

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

to bring God's

key transforming

community bringing

about this change, as

a church alive with the joy of knowing and worshipping

Jesus Christ.

Word of God, which

serves others in order

Kingdom. We want St Peter's to become a

# Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2023 Second Sunday of Lent



# **Worship This Sunday**

#### 9:30am All Age Worship

Understanding the Gospel John 3.1-17 (John Rainer)

#### 11:00am Holy Communion

Understanding the Gospel Romans 4. 1-5, 13-17 John 3.1-17 (Andy Thorlby)

#### 6:30pm Evening Reset

The cost of being a disciple Numbers 21.4-9 Luke 14. 25-33 (John Rainer)

Following Jesus – making disciples – serving others

This week: 6 <sup>th</sup> March – 12 <sup>th</sup> March					
Monday	9.00am Morning Prayer online				
	3.30pm St. Peter's Bowling Club AGM	Large Hall			
	7.00pm CoAnon Family Group	Upper Room			
Tuesday	From 9.15am TinyBeats (Book Here)	Lounge			
Wednesday	9.00am Morning Prayer online				
	2.00pm Well Together Singing Group	Lounge			
	7.30pm Lent Course with John Rainer	Church			
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			
Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am All Age Holy Communion	Church			
March	11.00am Morning Worship	Church			
	6.30pm Holy Communion	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 on our website <a href="here">here</a>.

6<sup>th</sup> March 2022 – 11<sup>th</sup> March 2023

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Ps. 32 Jer. 7. 21 - end John. 6. 41- 51	Ps. 50 Jer. 8. 1-15 John. 6. 52- 59	Ps. 35 Jer. 8.18 - 9.11 John. 6. 60- end	Ps. 34 Jer. 9. 12 –24 John. 7. 1-13	Ps. 41 Jer. 10. 1- 16 John. 7. 14-24	Ps. 25 Jer. 10. 17- 24 John. 7. 25- 36
Ps. 74 Heb. Ch.1	Ps. 52 Heb. 2. 1 - 9	Ps. 3 Heb. 2. 10 - end	Ps. 71 Heb. 3. 1- 6	Ps. 6 Heb. 3. 7- end	Ps. 23 Heb. 4. 1 - 13

# A thankyou from the family of Brandon Jackson

I want to say a big thanks all at St P's for all the support you have shown over the whole process of arranging the service of thanksgiving for my father. The result of your efforts was a service that has been much appreciated, not just by the family, but the many who attended, both in person and on-line - now getting on for 500 all told.

I offer up my prayers for the continued mission of St P's to the people of Shipley (...and beyond!) Yours gratefully, Robert

#### Thanks from BEACON

BEACON sends grateful thanks to St Peter's congregation for the very generous donation of £1,320 from the Christmas Red Post Box Appeal. The Annual Report for 2022 is now published and there are copies on the welcome table. Do take a copy, to read of BEACON'S very positive continuing work of supporting asylum seekers, in an increasingly hostile environment with a Home Office incapable of processing asylum claims. Thankyou.

#### Live@Costa

Sunday 5th March Live@Costa at Costa Cafe, Market Street, Shipley at 6.30pm with beautiful music by Woven Chord. Organised by Shipley Christians Together. Pay as you feel. All welcome.

#### TakeTime - Lent series

Are you wondering what TakeTime is? This short video explains: https://youtu.be/q-i77D2mnbA

Not to compete with the Wednesday Lent sessions in church, which look very interesting, but as an online alternative that you can access from anywhere, as long as you have a device with Zoom on it...

Join me (Helen Scott) 8.30pm on...

Wednesdays 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th March, 5th April

Good Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April & Easter Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> April.

Zoom link: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5453966983">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5453966983</a>

Meeting ID: 545 396 6983

Relax, have a break, enjoy the sense of peace. Just 20 mins long.

For a weekly reminder email: <a href="mailto:helsplatt@hotmail.com">helsplatt@hotmail.com</a>

# Saturday 11th March - Saltaire URC church

Leeds Male Voice Choir sing highlights from their repertoire in the church that Titus Salt built. Doors open at 19:30. Tickets available here.

#### **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 1<sup>st</sup>: 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 8<sup>th</sup>: Giving up apathy for Lent. Now that we have emerged from the Covid pandemic, what are our plans for the future? John Rainer will be leading with some of the PCC's present ideas, and welcoming your input to discussion.

