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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 27th August 2023**  **Twelfth after Trinity**  August Flowers - YouTube  **Worship This Sunday**    **10.30 am Morning Worship**  Faith  Genesis 15.1-6  Hebrews 11.7-11  (John Rainer)  **6.30pm Holy Communion**  Addressing a hostile culture  ACTS 17.15-end  John 6.56-69  (Viv Brealey)  ***Following Jesus – making disciples – serving others*** |

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| **This week: 28th August – 3rd September** | | |
| Monday | 7.00pm CoAnon Family Group | General Office |
| Friday | 11.00am Welcome Space! Welcome Back! | Lounge |
| Saturday | 5.30pm Prayer Meeting for the church | Church |
| **Sunday 3rd September** | 10.30am Holy Communion; John and Julie’s last service.  You are all welcome to join their farewell lunch after the service. Please sign up on the sheet on the Welcome Desk! | Church  Lounge |

**Daily Readings**

Online Morning Prayer is paused until September 4th . The set readings for the week are as follows. You can find liturgy for prayers on our website [here](about:blank).

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| **28th August 2023 – 2nd September 2023** | | | | | |
| **Monday** | **Tuesday** | **Wednesday** | **Thursday** | **Friday** | **Saturday** |
| **Morning Prayer** | | | | | |
| Ps. 98  Mic. 7. 1- 7  Mark 6. 45 - end | Ps. 106  Mic. 7. 8 - end  Mark 7. 1 - 13 | Ps. 111  Hab. 1. 1-11  Mark 7. 14 - 23 | Ps. 115  Hab. 1.12 – 2.5  Mark 7. 24 - 30 | Ps. 139  Hab. 2. 6 - end  Mark 7. 31 - end | Ps. 121  Hab. 3. 2 – 19a  Mark 8. 1 - 10 |
| **Evening Prayer** | | | | | |
| Ps. 105  Acts 8. 26 - end | Ps. 107  Acts 9. 1-19a | Ps. 119. 129 - 152  Acts 9. 19b-31 | Ps. 116  Acts. 9. 32 - end | Ps. 130  Acts 10. 1 – 16 | Ps. 118  Acts 10. 17 - 33 |

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| **Notices** |

**Prayer meetings for the next period of St. Peters**

As we prepare for the future following John’s retirement, we believe the most important thing we can do is to come together to pray. As part of this, there will be a prayer meeting at 5:30pm every Saturday until further notice. This will last around 30-45 minutes and take place in the Hope Chapel or church and will be an informal prayer time, focussing on God’s wisdom and guidance for our next stage as a church. If you would be willing to lead the prayer meetings, please contact Jenni [office@stpetes.org.uk](mailto:office@stpetes.org.uk), all help will be greatly appreciated.

**Barbara Dyer**

We are saddened to have to report the sudden death of Barbara Dyer on Thursday 24th . Your prayers are requested for Peter and for their family.

**Malcom Grainge’s Funeral**

Malcolm’s Grainge’s funeral will take place on Tuesday 29th August at 2pm. It will be held at Beetham Hall Crematorium, Milnthorpe LA7 7BQ.

All welcome, but please email his daughter Nicola or speak to John if you plan to attend the wake and funeral so the family have an idea of numbers.

[Nicolaherb@gmail.com](mailto:Nicolaherb@gmail.com)

**John and Julie’s Farewell**

John and Julie’s last Sunday service with us will be next Sunday, **Sunday 3rd September** before they prepare to move to their new home in the North West. There will be one joint service that day at 10.30am to allow us to come together and celebrate their ministry among us and bid them farewell. After the service there will be a farewell party, which you are all invited to attend! If you are able to help provide food, cake, salads, please speak to Viv, Sue P, Karen P & Frances. If you would like to contribute to a farewell thank you gift from St Peter’s, please give gifts in a marked envelope to the wardens, Viv, Karen or Mike or use the appropriate button on the church card machine. Thank you.

**Welcome Space**

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**See & Know and Messy Church**

September is just around the corner and that means the start of a new year of work with families and children. See & Know and Messy Church are a blessing to so many families, but we need more people to help with this vital work. Could you help with any of the following tasks?

* Helping prepare and serve refreshments at See & Know an a Friday morning (9am-11am)? This will be for September only.
* Joining the ‘Messy Church’ team? We need all sorts of people! Could you tell a story or lead prayer time? Maybe you could lead one of our table activities? Would you be happiest moving furniture or tidying up? Whatever you can do, please speak to Jessica ([jessica.criddle@stpetes.org.uk](mailto:jessica.criddle@stpetes.org.uk)) who will be more than happy to talk you through the options.
* Committing to pray for a family? This year I would all our families to be prayed for on a regular basis. Let’s see what God will do as we lift these families to him.

