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| new logo**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 19th February 2023****Sunday before Lent** |  |
|  | **Worship This Weekend****Saturday****5:30pm Refresh****Sunday****11:00am Holy Communion** What is God’s kingdom like? 1 Timothy 6.11-19 Mark 4.21-34 (John Rainer)**3:30pm Messy Church** ***Following Jesus – making disciples – serving others*** |  |

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| **This week: 20th February – 26th February**  |

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| Monday | 9.00am Morning Prayer online7.00pm CoAnon Family Group | Upper Room |
| Tuesday | From 9.15am TinyBeats ([Book Here](https://www.tinybeatsshipley.co.uk/book-online?category=da3017da-3a31-4397-8854-75bbf668952d)) | Lounge |
| Wednesday | 9.00am Morning Prayer online2.00pm Welltogether Singing Group7.30pm Holy Communion | LoungeChurch |
| Thursday | 10.00am Diane’s Exercise Class12.30pm Funeral of Brandon Jacksonfollowed by Refreshments | LoungeChurchLounge |
| Friday  | 9.00am Morning Prayer online9.30am See & Know10.30am Warm Spaces7.15pm Youthie | ChurchLoungeLounge |
| Saturday | 9.00am Men’s Breakfast | Olive Tree |
| **Sunday 26th February** | 9.30am All Age Worship11.00am Morning Worship12.00pm Shared Lunch6.30pm Holy Communion8.00pm Risen | ChurchChurchLoungeChurchUpper 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 on our website here.

**20th February 2022 – 25th February 2023**

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| **Monday**  | **Tuesday**  | **Wednesday** | **Thursday**  | **Friday**  | **Saturday**  |
| **Morning Prayer**  |  |
| Ps. 71Jer. Ch. 1John. 3. 1-21 | Ps. 73Jer. 2. 1-13 John. 3. 22-end | Ps. 38Dan. 9. 3-6, 17-19 1 Tim. 6. 6-19 | Ps. 77Jer. 2.14 –32John. 4. 1-26 | Ps. 3Jer. 3. 6-22John. 4. 27-42 | Ps. 71Jer. 4. 1-18John. 4. 43-end |
| **Evening Prayer** |  |
| Ps. 72Gal. ch. 1 | Ps. 74Gal. 2. 1 - 10 | Ps. 51Luke. 15. 11-end | Ps. 74Gal. 2. 11-end | Ps. 31Gal. 3. 1-14 | Ps. 73Gal. 3. 15-22 |

**NOTICES**

**Brandon Jackson**

The funeral of the Very Revd Brandon Jackson, who was Vicar of St Peter’s from 1965 to 1977, is to take place on 23rd February at 12.30pm at St. Peter’s. This will be followed by refreshments in the Lounge. Your prayers are asked for Mary and for his wider family.

**Ash Wednesday February 22nd**

We will be hosting a service of Holy Communion with ashing at 7.30pm when a welcome is extended to all the churches of Shipley.

**Zephaniah birthday Curry and Quiz night - Saturday 25th February**

Zephaniah Trust is celebrating our 29th birthday with a curry and quiz night! (Non-curry alternative is available if needed- please email office@zephaniah.org.uk if you would like this!) Come with a quiz team, or join a team on the night. Bring your own drinks. 7.30pm Saturday 25th February at Shipley Baptist Church. Tickets are £10 including food- book online at [zephaniah.org.uk/quiztickets](http://zephaniah.org.uk/quiztickets), or pay on the door. See you there! Thank you! Julia

**Men’s Breakfast**

Men’s breakfast at the Olive Tree, Gordon Terrace on **Saturday 25th February** at 9am cost £10 for full English breakfast and hot drink. Please remember it's cash only, sign up sheet on the welcome desk or email martinrforbes@gmail.com

Thanks Martin

**Shared Lunch – Sunday 26th February**

Following the11.00am service (from approximately 12.15pm) there will be a Shared Lunch in the Lounge. Lunch will be available for all. Donations of cake would be appreciated! **We would particularly like to encourage those of you who are new to St Peter’s (i.e. you don’t remember Pete’s Eats!) to come along and chat to the Staff about any of the baffling aspects of church a little better!**

**Red Post Box Appeal**

Thank you for your generosity. We raised £3,990 of which £675 was sent to both My Father's House and Revive International for their work in the houses in Brazil. Beacon and the Helping Hands Fund received £1,320 each.

