



Weekly News

9th August 2020

The Ninth Sunday after Trinity

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Trials of more 'in person' worship from September



Preparing to live-stream the first service from St Peter's Church with readers and music

We have learned a good deal through our first two weeks of online-and-in-person Sunday services at 9:30 am and 11:00 am. As August progresses I hope we will grow in learning how to make the most of the positives of this arrangement, even while lamenting what has been lost.

Looking ahead to September, therefore, we aim to build on this beginning by trialling two further services: on **Thursday 3rd September Midweek Holy Communion at 11:00 am**, and on **Sunday 6th September Afternoon Church at 4:15 pm**. We expect that it will be possible to accommodate everyone at a distance at these two services without the need for booking. These services will not be streamed online. Thereafter we will decide how often such services are likely to be practical. If you would really like to support one of these trials, but are unable to attend on these particular dates, do please let me know (in the case of Thursday Communion) and Chris Clayton know (in the case of Afternoon Church).

Other midweek events may also begin to come back into the calendar as we begin the new school term – and we will, of course, include these in the Weekly News and on the Church website. Sadly, it seems unlikely that Sunday Club will return for some time – so 9:30 am families are warmly encouraged to join Afternoon Church, where family members stay together for the whole act of worship.

Alan Garrow, Vicar of St Peter's Church

Martin House: hospice care for children and young people

Every year St Peter's Church gives at least £3,000 in donations to different charities – half of these are local and half are working overseas. Find out more about these charities, the work that they do and how the lockdown has affected them.

Martin House

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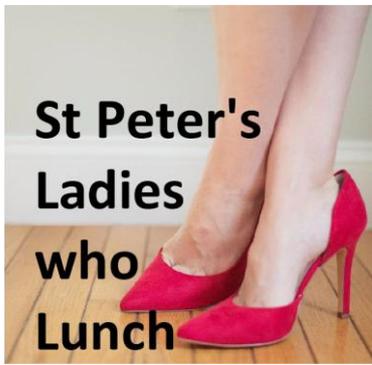
Martin House is a charity that provides hospice care for children and young people across West, East and North Yorkshire. It provides family-led care to children and young people with life-limiting and life-threatening illnesses, either at the hospice or in the families' own homes. Martin House was founded by Richard Seed, Archdeacon of York, and opened its doors to children and their families in 1987; becoming only the second children's hospice in the UK.

They offer many services including planned respite care, emergency care, symptom control, community care, end of life care and bereavement support. The charity also supports families whose child has died from a life-limiting condition but was unable to access hospice care. Most of the children have long term progressive disorders such as Duchenne muscular dystrophy, Batten's disease, cystic fibrosis, and cancer.



The purpose built hospice, near Boston Spa, has nine specialist children's bedrooms, eight family rooms for parents and siblings, sitting rooms, a multi-sensory room, jacuzzi, library and a music room. In 2002 Whitby Lodge opened – the UK's first unit for teenagers and young people. In the six acres of landscaped gardens there are socially-inclusive outdoor play areas with wheelchair swings, a roundabout, water play area, and adventure trail.

It costs Martin House in excess of £9 million each year to provide these services. The majority of this amount is raised through voluntary donations, fundraising and gifts left in wills. They also have eleven charity shops, including one in Harrogate, and a furniture warehouse and showroom on the Thorp Arch Estate, which have only just recently reopened. Many of their planned fundraising events have been cancelled, so they are experiencing a huge drop in their income. If you would like to volunteer or to make a donation please visit their website www.martinhouse.org or their [Just Giving page](#) for further details.



St Peter's *Ladies who Lunch* are back!

The **Ladies who Lunch** are meeting again on Wednesday 26th August at 12:15 pm at the Palm Court Café at the bottom of Montpellier Hill. If you would like to join us for food and fellowship, then please contact Sue Heapy (07540 355 305 or brynsusie@hotmail.com) **before Sunday 23rd August**, as we have to book our table in advance.

