



ST. PETER'S
— SHIPLEY —



St Peter's

Monthly Newsletter

November 2024 Edition

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.



"This also cometh forth from the Lord of hosts, which is wonderful in counsel, and excellent in working" Isaiah 28:29

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Following Jesus – making disciples – serving others

Services for this month

| Services on Sunday 3rd November | | | | | |
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| All Saint's Day / Fourth Sunday before Advent | | | | | |
| 9.30am | All Age Worship Hebrews: Giving all that we are to Jesus Hebrews 9:11-14 (Mark Davies) | 11.15am | Holy Communion Hebrews: Giving all that we are to Jesus Hebrews 9: 11-14 Mark 12: 28-34 (Andy Thorbly) | 3pm-4pm | SPECIAL SERVICE OF REMEMBERING A LOVED ONE - Bereavement Service (Natasha Thomas) |

| Services on Sunday 10th November | | | |
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| Remembrance Sunday / Third Sunday before Advent | | | |
| 10.30 am | Morning Worship Remembrance Sunday Remembrance – Sacrifice Hebrews 9:24 – end Mark 1:14 - 20 (Natasha Thomas) | 6.30 pm | Holy Communion Time to remember Psalm 46 John 14: 1-29 (Natasha Thomas) |

| Services on Sunday 17th November | | | | | |
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| Second Sunday before Advent | | | | | |
| 11:15 am | Holy Communion Hebrews: Forgiveness Hebrews 10: 11-25 Mark 13: 1-8 (Viv Brealey) | 3.30 pm | Messy Church Lots of fun things to see and hear and a wonderful meal afterwards! (Jessica Criddle) | 6.30pm | Breathe Service At Windhill |

| Services on Sunday 24th November | | | | | |
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| Christ the King / Sunday before Advent | | | | | |
| 9.30 am | All Age Worship Christ the King John 18: 33-37 (David Slaney) | 11:15 am | Morning Worship Christ the King Rev 1: 4-8 John 18: 33-37 (Joe Batt) | 6.30 pm | Holy Communion Christ the King Zechariah 6: 9 – end Rev 11: 15-18 (Natasha Thomas) |

Daily Prayer and Readings for this week

Morning Prayer takes place on Tuesdays & Thursdays 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](#).

| 4 th November 2024 – 9 th November 2024 | | | | | |
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| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
| Morning Prayer | | | | | |
| Ps. 2 Dan ch. 1 Rev. ch. 1 | Ps. 5 Dan. 2. 1-24 Rev. 2. 1-11 | Ps. 9 Dan. 2. 25 - end Rev. 2. 12 - end | Ps. 15 Dan. 3. 1-18 Rev. 3. 1-13 | Ps. 16 Dan. 3. 19-end Rev. 3. 14 - end | Ps. 18. 31 - end Dan. 4. 1-18 Rev. ch. 4 |
| Evening Prayer | | | | | |
| Ps. 92 Matt. 1. 18 - end | Ps. 100 Matt. 2. 1-15 | Ps. 112 Matt. 2. 16 - end | Ps. 118 Matt. Ch. 3 | Ps. 143 Matt. 4. 1-11 | Ps. 145 Matt. 4. 12 - 22 |

This week's reflections from Rev Natasha Thomas

Dear Friends,

I want to once again thank everyone who came and contributed to our time away together, at Baildon St Johns. Going through the papers and points I feel we really have some excellent starting points for writing our action plan for the next 12 months.

What I need now is people who would like to get involved in the following groups, there is now a PCC representative for each one, but it would be great if we could have members from the different congregations involved.



Each group, will meet 4-6x a year, for no more than 2hrs each. They then will report back to the PCC.

Also, there will be an opportunity for those who were not able to attend the away day to contribute and for others to continue to add thoughts by adding to the points with post-it notes. So please look out for the notice board in church over the next couple of weeks. There will also be a few copies available to be taken away.

Please pray to see where God might be prompting you to get involved so that all of us feel that we are part of the mission that God is calling us to.

Yet with all this activity and planning, let us take heed of what our motivations are and how we are looking to build different aspects of our ministry. Psalm 127 reminds us that.

“Unless the Lord builds the house,

Those who build it labour in vain.
Unless the Lord watches over the city,
the watchman stays in vain.
It is in vain that you rise up early and go late to rest,
Eating the bread of anxious toil;
For He gives to his beloved sleep.”

Blessings to you all, Natasha

Can you help?

Bradford North Foodbank – Shipley

We thank God for the generosity of churches and schools as harvest donations continue to come in - the shelves of our warehouse are getting full for the first time this year!



At this time we continue to need: **tin openers, UHT milk, instant mash and tinned tuna.**

Last month we met a number of victims of domestic abuse at Shipley foodbank. We pray that God will shine his light into their lives, and work through those coming alongside these individuals.

As we put out our Christmas campaign this month, please pray that people and businesses will respond generously.

Thank you

Anthea, Pete, Stuart and Sue

Shipley Baptist Church is hosting the Inn Churches Winter Shelter from Monday 20th January - Monday 27th January.

For the shelter to run smoothly we require a team of volunteers each evening/night. There will be a team leader overseeing the shelter each night.