**ZephFamily service - 4pm Sunday 25th February**

Zephaniah Trust are doing an all-age service as part of our birthday weekend! 4pm Sunday 25th February at Shipley Baptist Church. All welcome - families, individuals, young and old! Hope to see you there.

**RESPONDING TO TODAY’S ISSUES**

**St Peter’s Lent Sessions 2023 - Dates for your diary.**

(All these sessions will begin at 7.30pm in church)

**March 1st : Responses to *Living in Love and Faith.***

*Living in Love and Faith* is an Anglican initiative which aims to help us find a way forward on contentious contemporary issues around sexuality. But it isn’t just about ‘gay marriage’. Revd. Ruth Yeoman, formerly a member of General Synod will be joining us to give input, facilitate discussion and answer questions.

**March 8th** : Speaker to be confirmed.

**March 15th : Overseas Mission – a way forward.**

Recent years have brought enormous changes for our mission partners. We are hoping to welcome Rhys North from Frizinghall Church, who has recently been in Sudan visiting the Diocese of Khartoum.

**March 22nd : Responding to the Debt Crisis**

For several years we have supported the CAP Debt Centre in Shipley. Thomas Knight (Manager) will be joining us to share something about the present situation, and what the future may hold.

**March 29th :** Speaker to be confirmed .

**Messy Church and See & Know**

God is blessing us so much in the work we do with families, both at See & Know and Messy Church.  We are welcoming multiple new families to See & Know every week and we have a handful of otherwise non-churched families who regularly attend Messy Church.  We should all be so encouraged by this and praising God that he allows us to partner with him in introducing these families to Jesus.  Please be praying for this work, especially for Messy Church in the run up to Easter.  We are shamelessly preaching the gospel over the next three months and I can't wait to see people choose to follow Jesus!

Welcoming lots of people to these groups means lots of preparation work.  Would you like to join a team to help with preparing activities?  Tasks would be simple things like cutting, folding and putting things in bags**.  This group will run on a Friday at warm spaces on 10th March (preparing Mother's Day gifts for See & Know) and 17th March (Messy Church prep)**.  Please let Jessica Criddle know if you are interested in helping in this way (07786 940921 or families@stpetes.org.uk).  I also love to talk about the amazing things we are seeing God do through this work, so please catch me between services and I will happily encourage you with some good news stories.  Or why not come along to Messy Church one month and see for yourself what God is doing!"

**An invitation from Shipley Baptist Church**

**"Pint and Ponder"**

During Lent each Wednesday evening 8.00pm at the Ring O'Bells Pub on Bradford Road.

We will explore Christian believing in a relaxed, convivial atmosphere. It will be an opportunity to explore different aspects of Christian faith.

The first evening will be Ash Wednesday, 22 February.

**An invitation from Christchurch  LEP Windhill**

**5 week course - The Followers of Jesus by John Birch**

The five studies look at New Testament characters who encountered Jesus at a point in their lives, either through curiosity or need, and the effect that encounter had upon their lives.

**The group will start at 10.30am** and the dates are as follows: Wednesday  February 22nd, , Wednesday March 1st, miss a week, Wednesday 15th March, Wednesday 22nd March and Wednesday 29th March.

For further information and / or details of the venue please contact Euan either by email or phone. 2013edw@gmail.com Mobile 0758 3855530.

**Bradford North Foodbank – Shipley**

Thank you for all your donations.

Last week the foodbank centre in Shipley gave food to 83 people which is an all-time high.

