



ST. PETER'S

— 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.**



# St Peter's

## Monthly Newsletter

July 2024 Edition



"Wisdom, like inheritance, is a good thing and benefits those who see the sun" Ecclesiastes 5:11

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***Following Jesus – making disciples – serving others***

## Services for this week and next

Services for the rest of July will be published next week

Services this Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> July					
Sixth Sunday after Trinity					
<b>9.30am</b>	<b>All Age Worship</b> Boasting in weakness 2 Cor 10:12-18 (Natasha Thomas)	<b>11.15am</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b> Boasting in weakness 2 Cor 12:2-10 Mark 6:1-13 (Natasha Thomas)	<b>6.30pm</b>	<b>Evening Worship Reset</b> Natasha's Story Readings TBC

Services next Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> July					
Seventh Sunday after Trinity					
<b>9.30am</b>	<b>All Age Holy Communion</b> Test yourselves: signs of a true apostle 2 Cor 13:4-14 (TBC)	<b>11.15am</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b> Test yourselves: signs of a true apostle 2 Cor 13:4-14 Ephesians 1:3-14 (TBC)	<b>6.30pm</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b> A path to Joy Romans 15:14-29 Luke 10:25-37 (TBC)

Further details of services in July will be circulated next week. Please note that, from Sunday July 23 – Sunday August 25 inclusive, we will be following our summer holiday service pattern. This means there will be one joint morning service each Sunday at 10.30am, which will include all age input and activities for children.

## Daily Prayer and Readings for this week

Online Morning takes place on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 9am (ish) on the St Peter's page on Facebook – you can join live or watch the recording later. The set readings for the week are as follows. You can find the liturgy for prayers on our website [here](#).

8 <sup>th</sup> July – 13 <sup>th</sup> July 2024					
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>Morning Prayer</b>					
Ps. 126 1 Sam. ch.5 Luke 20.41 – 21.4	Ps. 132 1 Sam. 6. 1-16 Luke 21. 5-19	Ps. 119 1 Sam. ch. 7 Luke 21. 20-39	Ps. 143 1 Sam. ch. 8 Luke 21. 29 - end	Ps. 144 1 Sam. 9. 1-14 Luke 22. 1-13	Ps. 147 1 Sam. 9.15 – 10.1 Luke 22. 14-23
<b>Evening Prayer</b>					
Ps. 127 3 Cor. 6.1 – 7.1	Ps. 135 2 Cor. 7. 2- end	Ps. 136 2 Cor. 8. 1-15	Ps. 138 2 Cor. 8.16 – 9.5	Ps. 145 2 Cor. 9. 6 - end	Ps. 148 2 Cor. Ch. 10

## A message from Rev Natasha Thomas: A massive thank you!

Dear Friends,

I cannot say how thrilled I am to be joining your family and how grateful we are for the very warm welcome we have received. It is so obvious to us that God is moving in this place and I can see already the shoots of potential and God's work that we can join in with.

But first and foremost, I just want to say a massive thank you to everyone who contributed to my licensing service. It was amazing to see so many people contributing to the catering and serving of food and refreshments, the arranging of rooms, chairs and tables, the preparing of the service, the sound, the worship...all of which contributed to what felt like such a joyful and beautiful service. So THANK YOU! I feel so blessed to be coming to join such a team of committed, experienced and capable people.

I hope that over the coming weeks I will be able to visit house groups and other activities that members of the congregation attend or lead so that I can begin to see where the work and heart of the people of the church is.

A few of the PCC and I are meeting on Saturday and I hope to be able to get a sense of where it is felt that God has been calling you as a parish and how we can build on this work, as together we strive to share the love of God with the people of Shipley and Saltaire.

We will keep you posted!

Blessings,

Natasha



***Natasha will be speaking at both our morning services on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup>. At our 6.30pm Evening Reset Service, she will be speaking and sharing something of her journey and story so far so please do come along and start to get to know her better if you are able!***

## Can you help?

### Transport assistance

We have recently learnt a few members of our congregation are wanting to come to the services at St Peter's but are unable to due to transport issues. Are you able and willing to assist our church family and help fulfil the church's pastoral responsibility by being part of a rota to take people to and from St Pete's? If this is something you can do, please speak to Keith and Carol Brown or Jenni who can pop you on the rota to help people come to church. Thank you.