# March 15<sup>th</sup>: Overseas Mission – a way forward.

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

## March 22<sup>nd</sup>: 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 29<sup>th</sup>: Clergy and Lay Together. We are hoping that Andy Norman, Diocesan Director of Training, will be joining us to talk about this aspect of the Diocese's vision for the future.

# Saturday 11th March - (9.00am) - Church on the Way (BD10 8SA)

I write with details of another Breakfast for Men.

We are often privileged to welcome guests who share remarkable testimonies and Gareth Thompson is our March breakfast speaker.

A Poster with full details of this event is enclosed to assist in promoting it. If possible please 'display' or 'forward' the Invitation to encourage others to come and hear another life changing message! Blessings & Thanks, Trevor

# Plastic Free Shipley Community Meeting/AGM - 23RD MARCH 7PM

@ Kirkgate Centre, Shipley, BD18 3EH

Share ideas. Hear from those involved. Find out how you can help. Cuppa and Cake – YAY! Bring a reusable cup. RSVP: shirleypf@gmail.com or just pop along.

#### 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 takes place on Fridays at warm spaces and is wonderfully relaxed and informal, so just turn up and join in. I am always willing to welcome new volunteers to the team, so please contact me if you think this is something you would like to do. I am particularly looking for volunteers for our Easter special on 16<sup>th</sup> April, so please do be thinking and praying about whether that is something you could help with. My contact details are 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! Jessica Criddle Also - One-off help needed! We'd like to do some Mother's Day craft with the children at See & Know on Friday 17th March. Everything will be provided and full instructions given, you will just need to turn up at 9am. If you would like to help with this, please contact Jessica so she can plan ahead and sort supplies.

# An invitation from Shipley Baptist Church "Pint and Ponder"

During Lent Wednesday evenings 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.

# 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 remaining dates are as follows: 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. <a href="mailto:2013edw@gmail.com">2013edw@gmail.com</a> Mobile 0758 3855530.

## **Bradford North Foodbank - Shipley**

Thank you for all your donations.

In the first 8 weeks of 2023 we have seen a 78% increase in the number of people fed at Shipley food bank centre compared to the same period in 2022. At the moment we need: biscuits, crisps/snacks, hot chocolate, jam, peanut butter, instant mash, UHT Milk (whole milk and semi skimmed), UHT fruit juice(not from the chiller cabinet), chocolate, deodorant, shaving foam, shampoo, cat food and strong carrier bags.

Please remember to save **empty washing up liquid** bottles so we can decant washing up liquid to give to more people. Do ask your friends, colleagues and family to help as it takes a long time to get through a bottle of washing up liquid. We would love to have **more volunteers** too. This does not have to be a weekly commitment. Please have a word with one of us and it would be great to have you on the team.

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 now sign up for the dates in March.** 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

No more warm woollies for Ukraine as next consignment goes in a few weeks-Spring. So vitamins, paracetamol, bandages etc and 5kg bags rice or pasta more important. Our container for Yemen is now scheduled for beginning of May; again 5 kg bags rice or pasta, vitamins, medical supplies most important. Thank you. 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/71497613437?pwd=upJNUMOQ8pGK9gqTVvycyUqNgb14nH.1

Meeting ID: 714 9761 3437

Passcode: Pd3FS6

#### **Eco Tips**

Used serviettes can be used to wipe fat from pans to prevent this being washed down the drain, and leading to 'fat bergs' in the sewers. Have you got an eco tip or challenge 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

St John's ordination took place last Monday in Malaysia in a 3-hour service! Please pray for safe travel for him as he returns to the UK, and for St John and Ellie as they make plans for retirement from the work with OMF.

#### Rachel McGirr

Rachel isn't an official mission partner (not yet anyway!) but this week she starts a new job in the Christian School in Kluang, south Malaysia. Pray for the building of good relationships with staff and students.

#### Julian Shelton

During March and April Julian will be on sabbatical. Pray that this time will be refreshing for him. He is planning to do an online Hebrew Course.

# **Alice Shirengo**

We have had a short message from Alice, who says she is well, but asking for prayer for her children, who are working amongst street children in Kenya.

#### 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 (<a href="mailto:mandythorlby@gmail.com">mandythorlby@gmail.com</a>, or 07801 138180). If you'd like to donate to the Helping Hands Fund, please contact Andy Thorlby <a href="mailto:thorlbya@yahoo.co.uk">thorlbya@yahoo.co.uk</a> 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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