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Pastoral care

Pastoral care in the church is all about **loving and supporting** people in their spiritual and emotional journeys. It's like having a caring friend or mentor who listens, comforts, and guides you through the ups and downs of life. Whether you're celebrating a joyous occasion or facing a difficult challenge, pastoral care is there to provide a **listening ear, offer prayers, and lend a helping hand**. It's about creating a warm and welcoming space where people feel safe to share their struggles, find encouragement, and grow spiritually. Pastoral care involves activities like visiting those who are sick or home-bound, and even organising practical support like driving to hospital appointments.



Ultimately, it's a way for the church to **embody the love of God** by walking alongside individuals, helping them

navigate life's twists and turns, and creating a community where everyone feels valued, supported, and cared for.

Pastoral care is incredibly important within the church because it recognises the intrinsic value and worth of every individual and seeks to meet their spiritual and emotional needs. It acknowledges that **life can be challenging**, and people often

face difficult circumstances that require guidance and support. Pastoral care offers a compassionate and loving response to these challenges, reminding individuals that they are **not alone** in their struggles. It provides a safe space where people can share their joys, sorrows, doubts, and fears confidentially, knowing they will be ... *see overleaf*



...cont. from p.1 ...met with understanding and empathy. Through pastoral care, individuals can find healing, encouragement, and a deeper connection with God and their faith community. It strengthens relationships, fosters **a sense of belonging**, and ultimately helps individuals grow in their spiritual journey. By extending care and love to one another, the church demonstrates the **transformative power of God's love** and the impact of a supportive community.

The pastoral care team at St Peter's is headed up by me, Judy Hutton, so it is only right that you should know who I am and why I think I am suited for this role. I have been volunteering in one capacity or another most of my adult life. I care about people, particularly those who are in need, lonely, sad or isolated and I am willing and able to use my administrative skills to head up a team which has been operating behind the scenes for a long time. I believe that **kindness and support** for other people is what we should be striving for in our daily lives.



I'll wear a badge with my name on when I'm at church, to help you recognise me if you want to make contact. My number is 07989 306526. Please feel to ring me for a confidential chat. I'm not promising to fix everyone's woes, but I will do my best to **support you** in any way I can.

Judy #

Sunday 29th June is ST. PETER'S DAY!!

**Our Patron Saint's Day – come and celebrate Peter the Rock!
(or join us via livestream)**

Thankyou to Christine S for

The Seamstress's Prayer

by Jay Hanley

As the pieces come together, help us to sew seams that are straight, so that nothing tears apart or unravels; and when it does, show us where and how to patch with just the right touch.



Could YOU be a Helping Hand? St. Peter's urgently needs more people to join the **sidesteams** who welcome people into church, give them the weekly sheet, invite them to communion and generally make sure the service runs smoothly and safely. **PLEASE, CAN YOU HELP?** The more people we have, the less often you are on duty! Please have a word with Margaret W or Tom S or Penny C to find out more – **THANK YOU!**



8th June : Pentecost (a.k.a. Whitsun)

The artist Jen Norton writes ...

The experience of the power of the Holy Spirit is a product of **our friendship with Jesus**. Love between the Father and Son... that entity of energy that exists in every **strong relationship** that has a life of its own. It's stories shared, food passed and inside jokes; it's walks taken, tears shed and trust established. The disciples had that with Jesus. He called them "friends."

If we want to know the Spirit, we must also call him "friend." Jesus knows our hearts; he's asking each of us to come **closer to him** and share in the gifts of the Spirit. He wants to **set our hearts on fire!**



"Holy Spirit Prayer by St. Augustine"

artist : Jen Norton (licenced use)

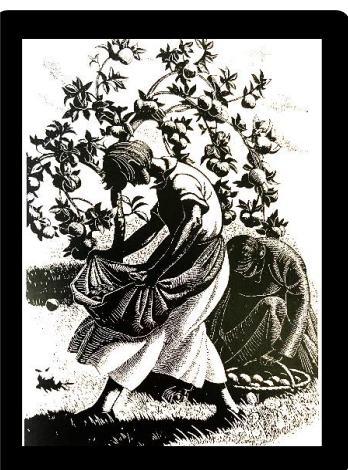
www.jennortonartstudio.com/

Your starter for 10...

Q: What pre-conditions must you fulfil to belong to St. Peter's?

A: NONE!! You are welcome just as you are, and wherever you are on your journey of faith and of life. Whether you realise it or not, you already share with everyone here the only thing that really matters – being loved by God!

Thank you for your generosity! The ACT Christian Aid Coffee Morning at Mount Hermon, and envelope giving, has raised **£1048.2** (plus **£113.50** in Gift Aid). Well done, all who helped – and cakes were *delicious!*



The Church Orchard In the 1980's, the then Rector Dennis Shaw and the late Derek Law who lived in Watersmeet House decided to create an orchard of traditional fruit varieties at the edge of Church Field inspired by the orchard of 18th Century cleric Gilbert White, and to share the produce with all comers. More help with upkeep of the orchard would be welcomed with open arms – to volunteer please get in touch at churchorchard@btinternet.com, text to 07957 361193 or phone

the church office on 830306. The Orchard is **open to visitors** on special occasions – the next is Open Gardens weekend, **21st-22nd June** – come and take a look!

(NB DON'T cross the wooden bridge! It is currently NOT SAFE)

Tracey Blackwell gave us an excellent slide-filled talk about the journey of her life which changed after she went on a weekend course on **Dry Stone Walling**. She explained the structure of dry stone walls, and where to place large and small stones, and lengthwise and cross joint structures. Tracey has travelled to many countries to use her skills in wall structures, ranging from arches to stupa domes. The vote of thanks was given by Christine Bean.

NB NO MEETING in June

Join us at 3pm on
**Tues 1st July for
AFTERNOON TEA**
(please book & pay
by 15th June)



Members £15
Non-members
£20

Peace point

There are no winners in war, but the
Second World War population won
everyone the peace.

Peace can readily be taken for granted,
but it can be easily broken and needs
keeping safe from danger.

*O God,
from whom to be turned
is to fall,
to whom to be turned
is to rise, and
in whom to stand
is to abide forever;
grant us in all our duties
your help,
in all our perplexities
your guidance,
in all our dangers
your protection,
and in all our sorrows
your peace,
through Jesus Christ our Lord
Amen*

A prayer of Saint Augustine



Rector: Revd Mark Cannon
*Mark is away on sabbatical for May/June/July
so for any concerns arising during this time
please contact the Parish Office and Philippa
will put you in touch with the right person to
help you.*

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For up-to-date details of all services and activities, please look at our website, follow us on  Facebook or pick up a "What's On" leaflet.

Everyone is welcome and you can also join with St. Peter's online; we livestream many of our services to our  Facebook page, so take a look.

You can also follow  **C.a.f.e** – *children and family events at St. Peter's Addingham*

Watch all **St. Peter's monthly Podcasts** via the church website – click **Online**, scroll down to **Podcasts**, then click **Watch on Vimeo**

From the Registers

Funeral

19th May Alandale Stockwell

21st May David Holroyd

FOSPA TEAS are up and running again! and **YOUR** help is needed to keep them on track! Please sign up in the hall to bake, serve, wash up, clear away – it needs team effort, but if everyone commits to do just a bit then it works!

Diversity is of God; division is not