I’m very excited for all this year will bring! All the best, Jessica, Liz and the ‘See & Know’ and ‘Messy Church’ team!

**Rubble**

We have some left over rubble from the building work fixing the ‘Small Hall’. Please help yourself as it needs to go as it’s taking up space in the car park.

**Men’s Walk**

Men's walks continue each Wednesday through August.  Meet at church car park 7pm for a 2-3 mile local walk at a steady pace. All welcome - just turn up. Any queries or suggested routes please contact Jonathan 07890480230.

**Bradford North Foodbank – Shipley**  
A huge 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.

Thank you for the treats for children you've been donating - please continue to donate **crisps, sweets, tinned fruit and hot chocolate** to help us provide some nice extras alongside our normal food parcels.

At the moment we especially need:**biscuits, tinned or packet soup, UHT Milk (whole milk and semi skimmed), UHT fruit juice (not from the chiller cabinet) and razors/shaving foam.**

Please also remember to save and donate empty**washing up liquid bottles and strong carrier bags**.    
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.

**Small Hall Renovations**

The works for the small hall are almost finished! We just have a couple of layers of paint to pop on the wall, a door handle to pop on a cupboard door and to install a back splash against the wall. Thank you so much to everyone who has helped in any way shape or form! Thank you very much to Leeds Playhouse for donating the floor boards! They will be well loved by everyone who uses the room.

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**Joy**

I’m taking a couple of weeks off while my son, Chris and his family are here. After the 21st when they fly back to Oman, I will be busy again keeping the two JOY shops going, and packing and sorting for Ukraine (a consignment every few weeks), and the next 40 foot container for Yemen, probably in November. So please keep the goods coming: medical supplies of any sort (date no problem for Ukraine) 5kg bags of rice or pasta for Yemen, instant pastas, cuppa soups etc for the Ukraine soldiers, hygiene packs (bar soap, toothpaste and brushes) feminine hygiene particularly needed and towels and blankets. Thank you all. Kathy.

**Saturday morning prayers**

Saturday morning prayers are taking a break over the summer period. We’ll be back in September with our regular Saturday morning prayers over Zoom. Thank you, Andy & Gemma

**Eco Tip**

Keep a reusable water bottle or beverage cup in your car to avoid plastic bottles/cups. Have you an eco-tip or challenge to share? Please email [gemmarichards15@hotmail.com](mailto:gemmarichards15@hotmail.com)

**Disability Training**

The Diocesan Disability Team invite you to their next training session: The Church, Neurodiversity and Me.

How can the church better welcome and value neurodiversity?

We will be learning from people who have personal experience of neurodiversity about the difficulties they have encountered within church and how we can better welcome and value people’s diverse gifts. There will be time for questions and sharing best practice, as well as worship.

This session will be delivered twice, once in-person and once online, so please pick whichever option suits you best:

**30th September, 11.10am-2.30pm – Holy Trinity, Meanwood, Leeds, LS6 4LF** – [Click here](https://learning.leeds.anglican.org/event/the-church-neurodiversity-and-me/) for more information or

**4th November, 10am-12pm – Online via Zoom** – [Click here](https://learning.leeds.anglican.org/event/the-church-neurodiversity-and-me-online/) for more information .

If anyone is interested in participating, to contact Jo Baxter (The Disability Officer for St Peter’s) Thank you.

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

Pray for those who are ill or have other needs, especially members of St. Peter’s family: Barbara Arkley, Dave Atkin, 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, Joan Yeates, Ursula Moore and Vicky Scott.

**Mission Partner News**

**Sudan**

Please continue to pray for Sudan, as we hear very little on the news about it. We understand that Khartoum remains a very dangerous place. Archbishop Ezekiel and others have been trying to establish a new office in the relative safety of Port Sudan. Pray that there might be a breakthrough in negotiations between the warring factions.

Pray too that Sudanese Christians who are currently based in Bradford will be able to retain contact with families and friends in Sudan, and that Christians in Sudan may be effective in witnessing to their faith despite the dangerous nature of many parts of the country.

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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@](about:blank)gmail.com, or 07801 138180). If you'd like to donate to the Helping Hands Fund, please contact Andy Thorlby  [thorlbya@yahoo.co.uk](about:blank)   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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| **CONTACT ST. PETER’S DAY OFF** | | | |
| **Vicar** | John Rainer | 01274 584488 | Friday |
| **Associate Priest** | Brian Greenfield | 01274 788345 | Friday or  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** | 01274 400381 | | |
| **Pastoral Co-ordinators** | Carol Brown  Keith Brown | 01274 585242  01274 585242 |  |
| **Church Office** | Jennifer Reid  Mon–Fri  9.00am –12.30pm | 01274 400381 |  |
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