

- SHIPLEY-

The vision of St Peter's Church is to see the town of Shipley changed by the power of God. We want to see this happen through a Church which is filled with the power of the **Holy Spirit and** committed to the Word of God, which serves others in order to bring God's Kingdom. We want St Peter's to become a key transforming community bringing about this change, as a church alive with the joy of knowing and worshipping Jesus Christ.

Sunday 27th November 2022 **Advent Sunday**



Worship This Sunday

10:30am Christingle Service

Isaiah 9. V. 2, 6, 7; Luke 2.22-32 (John Rainer & Rachel McGirr)

6:30pm Holy Communion

Advent Hope Romans 13.11-end; Matt 24. 36-44 (John Rainer)

Following Jesus - making disciples serving others

This week: 28th November – 4th December

Monday	9.00am Morning Prayer online		
	10.30am Digital Inclusion Course	Lounge	
	7.00pm Bradford & Aire Valley Co-Anon	Upper Room	
	Family Group		
Tuesday	From 9.15am TinyBeats (Book Here)	Lounge	
Wednesday	9.00am Morning Prayer online		
	2.00pm Well Together Singing Group	Lounge	
Thursday	10.00am Diane's Exercise Class	Lounge	
	2.00pm Active Seniors	Lounge	
Friday	9.00am Morning Prayer online		
	9.30am See & Know	Church	
	10.30am Warm Spaces	Lounge	
	7.15pm Youthie	Lounge	
Sunday 4 th	9.30am All Age Worship	Church	
December	11.00am Holy Communion	Church	
	6.30pm Evening Worship Reset	Church	
	8.00pm Risen	Upper Room	

Daily Readings

Online daily prayers are available on Monday, Wednesday and Friday this week. The set readings for the week are as follows. You can find liturgy for prayers for the week on our website here.

28th November – 3rd December 2022

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Ps. 50 Isa. 42. 18- end Rev. ch. 19	Ps. 80 Isa. 43. 1- 13 Rev. ch. 20	Ps. 47; 147. 1-12 Ezek. 47. 1 - 12 John. 12. 20- 32	Ps. 42 Isa. 44. 1- 8 Rev. 21. 9 - 21	Ps. 25 Isa. 44. 9- 23 Rev. 21.22 – 22.5	Ps. 9 Isa. 44.24- 45.13 Rev. 22. 6- end
Ps. 71 Matt. 12. 1- 21	Ps. 74 Matt. 12. 22-37	Ps. 87; 96 John. 1. 35- 42	Ps. 40 Matt. 13 1 -23	Ps. 17 Matt. 13. 24-43	Ps. 27 Matt. 13. 44-end

NOTICES

Christmas

HELP is needed to decorate the church window sills for Christmas. We have lots of nativity figures and sheep and other decorations available and will be meeting together to discuss what we can do. If you feel you could help please contact Cynthia Hargreaves on 01274599199. Thanks.

See & Know and Messy Church

God is really blessing the work we do with families here at St. Peter's. We now regularly get over 30 children at See & Know and Messy Church is growing in numbers too. The people who attend our groups love them and regularly say how glad they are that they happen. Loving and caring for these families takes time and effort and we are in need of some extra help. Don't worry if children aren't your thing or the idea of spending two hours in a room full of toddlers fills you with dread because I have just the tasks for those of you who would prefer to enjoy the peace and quiet of your own homes.

I have a number of birthday presents that need to be wrapped, along with cutting out in preparation of craft activities. Very soon it will be time to wrap Christmas presents and write Christmas cards too. If this strikes you as the sort of job you could do, please let me know or contact the office who will pass the message on. *Special job for this week: making salt dough stars for Christmas Messy Church. Jessica will provide ingredients and cutters.* And if you just want to talk to me about how See & Know and Messy Church are going, please do catch me between services; I would love to encourage you with great stories about how our amazing God is working in the lives of these families. Many thanks, Jessica Criddle

Warm Spaces: Fridays 10.30am - 2.30pm

Thank you for all your continued support and help with Warm Spaces. For those wishing to help, the sign up sheet is on the Welcome Desk. Continued thanks to the Orange Grove, Saltaire who are donating all the soup ingredients and John from the Orange Grove has also now arranged with Melvyn Davies to donate bread each week, so we give thanks to them also.

Please do continue to come along and support us.

If you have any questions or would like to know a bit more then please do speak to Sue Pedley, Karen Parkinson, Louise Forbes or have a word with Kerry in the office.

Christmas Cards

Instead of buying lots of Christmas cards for the congregation this year we will provide a board for everyone to send their Christmas greetings.

Men's Curry Night

Men's curry night at Shimla Spice Shipley Thursday 29th December 6.30pm. Don't forget take your own alcoholic drinks. Please sign up on list on welcome desk or email martinrforbes@gmail.com. Thanks Martin

Marthas and Arthurs

A big THANK YOU to all on the Marthas and Arthurs team who serve coffee on Sunday mornings. It's a great team to be part of, bringing warmth and encouraging fellowship. We're recruiting to the team for next year. If you can help (approx. once every 5 weeks), please get in touch. Helen Scott (mobile: 07941713632. Email: helsplatt@hotmail.com). Thank you

Inn Churches Winter Shelter

Shipley Baptist Church will be hosting the Inn Churches winter shelter from Monday 9th January - Monday 16th January.