Volunteers are needed to cover the following:

Befrienders – to socialise with our guests. Make conversation, play games etc.

Dinner Team – to prepare and cook a 2-course hot dinner for guests and volunteers (up to 20 people). Tidy and wash up after.

Overnight Team – to supervise the shelter overnight.

Breakfast Team – to prepare and cook hot or cold breakfast.

If you would like to sign up to volunteer, please follow this link (It's good to have a mixture of females and males for each shift):

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/11zoN-3uAwpibtGwNzMyjv-bqqkYhMikNbnVtwseOQzk/edit?usp=sharing>

(If you are unable to click into this link, please paste it into your browser)

Inn Churches are holding a training session for volunteers at Shaw House on Tuesday 26th November. It would be great if you are able to attend this. I will also hold some training at Shipley Baptist Church in January, before our hosting week. I will confirm the date and time for this.

If you could forward this round to more people in your church who might like to volunteer, I would be really grateful.

For further information on the volunteer roles or if you have any questions, please get in touch, by email catherinefroud@hotmail.com, or feel free to give me a call on 07756 675029.

Many thanks, Cath Hardy

Children and Youth tasks you can do at home!.. please!

We have a few tasks we need help with that you can do whilst watching tv!! We need help preparing craft activities, cleaning equipment and much more. If you're willing to help please speak to Jessica (jessica.criddle@stpetes.org.uk) or see the Welcome Desk and take a 'Children and Youth Task' home with you. Thank you very much!

Help needed

Katharine needs to take some time off over the next few weeks whilst Nigel is in hospital and Martin could do with some help keeping the church and the halls clean in her absence. If you are able to help with this please contact either Martin or the church office for a list of what's needed. Any help that anyone can offer in this would be very much appreciated by Martin, Katharine and the staff team. Thank you.

Worship & Discipleship

Saturday Morning Prayers

Please join us at 10 am on Saturday 2 / 9 November for half an hour or so of online prayers on Zoom as we pray for each other, church and the world. If you have any questions or an item for prayer please contact

gemmarichards15@hotmail.com

Password if needed is hello

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/77689002117?pwd=4eiz7i00kk1eEefYFqJXx0OS8AiCcs.1>

Meeting ID: 776 8900 2117

Passcode: hello

Prayer and support

Prayer requests

Pray for those who are ill or have other needs, especially members of St. Peter's family: Louise Forbes, Nigel Leech and his family, Frank Vose and Frances; Barbara Arkley, Dave Atkin, Lis Bals, Alison Barnard, Jo Baxter, Maureen Bragg, Hazel Fawley, Lorna Hartley, Albert Henning, Ian Hearne, Rowena and Keith Hodgson, Pat Hornby, Barbara Lehane, Ursula Moore, Joyce Taylor, and the Wontner-Smith family, Keith Scott and the family of Peter Dyer.

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.

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 an 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.

News and updates

New Outreach Project - Exploring the Opportunities of Running a Baby Bank.

As some of you may know we have been keen to think through opportunities for outreach and to explore different possible projects. At the away day and then confirmed at PCC, we have decided to explore the idea of running a 'Baby Bank'. This is a service that provides clothes, nappies, and basic equipment for parents who are referred to the service by midwives, social workers and health visitors. We will be setting up a steering group in the next couple of weeks, to consider the viability and need of such a service and what we can then offer.

If you would like to know more about this project and possibly get involved, please get in touch with Jenni Reid, (jenni.reid@stpetes.org.uk) who will be leading this piece of exploration work for us. Thank you.



St Pete's Wonderful & Warm Welcome Space - November 2024

The Welcome Space Team would love you to drop in on Friday mornings, to enjoy a lovely warming bowl of homemade soup and cakes made by our lovely volunteer bakers. The session runs from 11.00am until 2.00pm. 😊 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, in these daunting times. Our ongoing need are; we could really do with more Volunteers and splendid cake makers. We desperately need volunteers from 12.30pm, as well as those who fancy helping throughout the session (you are wonderful, if you do), we would love your help. Please sign up on the sheets at the back of the church on the Welcome desk! We need help in the kitchen, help 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 above, if you can, help us out with a donation, every little bit helps, thank you.

Thank you to the Fawley's for their lovely donations of a food processor. It's certainly helped!

A little ask, if you could add a box of chocolates to your shopping, please. We would love to hand some chocolates to our guests during December as a little treat.

If you would like to volunteer or contribute in any way, please chat to Annabel (annabel.rigby@stpetes.org.uk; welcome.space@stpetes.org.uk) or Karen Parkinson (karen.parkinson@stpetes.org.uk) for more information.

On the back of the soup menu each week, is an activity (crossword/word search) which follows one of the previous Sundays Bible readings, please feel free to take a copy and challenge yourself or take it home to complete while you are sitting down with a cup of tea.

Thank you so much to Shipleys true blessing, John, at the Orange Grove and his lovely hard-working assistants, Holly & Eve, 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, Welcome Space 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.