### Door Stewards – Volunteers needed

We are looking to increase our pool of door stewards who do a really important job providing a warm welcome to people arriving at church and helping make sure our services run smoothly. The rota for this is very flexible and fits round your availability. If you're interested in helping with this, please speak to Gemma or Mervyn.

### Crag Road Community Garden Volunteers needed

Our friends at Shipley Christians Together have let us know that a new weekly Gardening Club has been set up as part of the Crag Road Community Hub in the Methodist building in Crag Road. They are looking for some volunteer gardeners who could offer some time to a rota, supporting their paid gardener. The club meets between 10am and noon on Wednesdays and anyone who could offer a session a month, or even once every two months, would be very welcome. They are also looking to start a small library of gardening books and would be grateful for any donations of books towards this, especially any to do with growing fruit or vegetables. If you can help, please email [cragroad@bradfordnorth.org.uk](mailto:cragroad@bradfordnorth.org.uk)

## Upcoming events

### What's happening in St Peter's Church this week

<b>Monday 8<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>7.00 pm</b>	Bradford Voices	Church
<b>Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>11.00 am</b>	Memory Tree	Lounge
	<b>2.00 pm</b>	Well Together Singing Group	Lounge
<b>Thursday 11<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>10.00 am</b>	Diane's Exercise Class	Lounge
	<b>7.00 pm</b>	Land and Buildings Group	G. Office
<b>Friday 12<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>7.30 pm</b>	Saltaire W.I	Lounge
	<b>9.30 am</b>	See & Know	Church
	<b>11.00 am</b>	Welcome Space	Lounge
	<b>7.00 pm</b>	Youthie	Lounge
<b>Saturday 13<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>7.30 pm</b>	Choir	Church
	<b>3.30pm</b>	Mission BBQ	Agar's House
	<b>8.45 am</b>	Hot Aire	Lounge

### PCC Away Day

**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July, 10am-2pm, Christ Church Windhill.** Members of the Parochial Church Council will be taking some time away to pray and plan together and focussing on stewardship and generosity. Please pray for this day, if you are not a PCC member. A digest of business discussed at the latest PCC meeting in June is attached with the notices for information.

### Mission BBQ is back!

**3.30pm, July 13<sup>th</sup>, Frances and Jason Agar's house, 107 Moorhead Lane** (look out for the Swiss flag on the gates!) Pay as You Feel event to raise funds for our mission partners around the world. Meat and veggie alternatives, bread and drinks will be available. Please sign up on the list on the Welcome desk if you are planning to attend and indicate on the list if you are able to bring a salad or a pudding! Frances and Jason

### Men's Bowls evening

**19th July 7pm St Peters Bowls club Fernhill Rd.** Pie and pea supper, please bring your own alcoholic drinks, soft drinks, tea and coffee will be available. Members of the Bowls club will be on hand to help with the bowling! Please indicate if you want a vegetarian or gluten free option on the food, this will be a pay as you feel evening. I would hope we can give a generous donation to the Bowls club. Sign up sheet will be on the welcome desk at the back of church or email [martinforbes@gmail.com](mailto:martinforbes@gmail.com) Please feel free to invite friends along.

### Fun-Bun Fundraiser

**17<sup>th</sup> August 2024, 2.30pm in St Peter's Church Halls**

A fundraising event for BCCS Assist – the multifaith chaplaincy service which supports people at court in Bradford. The event is described as a 'Bake-off Take-Off' with aspiring home bakers invited to enter their best efforts, while others can come along and admire the bakes, enjoy a chat and a cuppa with friends, find out which cakes are prize winners and see if you can guess the Fun-Bun Champion! There will be opportunities to sample baking too. The organisers are looking for volunteers to bake cakes and volunteers to join the judging panel – see the attached flyer for details of how to volunteer or enter a bake. Tickets are £7 to attend and £2 for competitors and, again, there are details on the attached flyer of how to purchase these. The courts chaplaincy service does a vital job in supporting people at very difficult times in life and is entirely independent and self-supporting, so please do come along if you are able!

