



ST PETER'S



WORSHIP SERVICES

Sunday 21st June

9.30am All-In Service
11.15am Holy Communion
6.30pm BREATHE @ St Paul's

Sunday 28th June

9.30am All-In Service
11.15am Holy Communion
6.30pm Reset: Evening Worship

Sunday 5th July

9.30am All-In Service
11.15am Holy Communion
6.30pm Reset: Evening Worship

“Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground outside your Father’s care. And even the very hairs of your head are all numbered. So don’t be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows.” *Matthew 10:29-31*

So we have to trust. We have to trust that God is with us and that we do not need to be afraid. As Paul tells us that through our baptism we “Just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life”. Our lives are to be lived on earth, but we do so in the hope and knowledge of our eternal life with God, because death no longer has dominion over our lives, because Christ rose from the dead and therefore He will never die again. We trust that God is with us in this earthly life even when all the changes and challenges that living brings with it. And currently, our dear brothers and sisters at St Paul’s and Christchurch are entering journeys of grief and loss with the deaths of Mike Wragg and Meredith Woode at St Paul’s and only this last week the death of David O’Loan from Christchurch. These deaths leave our brothers and sisters reeling with sadness, and these on the back of losing Brian as their priest and Emma as their curate. Their pain is real and lasting, and as family we will walk with them and help as best we can. Together we need to consider the ways that we can offer them love and comfort. How can we bring God’s heart to them?

Other things that are changing... We will be seeking a new administrator to replace Jen who will be leaving St Peter’s and St Paul’s to work at Saltaire Primary School, a real loss to us all, but then again we have recruited Sophie Antonova as our Family and Youth Coordinator. We are meeting as three PCC’s on 2nd July to consider the person specification for the new Interim Associate Priest. Please do pray that we are of like-mind and that this is an opportunity when we start looking forward to the future. Looking at ways in which we can build each other up in new ways that will build God’s kingdom here on earth. The image is of a tornado warning... that is what it is feeling like, but we know tornadoes do not last forever! We just need to look after each other.

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‘Where we place
our hearts’



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THIS WEEK’S REFLECTION

This is such a reassuring passage. God knows everything about us. He knows His creation intimately, and although that can at times feel a bit crazy for our minds to comprehend, we have to remember we are not God! We are not the one who made the heavens and the seas. We are not the ones who holds the whole world in His hands.

The hope we have is the very fact that all that happens to us, and all that we do is in His knowledge and that He loves us, because He made us. He yearns for each of us to lean on Him. To trust Him, even when things feel so upside down! And my goodness doesn’t life seem hard at the moment, with so much immanent change and yet there does not seem to be a clear path as to how we get to where we should be or even quite where we are going!



Coming Up...

BREATHE - Sunday 21st June, 6.30pm,
St Paul's Church

Wrestling Church - Friday 26th June,
6.30pm. PRAYERS WANTED.

The People's Emergency Briefing -

Saturday 27th June, 7-9pm,
St Peter's Church.

Sign up [here](#) or via the QR code.

Please let Gemma or Jackie know if you are able to bake or assist with tea / coffee / welcoming.



Help Shape our Churches: Celebration Event & Bring & Share Lunch -

Sunday 28th June, 12.30-2pm,
St Peter's Church

Live@AvondaleClub - Sunday 28th June,
7.30-9.30pm, The Avondale Club. An evening of music with Sweet Sorrows. (Pay as you feel)

Iconic Places of Faith Tour - FREE!

Tuesday 30th June, 9am-4pm. Travel by bus to five places of faith: Guru Nanak Gurdwara, Shree Lakshmi Narayan Temple, Masjid Umar Girlington, St Paul's Church, Shipley and Bradford Synagogue. Pre-booking essential via: safer.communities@bradford.gov.uk.

Licensing of Natasha as Interim Priest-in-Charge of St Paul's and Christchurch
Saturday 4th July, 2-4pm

Connecting Faith Conversations
Final meeting - Thursday 9th July,
7.30pm at the Masjid in Wrose.

Churches Weekend Away - 10th-12th July

Daily Morning & Evening Prayer in Church

Please join Sophie and Theo any morning at 8am or evening at 5pm in the Hope Chapel for morning prayer and compline.

SAFEGUARDING

For safeguarding concerns please email our safeguarding officer:
Frances Vose -
safeguarding@stpetes.org.uk

PASTORAL SUPPORT

For prayer or support, please email:
pastoralsupport@stpetes.org.uk

Welcome Space

Due our Churches Weekend Away, there will be no Welcome Space on Friday 10th July. We will be back on **Friday 17th July!**

Worship at Rydal Hall

Come along to a worship planning session / rehearsal at St Paul's on **Thursday 2nd July, 7.30pm.**

Please let Viv know if you are interested but not able to attend.

Some Sad News and Some Happy News!

We are very sorry to let you know that Jen, our part-time administrator, will be leaving St Peter's for a new role at Saltaire Primary School. We will be recruiting for a new administrator soon - Please get in touch if you know anyone who might be interested.

The good news is that we have appointed Sophie Antonova as our new Youth and Family Coordinator. She will be starting on 6th July.

Natasha's Licensing at St Paul's and Christchurch

As we begin our journey in earnest, exploring what one parish of Shipley might look like, Natasha will be licensed as Interim Priest-in-Charge of both St Paul's and Christchurch. We hope that as many people as possible will come with Bishop Toby and Rev Natasha on the journey of travelling between the three churches on **Saturday 4th July**, starting at St Peter's at 2pm, before travelling to St Paul's and then finishing with a cream tea at Christchurch in Windhill.

If you can help with making refreshments, please contact Jo Hendry - hendryjtp@gmail.com / 07730259680.

Saturday Prayers

All are welcome to join us for half an hour of online prayers on Zoom as we pray for ourselves, the church, the community and the wider world -

Saturday 20th & 27th June, 10am

<https://uso4web.zoom.us/j/72862156359?pwd=s8n7V24GHZbTiBxhMVotkO6oky2oqo.1>

Passcode: hello

Prayers for Others

Please pray for those who are recently bereaved. Particularly for the family of Barbara Lehane - her funeral will be at St Peter's Church on 2nd July at 1.15pm. Please also pray for the family of Alicia Magyar whose funeral will be held at Shay Grange on 6th July at 1.30pm.

Please note that Natasha will be on holiday between 20th June - 2nd July

Eco Tips

Do you think the government should do more to inform the public about the impact to the UK from climate change?

You can sign a petition here:

<https://petition.parliament.uk/petitions/767687>

Christian Aid Week

Thank you to everyone who gave to support the work of Christian Aid.



St Peter's Church raised an impressive **£625.69**.

Help Required!

We have decided to give our hardworking team of children's work volunteers a little rest over the summer. **Could you step in for one week over the summer to enable them to enjoy a service for themselves?** The session will be prepared for you (unless you wish to do it yourself!), so there is very little commitment required. Please speak to Jessica if you would be interested in helping. Thank you!