Thank you all for all your help and support, have a lovely November xx

The Wonderful Warm Welcome Space team! 😊 😊 😊 😊 😊 😊

Children & Families

Thank you for all your support and prayer for all we do with children and families. A big thank you to anyone who has taken a job from the back of church or who helps with craft prep at Welcome Spaces. November can only mean one thing: Christmas... Yes, we are already preparing for our advent and Christmas events and there is going to be lots to do. From writing Christmas cards to sticking red tape on oranges, there will be something for everyone. Please keep an eye on the back of church for some jobs to take home or speak to Jessica if there is something you would particularly like to get involved in (I'm sure I'll be able to find something, even for the most niche of requests...!) Please be praying for the teams that help with our groups and services; it is a busy time of year in a season known for illness, stress and stretched diaries, so let's ask God to bring health and peace to them and their

families. Please also pray for the families who will be receiving our Christmas flyer, that they would put the dates in their diaries and come along with hearts ready to hear the Gospel. Thank you!

Mission Partner News



Connections to the world church perhaps have gone quiet lately, but that does not mean things are not happening! But what we are doing is reviewing who we give to and what our links with the Worldwide church is and how we can play our part in supporting them. If you have a link or are part of an organisation you think we should be supporting as a church, please let Rev Natasha know. Thanks

Wanted for JOY

Toothpaste and brushes, bar soap, facecloths, towels, blankets all in good as new condition

Wheelchairs and walkers etc, dressings and bandages, splints and leg braces

Stoma dressings, urinary catheters and drainage bags

New trainers (or as new) and walking boots, as new T shirts and shorts

For more information, please visit our website [Jubilee Outreach Yorkshire – Providing hope and a future to those in Third World situations \(joyworld.org.uk\)](http://Jubilee Outreach Yorkshire – Providing hope and a future to those in Third World situations (joyworld.org.uk))

Thank you, Kathy and the JOY team



Eco-church and sustainability

November's eco-tips

- ❖ Do you have a drawer of doom where you stash your old electrical cables, phone chargers and other electrical goods that you will never use but cannot get rid of? These often contain copper, which is in short supply and needed for the plan to decarbonise the electricity grid by 2030. Your nearest recycling centre accepting them is Dowley Gap, Wagon Lane Bingley
- ❖ Unsure if or where you can recycle, donate or repair your unwanted electricals? This is a handy website where you can search for nearby locations to recycle numerous items:- <https://www.recycleyourelectricals.org.uk/electrical-recycling-near-me/>
- ❖ 23 Nov to 1 Dec is National Tree week, celebrating all things tree, and marking the winter tree planting tree season. To find out more about trees, and how they benefit us check out : <https://treecouncil.org.uk/seasonal-campaigns/> or head into local woodland, or look out of the window to enjoy trees first hand
- ❖ Buy Nothing Day is 29 Nov. Can you challenge yourself to buy nothing one or more days this month and reflect on how our over consumerism harms God's creation? Potentially money saved could be given to a cause close to your heart.

Have you an eco tip or challenge to share, please contact gemmarichards15@hotmail.com



Calling all Creatives – Getting ready for Christmas!

Do you like making things? Are you good with your hands – wood-work / painting? I really would love it if we could create a stable in the foyer of church, with plyboard wooden animals / shepherds/ cows / donkey to start going up along the railings. With an arrow pointing “This way to Christ-mas!” If you would like to help create the space, please let Natasha know, and join her at her house (the vicarage, 2 Glenhurst Rd, BD18 4DZ) for tea/coffee and cake on Saturday 9th November at 2.30pm.

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”.



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!

Christmas Tree Festival

A wonderland of magical and unique Christmas trees creatively decorated by local organisations
Enjoy festive refreshments and vote for your favourite Christmas tree!

Saturday 23rd November – 5–7.30pm
St Paul's Church, Shipley



FREE ENTRY – DONATIONS WELCOMED

Please also bring items for the Bradford North Foodbank

St Paul's Church, Kirkgate, Shipley, BD18 3EH
www.stpaulsshipley.org
stpaulsshipley@gmail.com / 07519 189983



Let's Help Chris raise funds for Macmillan Cancer Support



I'm fundraising for Macmillan Cancer Support to help them to continue their vital work. Many of us have been impacted by this terrible disease, so it's really important that Macmillan continue their work, providing help and support not only to those directly affected but helping their loved ones too.

On Sunday 20th October, I'll be running the Yorkshire marathon, starting from York University and heading through the beautiful city and past the magnificent cathedral before heading out into the countryside for a long loop. If anyone could please help me to reach my target it would be wonderful. Thank you

Please click on the link below to donate, alternatively put cash donations in an envelop and hand to Chris or the Office.

[Christopher Beard is fundraising for Macmillan Cancer Support \(justgiving.com\)](https://www.justgiving.com/Christopher-Beard-is-fundraising-for-Macmillan-Cancer-Support)



Welcome Space




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**Every Friday
11am-2pm
St Peter's Church,
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**Hot drinks, cake, a light lunch, a
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Open to all - just drop in!




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| Treasurer | Mike Moss | 07758 575653 | |
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This Church operates a Safeguarding Policy in line with national and diocesan guidelines.

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Child Line can be contacted on 0800 1111