At the moment we need: **hot chocolate, jam, peanut butter, dried milk, instant mash, UHT Milk, whole milk and semi skimmed, UHT fruit juice(not from the chiller cabinet) , deodorant, shaving foam, shampoo and cat food.**
Please continue to pray for the work of the foodbank, the people who come, the
staff, and volunteers who give their time to support and listen to people in need.
Thank you. Anthea, Julie, Pete, Stuart and Sue

**Warm Spaces : Fridays 10.30am – 2.30pm**

Thank you to you all your continued support and help on Fridays. For those wishing to help, the sign up sheet is on the Welcome Desk.  **Please do sign up for the dates in February.** Continued thanks to the Orange Grove, Saltaire, Melvyn Davies and Shipley College.

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 or have a word with Kerry in the office.

**Joy**

The trustees are in the very early stages of looking at a literacy programme for women in Aden, Yemen, with a creche and sewing workshop. This would be run by a local NGO . It is understood that we are a small charity, but hope and pray we could make a meaningful contribution. Please pray about this exciting opportunity. Kathy

**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/74060153593?pwd=1JHhWck9r5FAnFnGLXYBK0Vy9NN6uA.1>
Meeting ID: 740 6015 3593
Passcode: i0ZLZR

**Eco Tips**

If your hedges need trimming, to help the birds try to do this before nesting season in March but after the birds have eaten the berries. Have you an eco challenge or tip to share? Please email gemmarichards15@hotmail.com

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

Pray for those who are ill or have other needs, especially members of St. Peter’s family: John and Barbara Arkley, Dave Atkin, Adele Attwood, Lis Bals, Jo Baxter, Maureen Bragg, Sue Dent, Hazel Fawley, Glenys Gillow, Moira Gledhill, Lorna Hartley, Gina Hearne, Ian Hearne (Gina’s son), Rowena and Keith Hodgson, Pat Hornby, Barbara Lehane, Val Ross, Joyce Taylor, and Joan Yeates.

**Mission Partner News**

**From St John Perry**

Thanks for praying. Within hours of sending the last prayer letter there was movement on two fronts. First, news came from the Diocese of Rochester that Bishop Jonathan was happy to move matters forward, and was asking his Chaplain to process the necessary *Permission to Officiate*. Out in Sabah this development of oversight by a UK bishop was greeted warmly, exactly what they were hoping for. Second, the ordination service was moved from Telupid in the remote Borneo interior, to All Saints Cathedral, Kota Kinabalu. This is sad in a way, but very much simplifies all the logistics.

**Dates and details** 6-7 Feb. Emirates flights to Kuala Lumpur. MAS flight to Kota Kinabalu arriving 22.10. **9-12 Feb.** Ordination Retreat *Time to sort out ordination garments* **19 Feb.** Preaching at Christ Church, Likas (in Malay and in English at two services) *Time to visit OMF colleagues on the Malaysia field team* **27 Feb.** Ordination at All Saints Cathedral **1-2 March** MAS and Emirates flights back to Gatwick, arriving 11.40 • Praise for things coming together - pray for good health and freedom from any fevers so I’m allowed to enter after Covid temperature screening on arrival. • Remember Ellie continuing to support our Fiona’s family over this month.

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|  **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.**

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| **Vicar** |  John Rainer |  01274 584488 |  Friday |
| **Associate Priest**  |  Brian Greenfield |  01274 788345 |  Saturday |
|  **Licensed Lay Minister** |  Viv Brealey 07519 552231 |
| **Treasurer** |  Mike Moss 07758 575653 |
| **Churchwardens** |  Mervyn Silva 01274 419815 Gemma Richards 07743 122828 |
| **Children & Youth Worker** |  Vacant  |
| **Shipley Neighbours** |  07848413941 |
| **Pastoral Co-ordinators** |  Carol Brown Keith Brown |  01274 585242  01274 585242 |  |
| **Church Office**  |  Mon–Thurs  9.00am –12.30pm Fri 9.00-11.00am |  01274 400381 |  |
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