New Contactless Sunday Offering

If you prefer to give cash in the collection plate on a Sunday, rather than setting up a Standing Order, then please be encouraged to take advantage of our new contactless giving option. The contactless machine will be available from Sunday 16th August in the South Transept. Paul Medforth, our Churchwarden, will be there to assist you for the first week of this trial.

Say it with flowers

This is the first lovely flower arrangement made by the St Peter's Flower Team since lockdown. Why not mark a special occasion, such as an anniversary or birthday, by making a donation towards the flowers in Church? Our Flower Team will make an arrangement on the pedestal to the right of the lectern and you will also receive a mention in the Weekly News. Please speak to Sue Heapy for further details (07540 355305).



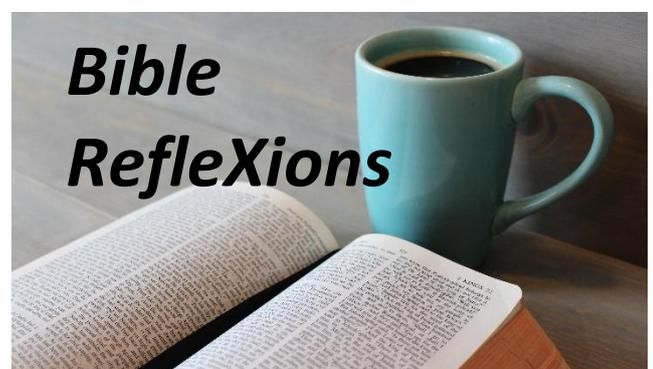
Update on face coverings

In England, face coverings are currently required by law to be worn in the following settings: shops, supermarkets, indoor transport hubs, indoor shopping centres, banks, building societies, post offices and on public transport. From 8th August, face coverings will be required by law to be worn in a greater number of public indoor settings including places of worship, museums, galleries, cinemas and public libraries. Please be mindful

that there are valid exemptions for some individuals and groups to not wear a face covering in these settings. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter!

Returning in September

Sue Heapy is hoping to restart *Bible RefleXions* - an informal, study group - meeting on Wednesday mornings in The Gallery in Church. If you are interested in coming please get in touch with Sue (07540 355 305 or brynsusie@hotmail.com).



Readings for Sunday 9th August

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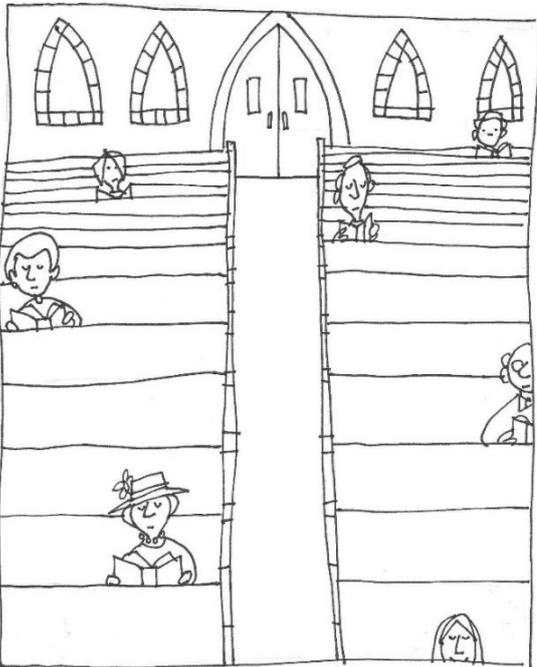
Old Testament	1 Kings 19 v 9 - 18
Gospel	Matthew 14 v 22 - 33
Epistle	Romans 10 v 5 - 15
Preacher	Chris Clayton



This week's worship online

As not everyone can come to Church and take part in the services every week, we are continuing to live-stream services. To join in follow these links: [9:30 am Holy Communion](#) and [11:00 am Matins or Holy Communion \(BCP\)](#). You can also join in with [Zoom Coffee](#) after each service for 10 minute chats with three or four others. [Morning and Evening Prayer](#) are at 8:00 am and 5:00 pm from Monday to Saturday and will be live-streamed on Facebook and Zoom. You can also watch any of these services at a later time on the [St Peter's Church YouTube Channel](#).