## Worship and discipleship

### Saturday Morning Zoom Prayers – 6 July

Please note there will be **NO SATURDAY MORNING ZOOM PRAYERS** this week. Back soon – watch this space for more details

## Prayer and support

### Just in case

As a church community, we have a responsibility to support you in times of need and, if it is helpful, to let your chosen next of kin know what's happening with you. To do this we would like to collect some information about who you would like us to contact if the need arises. This is for anyone who would like us to hold this information for you, but especially those whose closest family and friends do not live locally or have association with St Peter's. Your personal information

will be safely stored under our strict GDPR policy. There are some printed forms on the Welcome Desk, alternatively please fill in the online '[Contact Form](#)' for more information please speak to a member of the staff team. 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, Moira Gledhill, Rebecca Hall, Lorna Hartley, Albert Henning, Gina Hearne, Ian Hearne (Gina's son), Rowena and Keith Hodgson, Pat Hornby, Barbara Lehane, Ursula Moore, Joyce Taylor, Joan Yeates and the Wontner-Smith family. Please also continue to pray for Nancy Cusworth, Peter Dyer, Keith Scott and the families of Val Ross and Rita Stoney following their bereavements.

### Prayer Ministry Team

We can all be helped by talking and prayer with others from time to time. This does not just have to be limited to times when we are ill, although prayer for physical healing is very powerful and important. The Prayer Ministry Team are there for anyone, during Communion, at 11am services. Please do go and see them in the Hope Chapel if you are needing prayer for anything and everything - a job interview coming up, health issues, grieving for someone who has died, either recently or some time ago, feeling anxious about something - or wanting to rejoice, celebrate and say thank you in happy times. They would love to spend time with you and anything shared is kept completely confidential. Thank you, The Prayer Ministry Team.

## News and updates

### St Pete's Wonderful Warm Welcome Space - July 2024

Yay - she's here!! Welcome Rev Natasha from all of us who help out and visit St P's lovely Welcome Space, may your time with us teach us all about God's amazing Love and Grace xx And Jenni has arrived back safely from her trip to deepest darkest Africa, so mother can relax now! As for the weather in June, its been a bit of a damp adventurous one, with gale force winds, making the need for soup all that more necessary so please pop in to Welcome Space - we would love to see you, on Friday, between 11.00am until 2.00pm. 😊 Welcome Space really thrives on your company. This adventure is so beneficial to all ages, who drop by, either to keep warm and 'dry', break their isolation, chat and get something yummy to eat, in these tough financial and daunting times. With our ongoing success, we could really do with more Volunteers and splendid cake makers. We desperately need volunteers from 12.30pm, as well as those who fancy staying the course (you are amazing if you do), we would love your help. Please could you sign up to the rotas at the back of church on the Welcome desk. We need people to help in the kitchen, people to talk/pray with those popping in (so important for people's mental and spiritual wellbeing), welcome people into the building, bake yummy cakes, clear and wipe down tables, wash up - which is ongoing, as well as towards the end or even give donations to help keep this valuable service going! Please Scan the QR Code here, if you can, and help us out with a donation, every little bit helps, thank you. If you would like to volunteer, please chat to Annabel ([annabel.rigby@stpetes.org.uk](mailto:annabel.rigby@stpetes.org.uk)) or Karen Parkinson



([karen.parkinson@stpetes.org.uk](mailto:karen.parkinson@stpetes.org.uk)) for more information.

Thank you so much to very generous John, at the Orange Grove and his lovely hard-working assistants, Holly & Lucy, for all your delicious fruit & veg, we receive each week, to make the soups and fruit salads, and to the bakers at Melvyn Davis for their bread donations. Without their kind support, we would really struggle.

If you are not able to make it in, please help us by praying for the session and let us know if you need prayer, soup & some cake too.

**Please be aware, we are closing for the first 4 weeks of the August Summer Holidays**, to give our team a rest and to catch up on some housekeeping. We will be back spritely and happy to see you on Friday the 30<sup>th</sup> August 2024. Annabel has made a little booklet of all the places that are running Welcome Spaces in the Shipley area, copies are available at the back of the church on the Welcome desk and in Welcome Space, or feel free to email her for a copy.

