

- 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 12th March 2023 Third Sunday of Lent



Worship This Sunday

9:30am All Age Holy Communion

Responding to the Gospel John 4.4-26 (John Rainer/Helen Scott)

11:00am Morning Worship

Responding to the Gospel Amos 7. 1-10 John 4.4-26 (Viv Brealey)

6:30pm Holy Communion

Contending for the Gospel Ephes. 6 10-20 John 2.13-22 (John Rainer)

Following Jesus – making disciples – serving others

This week: 13 th March – 19 th March					
Monday	9.00am Morning Prayer online				
	7.00pm CoAnon Family Group	Upper Room			
Tuesday	From 9.15am TinyBeats (Book Here)	Lounge			
Wednesday	9.00am Morning Prayer online				
	7.30pm Lent Course with Rhys North	Church			
Thursday	10.00am Diane's Exercise Class	Lounge			
	7.30pm PCC Meeting	Hope Chapel			
Friday	9.00am Morning Prayer online				
	9.30am See & Know	Church			
	10.30am Warm Spaces	Lounge			
	7.15pm Youthie	Lounge			
Saturday	4.00pm Music Café	Church			
	5.30pm Refresh	Church			
Sunday 19 th	11.00am Holy Communion	Church			
March	3.30pm Messy Church	Church & Lounge			
	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 here.

13th March 2022 - 18th March 2023

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Ps. 5 Jer. 11. 1 -17 John. 67. 37- 52	Ps. 9 Jer. 11.18 – 12.6 John. 7.53 - 8.11	Ps. 38 Jer. 13. 1 -11 John. 8. 12- 30	Ps. 56 Jer. Ch. 14 John. 8. 31-47	Ps. 22 Jer. 15. 10- end John. 8. 48-end	Ps. 31 Jer. 16.10 - 17.4 John. 9. 1- 17
Ps. 17 Heb. 4.14 – 5.10	Ps. 64 Heb. 5.11 – 6.12	Ps. 39 Heb. 6. 13 - end	Ps. 59 Heb. 7. 1- 10	Ps. 69 Heb. 7.11- end	Ps. 116 Heb. Ch.8

TakeTime - Lent series

Are you wondering what TakeTime is? This short video explains:

https://voutu.be/g-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 15th, 22nd, 29th March, 5th April

Good Friday 7th April & Easter Sunday 9th April.

Zoom link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5453966983

Meeting ID: 545 396 6983

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

For a weekly reminder email: helsplatt@hotmail.com

Electoral Roll

In readiness for our Annual Parish Meeting at the end of April, we are encouraging all those who have started to worship at St Peter's recently to join the Electoral Roll of the church. This entitles you to vote at the Annual Meeting when elections take place for Wardens, PCC members etc. You should either reside in the parish OR have worshipped at St Peter's for six months or more. You don't need to re-apply if you are already on the roll. Forms are available on the Welcome Desk.

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.

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. 2013edw@gmail.com Mobile 0758 3855530.

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 15th: 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 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: 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.

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

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 16th 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.

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

Dear Friends,

Please pray for St John's Muscat- the new Anglican church in Oman, at long last after 12 years frustrations, hard work and plans, the bishop was able to get approval from the Minister of religions, so now they are free of the corruption, the wrong use of money etc etc. Please pray for Chris that he will get the necessary funding, pray for their work and outreach, now they are free to reach out to people, and for wisdom as he sets up a new team for this exciting opportunity.

Thank you Kathy

Saturday morning prayers

On Saturday 11 March at 10 am please join us via Zoom for half an hour or so of online prayer for ourselves, the church, and wider world. For any questions please ring Gemma Richards, 07743122828. All are welcome! You shouldn't need a password but if you do it is hello

Join Zoom Meeting

 $\underline{https://us04web.zoom.us/j/75938829911?pwd=dtmy30tdgUqGU2aCgz0Di5jLGptCBJ.1}$

Meeting ID: 759 3882 9911

Passcode: hello

Eco Tips

Not an eco tip as such but in terms of church environment, if you see something that looks broken or that might be a health and safety issue, please do let one of the staff know. 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, Alison Barnard, 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

Focus on Sudan

As many of you as possible are encouraged to come and hear Rhys North from Frizinghall speaking about his recent visit to Sudan next Wednesday evening at 7.30pm in church.

Pray for Archbishop Ezekiel and his family as they seek to lead the church in Sudan through a time of inflation, immense social problems, and the lack of medical supplies during the Covid pandemic.

On Wednesday we also hope to hear more about St Matta's in Omdurman, for which we held a Gift Day last year. Pray for God's blessing upon their ministry to orphans, and to children in general who would otherwise receive no formal education. Pray that the money they are receiving from our Diocese will be effectively and wisely used.

Give thanks for the work of the Mothers' Union in the Sudan church - often the most effective organisation there in addressing social problems and in evangelism.

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	
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			Saturday	
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