To keep everyone safe, please:



- **follow the one way system** – down the side aisles and up the centre aisle;
- **keep your distance** at all times, even when you share the peace;
- **form a single, distanced queue** in front of the dais to receive Communion – a wafer, but not wine, will be distributed (please indicate in advance if you need a gluten-free wafer);
- **remember no refreshments** will be served after the service, but bottled water is available if you need it;
- **leave via the West Door** after the 9:30 am service, if you are able. **Thank you!**

St Peter's Church is now open for:

Private prayer from 11:00 am – 2:00 pm every day except Sundays.

Services on Sundays – 9:30 am Family Communion and 11:00 am Matins or Holy Communion (BCP) – to check availability and to book a pew contact our Parish Administrator, Carole Raw at stpeters.office@ntlbusiness.com.

The Breakfast Club (with distanced seating) 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** (with distanced seating) is served from 1:00 – 1:30 pm.

Hot food to eat in (with distanced seating) or take away, available 4:30 – 4:50 pm on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Food parcels available 4:30 – 4:50 pm on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

Please pray for those who have asked for our prayers:

Nicky Aitken, Pat Anderson, Ruth Bowes, Mary Burcher, Louise Emrullahu, Cathy Fuller, Pam Gardiner, Vicky Harrison, David Hipkin, Caroline Kelly, Sian Lockwood, Charlie Martineau, Peggy Palmer, Sheila Pantin, Alan Richardson, Michele Roszak, Frances Roxby-Proud and Colin Sinclair.

Also in our prayers this week:

- Mon** All healthcare workers
GPs surgeries and health centres
- Tues** All who are affected by
Coronavirus COVID-19
All those who have lost their lives,
homes and loved ones in the
devastating explosion in Beirut
- Wed** Delivery drivers and postal
workers
Charity shops as they reopen
their doors
- Thurs** All our emergency services
Those receiving their 'A' level
results today
- Fri** Those who are leading our nation
Rishi Sunak, Chancellor of the
Exchequer
- Sat** Hannah Beck, Lay Reader
Our homes, families, friends and
all whom we love

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** *Laurence, Deacon of Rome, Martyr, 258*
Psalm 44
1 Samuel 19 v 1 - 18
Acts 1 v 1 - 14
- Tues** *Clare of Assisi, 1253*
Psalm 48
1 Samuel 20 v 1 - 17
Acts 1 v 15 to end
- Wed** *Psalm 119 v 57 - 80*
1 Samuel 20 v 18 to end
Acts 2 v 1 - 21
- Thurs** *Florence Nightingale, Nurse, 1910. Octavia Hill, Social Reformer, 1912*
Psalm 57
1 Samuel 21 v 1 – 22 v 5
Acts 2 v 22 - 36
- Fri** *Psalm 51*
1 Samuel 22 v 6 to end
Acts 2 v 37 to end
- Sat** **The Blessed Virgin Mary**
Psalm 98
Isaiah 7 v 10 - 15
Luke 11 v 27 - 28

The Collect for the Ninth Sunday after Trinity

Almighty God, who sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church: open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love and joy and peace;
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, revive your Church in our day, and make her holy, strong and faithful, for your glory's sake in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Archbishop of York pays virtual homage to The Queen

The Archbishop of York, Stephen Cottrell, paid homage to the Sovereign virtually in a historic first. Her Majesty The Queen received the oath of allegiance from the



newly-appointed Archbishop during a video call on Tuesday 21st July 2020, the first time the oath has been given virtually.

The act of newly-appointed bishops paying homage to the Sovereign dates back to the reign of Elizabeth I. The oath acts as the bishop's formal acknowledgement of allegiance to the monarch, who is the Supreme Governor of Church of England.

