

Sunday 19th March 2023 Fourth Sunday of Lent



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.

Worship This Weekend

Saturday

5:30pm Refresh

Sunday

11:00am Holy Communion

Mothering Sunday Psalm 127.1-4 Luke 2.25-35 (John Rainer)

3:30pm Messy Church

Following Jesus – making disciples – serving others

This week: 20 th March – 26 th March					
Monday	9.00am Morning Prayer online				
	7.00pm CoAnon Family Group	Group Upper Room			
Tuesday	From 9.15am TinyBeats (Book Here)	Lounge			
Wednesday	9.00am Morning Prayer online				
	7.30pm Lent Course with Thomas Knight	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			
Saturday	10.00am Bradford Chorale Come and Sing	Church			
	event – The Armed Man				
	6.30pm Performance of the Armed Man –	Church			
	tickets <u>here</u>				
Sunday 26th	9.30am All Age Worship	Church			
March	11.00am Morning Worship	Church			
	6.30pm Holy Communion	Church			

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 March 2022 – 25th March 2023

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Ps. 25; 147. 1-12 Isa. 11. 1 -10 Matt. 13. 54- end	Ps. 79 Jer. 18. 1 – 12 John. 10. 1 -10	Ps. 63 Jer. 18. 13 - end John. 10. 11- 21	Ps. 86 Jer. 19. 1- 13 John. 10. 22-end	Ps. 102 Jer. 19.14- 20.6 John. 11. 1-16	Ps. 111; 113 1 Sam. 2. 1 - 10 Rom. 5. 12- end
Ps. 1; 112 Matt. 2.13 – end	Ps. 80 Heb. 9.15 – end	Ps. 91 Heb. 10. 1 - 18	Ps. 94 Heb. 10. 19-25	Ps. 85 Gal. 4. 1-5	Ps. 131; 146 Heb. 2. 5- end

NOTICES

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 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

Cake Sale at church Sunday 26th March

Julia Slaney is doing a Cake Sale between the 9.30 and 11am services on Sunday 26th March to raise money for Bradford Refugee Forum. Please come prepared for a delicious snack!

Save the Date:

Saturday 15th July Missions BBQ 😂 🤩 🕒 🛑 🔶 🔅 🔅 at the Agars.

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.

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.

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.

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 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 which help us to be able to continue to feed people who need help and to signpost them to further support.

At the moment we need: biscuits, hot chocolate, UHT Milk (whole milk and semi skimmed), UHT fruit juice(not from the chiller cabinet), chocolate, deodorant, shaving foam, shampoo and cat food.

We are very short of **strong carrier bags** and would be great if you are able to donate some - old or new.

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 Know

This week at Messy Church we are looking at Jesus' invitation to accept his death on our behalf and live forever with him in the garden of the new creation. We will be giving people plenty of opportunity to respond to Jesus' invitation themselves. Please pray that those who come would be receptive to the Gospel. We will also be encouraging them to invite their friends along to our **Easter Special on 16th April.** Please pray for boldness to invite their friends and that their friends would respond by coming along!

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 sign up for the remaining 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

It is a difficult time at the moment with prices up and income down but the needs are ever greater. Having to lean heavily on the Lord. Please do pray for all we are doing. Kathy

Saturday morning prayers

Please join us on Zoom on Saturday 18 March at 10 am for half an hour or so of prayers online for each other, our church, community and wider world. All are welcome. Please ring Gemma Richards on 07743122828 with any queries. You shouldn't need a password but if you do it is hello.

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us04web.zoom.us/j/77389989501?pwd=pAMZ9wa75sYPeocK4GaRSFDZe CnJfj.1

Meeting ID: 773 8998 9501

Passcode: hello

Eco Tips

This week's eco tip is from Kathy Tedd about Tearfund's 'rubbish campaign', trying to reduce the harm and deaths (1 every 30 seconds) caused by the fact that 2 billion people cannot safely dispose their rubbish. Psalm 113: v 7 - 8 indicates God has a different plan for his people. To find out how you can support Tearfund's campaign go to tearfund.org/rubbish. 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

Last Wednesday some of us were able to hear recent Sudan news from Rhys North who recently visited Khartoum and Port Sudan.

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 heard more about St Matta's in Omdurman, for which we held a Gift Day last year. Praise God that progress is being made as a result of our donations! 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 Vose, T: (07972647427), E: safeguarding@stpetes.org.uk. Child Line can be contacted on 0800 1111.

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