

**#LIVE LENT CARE FOR GOD'S CREATION.** Daily bible readings for lent. How fitting title at this time of global concern! This individually guided booklet offers daily Bible readings, a short reflection and an action to help us live in greater harmony with God, neighbour and nature. There is a children's version too so all the family can take part. You can find out more at [www.churchofengland.org/lent](http://www.churchofengland.org/lent). If you would like a booklet please sign the list at the back of church and I'll put an order in. If there's 10 or more adults the cost is £1.75 per booklet. Child's copy is £1.50 or £1.25 if more than ten. Looks good! *Jane Wingrove*

**Pancakes & games,** Tues 25th Feb, 4pm, join us for family fun, St Michael's, Malton.

**Fairtrade Craft fair:** Sat 29th Feb 10am-4pm at the Friends Meeting House, Greengate, Malton. Free entry. All welcome.

**Next worship review meeting, Wed 4th Mar, 7-9pm,** in church. We had a really good discussion facilitated by Helen Lawrence who is kindly coming back again. We had a good turnout but there is room for more! We would love to hear your views about worship at St Peters.

**Wanted!** 2 new people to join PCC and 2 new Deanery reps who will also be on PCC. Sounds dreary? Makes you think – not me? Think again..... You could be part of shaping the future of St Peter's and the wider gathering of churches. The Deanery meetings are lively and fun as well as getting down to some important work. Our PCC will be part of the process looking for a new vicar. So we need you. Please think and pray about whether God is calling you to one of these roles. Leaflet at back.

## Prayer Corner

### Prayers for kindness

This week use a newspaper or online news to guide your prayers. Find a story each day which stands out. Think through the people and situations involved.

Pray about the things which strike you – words or phrases are enough.

Ask God to prompt you as you pray – let your heart be stirred by his compassion.

What is the kindness needed? How could your attitude change or be better informed?

Hold those people/situations in your heart during the day and offer them to God.



# St Peter's Pew Sheet

*Sunday 23rd Feb 2020, The Sunday next before Lent*

## Services this Week

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>23rd Feb</b>
8.00am	Holy Communion
10.00am	Family Communion
<b>Wed</b>	<b>26th Feb</b>
7.30pm	Ash Wednesday service
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>1st March</b>
8.00am	Holy Communion
10.00am	Holy Communion (no Sunday School)
4pm	Together@4

*We have gluten free wafers. Please go to the chapel-side rail if you would like this. If you prefer not to drink from the common cup, please take the bread only.*

## Collect

Holy God,  
you know the disorder of our sinful lives:  
set straight our crooked hearts,  
and bend our wills to love your goodness  
and your glory  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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Its great to see you at St Peter's today whether you're new or a regular. Do join us for refreshments after the service.

## Today's Services

### Readings

**2 Peter 1: 16- end (p. 1222)**

**Matt 17:1-9 (p. 984)**

Andy Hirst  
Rita Charvill

### Preacher

Revd Rachel Hirst

### Worship Leader

Mark Poole

### Intercessor

Keith Edghill

### Today's Warden

Neal Cullis



## A note from Rachel

### Kindness

There has been a lot in the press and social media this week about the impact of on-line bullying and hounding of celebrities by the press following the suicide of Caroline Flack. There are many other tragedies which don't make the headlines but also happen because of a lack of kindness and understanding. I often meet people who are vulnerable and struggle with their mental health. Life today seems pressured and stressful for many people and we don't always have the resources to cope. But calls to 'be kind' have made me think this week about how easily we judge each other. It's easy to complain, to think the worst of someone, to make assumptions about someone's motives when they act or speak. But often we don't know what is going on in people's lives. Even people we think we know well. The psalms sometimes refer to God's loving-kindness. His character is to show love and grace to people. He's always ready to forgive, to think the best of us. 1 Cor 13 sums up God's love – patient and kind, not self-seeking, keeps no record of wrongs, protects and lasts. It is an attitude we are called to demonstrate too. Perhaps each of us can think more about the impact our words and actions can have on other people. To hold our tongue and pause rather than speak out. To be kind and generous in our opinions of others. To be known as people who build others up rather than knock them down. As we approach Lent let's use it as a time to become kinder to each other (and ourselves!).

Southern Ryedale Deanery hosts

## COME+SEE

With Bishop Beverley Mason and her team  
12th-15th March 2020

'Come and See' is the Northern Bishops' Mission to the Diocese of York, led by the Archbishop of York

### WHAT'S ON AT ST PETER'S

#### Fri 13th Mar

Friday Night Club party  
YOOF Pizza party

#### Sat 14th Mar

Listening to God in the Dark  
Chatflix special!

#### Sun 15th Mar

10am: celebration service with Bishop Bev

### Programmes at back of church or visit

[www.southernryedaledeanery.org.uk](http://www.southernryedaledeanery.org.uk)

### WHO WILL YOU BRING?

## Listening to God in the Dark

Sat 14th Mar, 10am-12pm  
Church House

For Come & See, I will be sharing my journey with God through cancer. I am also having my head shaved to raise money for York Hospital - please come and join us for a chat and cake! All donations welcome via <https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/alisonhs-head-shave> or at the back of church. Thank you! Alison Hutchinson

## FRIDAY NIGHT CLUB PARTY

Fri, 13th Mar, from 5.15pm  
For Come & See, we are asking all the children to bring a friend. There is going to be games, food and lots of fun!  
Sue Smith and team

## Notices

### Coronavirus

The Diocese of York advises that where there are any concerns about corona virus, Holy Communion should be received as bread alone. The practice of dipping the bread in the cup of wine is not an effective way of preventing transmission of the virus; in addition it leads to the wine becoming unsafe for those who have an allergy to wheat and is discouraged. I would add that we always discourage 'dipping' of bread or wafers. If you have any concerns about drinking from the common cup then please receive just the bread. Thank you, *Rachel*

### Mothering Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March

Our 10am service will be a special service to which we want to invite as many people as possible to come along. Invitations will be available soon but be thinking about who you could invite.



Together  
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Kids. Craft. Chat.  
Food, faith. Come  
along to St Peter's!

**Messy Church:** we had 76 children and 40 adults at Messy Church this week! That's the most we've had attend. A big thank you to Rachel Watson and the team for planning and arranging it – and for Sue Smith performing the miracle of making the pizzas go round! This is a great outreach initiative. Please pray for the people who come along that we might be able to draw them into God's family here in Norton.

**Licensing of Alison Hutchinson,** 2pm today! 2pm All Saints Church, Terrington. Refreshments afterwards at the village hall.

**Women's Social, Thurs 27th Feb 7.30pm,** at Pea Green Pottery. If you'd like to come, sign up at the back of church or see Rachel *Watson*.

**Pop-up Café and painting,** Fri 28th Feb, 8.45am for café, 10am for art.

**Morning prayer** this Tues 9am, come and join us!

### Dates for the Diary

27th Feb: Women's social  
28th Feb: Pop-up cafe  
13th Mar: FNC/YOOF parties  
14th Mar: Listening to God  
14th Mar: Chatflix special  
15th Mar: Service with Bishop Bev  
22nd Mar: Mothering Sunday  
31st Mar: APCM

### Care Homes Services

Beechwood: Wed 26th Feb, 2.30pm  
Spring Cottage: Wed 11th Mar, 2pm  
Rivermead, 18th Mar, 11am  
Deansfield Court, 19th Mar, 6.30pm

*Items for next pew sheet by Wed to  
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