Church supports young people's mental health at schools and places of worship during lockdown

Children and young peoples' mental health has been supported by a groundbreaking, large-scale project from the Diocese of Manchester. The first of its kind, the mental health support scheme has been running for two years across the Diocese which takes in both the urban centres of Manchester and the rural regions outside of the city.

Amy Sixsmith, who joined the Diocese in February 2018 as a Mental Wellbeing Youth Worker has been providing mental health support, training and resources throughout the Covid-19 lockdown.

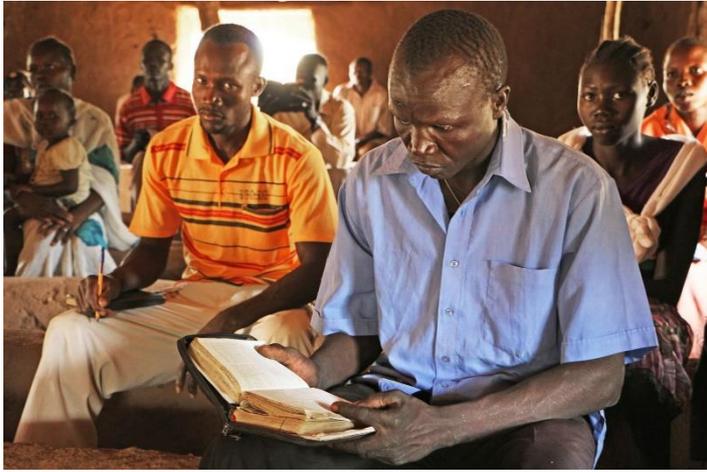
Previously the two-day courses were offered in person to teachers, clergy, youth leaders, and occasional face-to-face work with pupils across the 190 Church of England schools in the Diocese. Currently, half day online training courses have been offered. At the beginning of the Covid-19 lockdown resources for coping with bereavement and loss were developed by the Diocese.



Susie Mapledoram, the Diocesan Youth Officer, said: "Children and young people are aware of the news and the impact of coronavirus and need space and time to process it like all of us. We need to make space to listen to children and young people and understand the pandemic's impact on them."

