-4pm
Homemade refreshments available all day.

For more information,
please phone: 01423 881881
Or send an email to:
office@wellspringtherapy.co.uk

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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.



Next Week's Deadline

The deadline for the next edition of the Weekly News (10th November) will be noon on Wednesday 6th November. Please send any items (including photos) to Alan Garrow or to Marian Chambers (addresses below)

Next week is Remembrance Sunday



There will be a parade and ceremony at the Cenotaph starting at 10:45 am followed by a Remembrance Day Service in Church



Thank you to all who gave so generously to **Christian Aid** at our Harvest services. We raised £331.08 (of which £130 was gift aided), which we have sent towards their **Season for Change Harvest Appeal**.

Judith Simpson,
St Peter's Christian Aid Representative



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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