If you would like to sign up to volunteer, please follow this link (It would be good to have a mixture of females and males for each shift):

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/11zoN-3uAwpibtGwNzMyjv-bqqkYhMlkNbnVtwseOQzk/edit?usp=sharing

(If you are unable to click into this link, please paste it into your browser) For more information about the volunteer roles or if you have any questions, please get in touch by email catherinefroud@hotmail.com, or feel free to give me a call on 07756 675029. Thank you, Cath Hardy

Saturday morning prayers

If you'd like to join a prayer meeting, for both thanksgiving and intercession, this Saturday morning at 10 am for around half an hour, it would be great to see or hear you. Just click the link below, input the password below if asked (not sure you need to). You may need to download zoom if you haven't used it before. You can do this on most PCs, laptops, iPads or smart phones. You may want to check this out before the session if not used before. If you have any questions, then ring me on 01274 510951.

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us04web.zoom.us/j/76321270508?pwd=IdA9N35KIxXR6CxTwWsLCb6ug 05Qx9.1

Meeting ID: 763 2127 0508

Passcode: kCMk2J

Dark Room Equipment

A contact in the Photography Group is trying to find a new home for some dark room equipment. Please contact John Rhodes if interested.

Joy

JOY The weather is grim at present in Ukraine, so we will carry on sending whatever supplies we can every few weeks, : woollens socks, gloves and balaclavas, walking/soldier's boots, instant soups etc, candle wax (for mini stoves), paracetamol and any dressings etc. Thank you all; some of the parcels are absolutely wonderful, and we are touched by your generosity. Kathy

TakeTime Advent meditations on Zoom

As we move in to Advent, you are welcome to join me (Helen Scott) for 20 mins on Zoom. Enjoy a relaxation exercise and a guided meditation based on the Christmas story.

Dates: Weds 30th Nov, 7th , 14th, and 21st Dec

Zoom link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5453966983 Meeting ID: 545 396 6983 Feeback from previous sessions... "Beautifully calming", "Powerful and relaxing", "I leave feeling replenished".

Why not give it a try? No pressure to speak or show your video.

For a weekly reminder email: helsplatt@hotmail.com. More info at: www.taketime.org.uk

Bradford North Foodbank - Shipley

We are very grateful for all your donations.

Please see the Christmas Hamper Appeal poster enclosed and please give what you can at this difficult time to help us help as many families this Christmas with the joy of a Christmas hamper. Donations for Christmas Hampers can be received up until 4th December.

However, we are still providing ordinary food parcels at this time and urgently need Milk- UHT full fat and semi skimmed, hot chocolate, UHT fruit juice (not from the chiller cabinet).

Thank you. Anthea, Julie, Pete, Stuart and Sue

Eco Tip

https://olioex.com/food-waste-in/united-kingdom/ OLIO is an app you can download to help reduce food waste by redistributing food. This website gives further details Have you an eco challenge or tip to share? Please email gemmarichards15@hotmail.com

Who's Who

The Who's Who is available and copies are being kept in the safe to comply with GDPR regulations. If you would like one, please request one from a Warden. They cost £2.50. We regret we cannot send out copies by email.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray for those who are ill or have other needs, especially members of St. Peter's family: John and Barbara Arkley, Adele Attwood, Lis Bals, Jo Baxter, Maureen Bragg, June Coulton, Hazel Fawley, Glenys Gillow, Moira Gledhill, Lorna Hartley, Gina Hearne, Ian Hearne (Gina's son), Rowena and Keith Hodgson, Pat Hornby, Barbara Lehane, Jeff Parkinson, Val Ross, Joyce Taylor, Margaret Wilkinson and Joan Yeates. Please pray for the family of Joyce Sweiss who died on Thursday evening.

Mission Partner News

Chris Howitz (Anglican Chaplain in Oman)

Chris asks for our prayers for the thousands of expatriates who gather for worship on a weekly basis, for unity amongst them as they seek to witness to Jesus in a Moslem context, and for safety as the church in the Middle East is under spiritual attack.

The Anglican community in Oman is undergoing some major organisational changes, and our prayers are requested for the development of new leaders and good relationships with other Christian denominations.

Sudan

Archbishop Ezekiel writes: 'This is to inform you that Episcopal Church of Sudan held its 3rd Synod meeting of the Episcopal Church of Sudan between 17-18th November 2022 with attendance of delegates from all the five Dioceses, namely: Khartoum, Kadugli, El Obeid, Port Sudan and Wad Medani. After more than eleven years, Bishop Andudu Adam Elnail attended the Synod for the first time since the inauguration of the Province and this due to the war situation in the country. There was fear that things may go wrong, but thank God that procedures and discussions were in the spirit of respect and love. The conclusion was excellent.'

Pray for Archbishop Ezekiel, as it now appears that he will be continuing in office for a longer period than expected, possibly for a further five years.

Local charities

Please also pray for the local charities we support – BEACON, the Zephaniah Trust, the CAP Debt Centre and the Bradford North Food Bank.

A HELPING HAND

We operate a Helping Hands Fund for any member of our congregation struggling financially. This is there to help with short term one- off needs. You can pick up a leaflet with more information from the welcome desk or church office or contact Mandy Thorlby (mandythorlby@gmail.com, or 07801 138180). If you'd like to donate to the Helping Hands Fund, please contact Andy Thorlby thorlbya@yahoo.co.uk or 01274 510951, or make a donation in the usual way into the church, clearly identified as "Helping Hands Fund".

This Church operates a Safeguarding Policy in line with national and diocesan guidelines. Our Safeguarding Officer is Frances Agar, (01274 780528). Child Line can be contacted on 0800 1111.

CONTACT ST. PETER'S	DAY OFF			
Vicar	John Rainer	01274 584488	Friday	
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Churchwardens	Mervyn Silva	01274 419815		
Churchwardens	Gemma Richards	07743 122828		
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