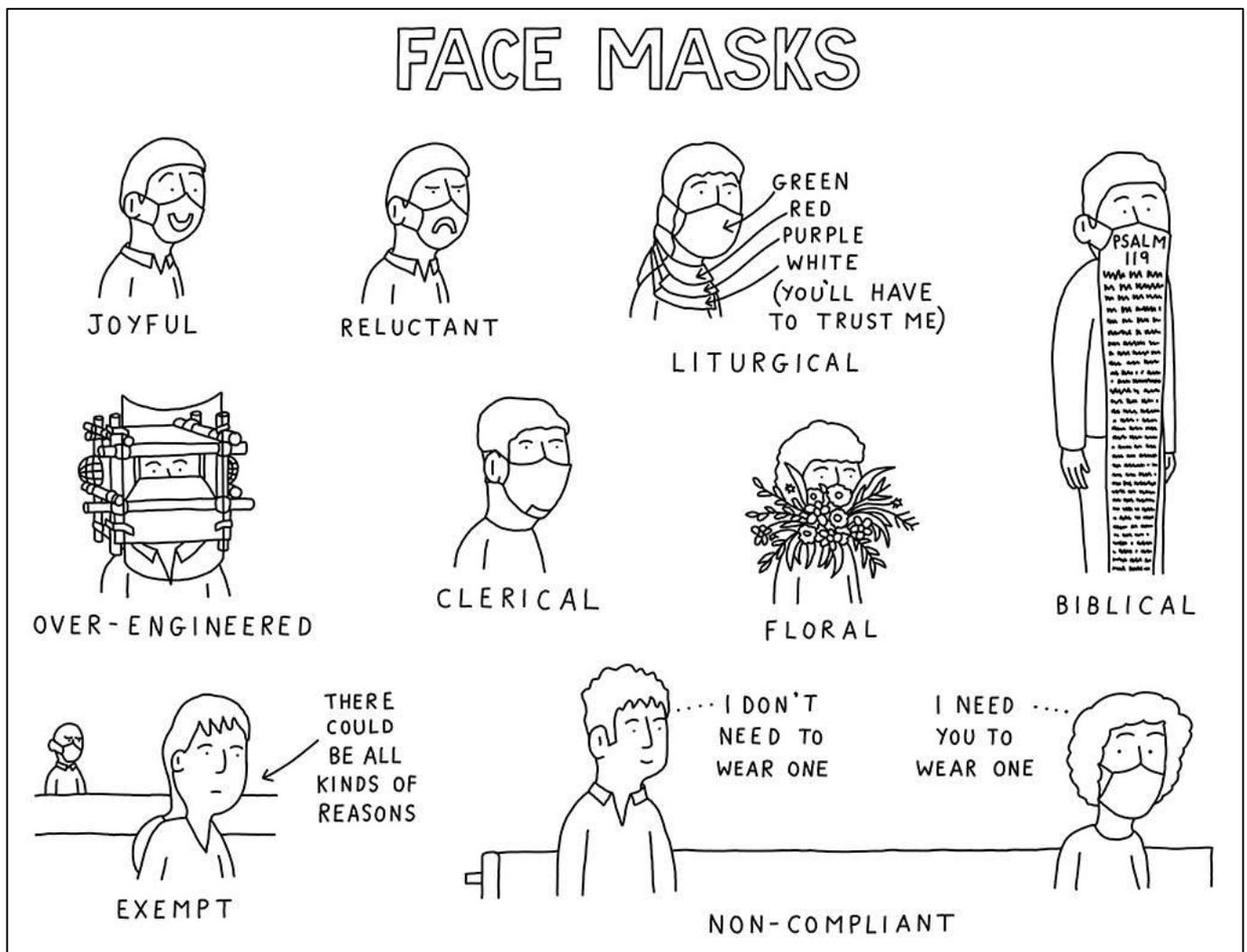
Following Department for Education guidance around mental health support for next term, the Diocese of Manchester is hoping to issue its own resource pack to coincide with the September return of schools. To speak to either Amy or Susie please email: amysixsmith@manchester.anglican.org or susiemapledoram@manchester.anglican.org.

Diocese of Leeds launches new appeal to support church in Sudan



The Diocese of Leeds has launched a new appeal to support the church in Sudan as they work to help those impacted by the global COVID-19 pandemic. The Bishop of Leeds, the Rt Revd Nick Baines, has written to all clergy calling on us to support the Diocese of Sudan, one we have been linked with for some 40 years. The country is currently facing health and

economic crises, and while the church in Sudan is responding as well as they can, they need our support. To give, you will find information at www.leeds.anglican.org/finance/donations or you can make a cheque payable to 'Leeds DBF' and post it to Leeds DBF, 17-19 York Place, Leeds LS1 2EX with a note saying it is for the Sudan emergency. Prayers, [a short video](#) and the text of [Bishop Nick's letter](#) are all on the website.



Closure of the Cornerstone Bookshop in Skipton

The trustees of the Cornerstone Bookshop have announced that it will cease trading at the end of September 2020. Recently it has become increasingly difficult to break even and the COVID-19 crisis has forced them to make the difficult decision to close.



St Peter's is continuing to give out food **every day** to those in need. If you would like to donate something - toiletries, tinned and dried food - please bring it to Church from 8:00 - 9:00 am on Mondays to Saturdays, 1:00 - 2:00 pm on Sundays or 4:00 - 5:00 pm daily.

Congratulations!



Harrogate Town have won promotion to the English Football League for the first time in their history!

Financial Giving

If you would like to support us financially at this difficult time, please use these bank details to contribute by BACS:

St Peter's Church PCC Harrogate
account at Natwest Bank PLC

Sort Code: 53-50-21

Account No: 67137628

or **download a Planned Giving Form** from the website. **THANK YOU!**

Next Week's Deadline

The deadline for the next edition of the Weekly News (16th August) will be noon on Wednesday 12th August. Please send any items (including photos) to Marian Chambers:
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