Thank you, and have a lovely, happy, sunny, July. The Wonderful Warm Welcome Space team! 😊 😊 😊 😊 😊 😊

### Bradford North Foodbank – Shipley

Thank you for your ongoing support and prayers for the foodbank, where things have been steadily busy through the start of the summer.

Your generosity has seen over 450kg of food and essential toiletries donated in the first 6 months of the year - enough to feed 60 people!

**At this time we especially need: tin openers, UHT milk, 2-in-1 shampoo/shower gel, instant mash, tinned tuna and tinned fruit.**

We're currently raising funds to supply all visitors with a bag of fresh fruit and vegetables to go with the normal food parcel of long-life items - these are especially helpful to the families who visit. You can find the online page at:

<https://donate.giveasyoulive.com/campaign/bradford-north-foodbank-fresh-food>

or you can give cash/cheque donations to Pete Criddle.

Thank you  
Anthea, Pete, Stuart and Sue

## Children and Youth Work Update



Our community children's work is swiftly approaching the end of term. Please pray for the children who will be leaving us, that they will settle in well to their new nurseries and schools, but will also choose to make Messy Church their new home at St. Peter's. Finally, please pray that all our lovely volunteers enjoy a well-earned break over the summer. One date for your diary: On 9th August, we are having a toy sort and clean. We would love to welcome along anyone who would like to help us get ready for next year. Please speak to Jessica, Liz or Jenni for more info! Thank you!

## Mission Partner News



### Joy

The next JOY container to Yemen will be loaded on Friday August 2nd; any help appreciated. Most shipping companies are now refusing to sail to Yemen and the cost has gone up accordingly!! We are praying about the way forward; despite the difficulties, customs hassle and cost, the need there is desperate, millions of internal refugees being without access to water, food or medical help. Your prayers and support are much appreciated. Kathy

## Eco-church and sustainability

### July's eco tips

- If you're travelling for holiday, save energy by unplugging electronic devices that can be unplugged before you travel
- If you are mowing your lawn, help insects thrive by using a longer setting, and use lawn clippings round shrubs and trees
- Many of us are aware of our carbon footprint, but knowing the water footprint of the food we eat, can help us make more sustainable choices. The following link comes with a trigger warning for chocolate-loving eco warriors!  
<https://watercalculator.org/water-footprint-of-food-guide/>
- B & Q including the Keighley & Thornbury Road branches have introduced plant pot recycling, where you can drop off your old plastic plant pots, which will be recycled into new ones.

Have you an eco tip or challenge to share, email [gemmarichards15@hotmail.com](mailto:gemmarichards15@hotmail.com)

## Generosity and giving

### 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](mailto: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](mailto:thorlbya@yahoo.co.uk) or 01274 510951 or make a donation in the usual way into the church, clearly identified as "Helping Hands Fund".

### Giving at St Peter's



Just to remind those wishing to give to St Peter's we have multiple options. For more information, please look for the '[Giving to St Peter's Shipley](#)' print out on the 'Welcome Desk', alternatively please speak to a member of the staff team. **Don't forget** we claim '[Gift Aid](#)', so please fill in a form if you pay income tax! Or Scan the QR code on the left to donate to St Peter's!

**CONTACT ST. PETER'S****Day off**

<b>Vicar</b>	Natasha Thomas	07887 707221	Friday
<b>Associate Priest</b>	Brian Greenfield	01274 788345	Friday or Saturday
<b>Licensed Lay Minister</b>	Viv Brealey	07519 552231	
<b>Treasurer</b>	Mike Moss	07758 575653	
<b>Churchwardens</b>	Alan Armitage Gemma Richards	07743 122828	
<b>Children &amp; Youth Work</b>	Children's work Co-ordinator: Jessica Criddle <a href="mailto:jessica.criddle@stpetes.org.uk">jessica.criddle@stpetes.org.uk</a> or via the office Children's & Youth Administrator: Jenni Reid 01274 400381 or <a href="mailto:office@stpetes.org.uk">office@stpetes.org.uk</a>		
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