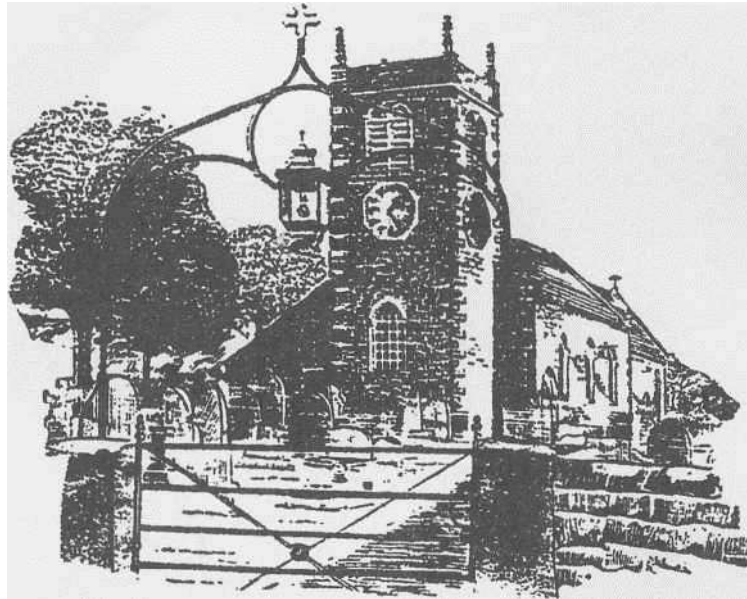


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SUNDAY

8.00 am Holy Communion (said)
10.00 am Parish Communion

These are currently our normal, scheduled, services but they are subject to our monitoring and any changes in Coronavirus restrictions and guidance. Please check weekly notice sheets and the St Peter's website.

If you wish to attend any service you must contact Ian Batty via email Ian.Batty@hotmail.com or call him on 01943 830039, ideally, by 4pm on the preceding Friday.

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Please call 01943 831382

Letter from the Rector

March 2022

Don't Stay Cold

Well, I am fed up of being cold, and I'm especially fed up of being cold inside. This is because the Rectory gas meter spins round and round like a top, and the estimated bills are very painful to this Son of Yorkshire. I'm cold when I get home, and cold in the mornings. Even in bed, it is cold; so much so, that I have increased my nightwear substantially. I put fewer clothes on when I get up and go off to work.

In fact, I am relieved to go to Church, there's a first, because it is warmer in there than the Rectory. At work in my office, it's like being in a sauna.

So, I have the three options; stay cold, spend more money or take advantage of others. And this is very like the options facing me at the beginning of Lent as I review my journey with Christ

I can take this opportunity to look at my Christian life and subject it to a review. I've just had one of these at work, and it was a bit like an interview with the Almighty; all my sins were laid bare, and promises of improvement extracted.

I hope that none of us thinks more of the same is a good idea; we can't stay cold forever.. Change has to be part of our Christian life.

I could exert myself and spend more, option two. I could use Lent as a spur to harder work, and more effort, if this goes the same way as my diet with no cake after Ash Wednesday, it might work for a bit, but I know I'll in the end revert to option one and no change will occur.

There is option three, in other words, get someone else to supply my heat for me. And, astonishingly, this is the Christian answer. Jesus has already done the hard work, and will also help us to follow Him. The gift is made, the foundations laid for us, and His gift costs us nothing. It is up to us how we react to the Gift, but in Lent, and on Good Friday, all the hard work has been done for you already. There's no excuse for staying cold.

Rev. Mark Cannon

Anne's Musings

Soups

I am planning to make soup today, but which sort?

Shall it be fridge soup when I collect all the left-overs from the vegetable compartment, throw in some pearl barley mix and see what emerges, or will it be green soup, celery, courgette and green lentils? I could make red soup with carrot, sweet potato, butternut squash and red lentils with cumin and coriander spices.

Really my 'red' soup is actually orange, but as it has no real oranges in it that would be confusing. Interestingly the word orange as a colour was quite late in arriving in our vocabulary which is why we have red squirrels, red foxes and red heads all of which are closer to orange in colour.

At the end, which ever soup it is, it is the blend of flavours which give it its particular taste. That's why cabbage soup doesn't sound too appealing, even though it does have more in than just cabbage. And nettle soup sounds scary and needs lots of extras to lift it.

Imagine our community as a blended soup. The more flavours, the more interesting the result. If we were all alike where would the added taste come from? We would know just how everyone thought and would agree on everything. Debate and discussion would be pointless as no one would have anything interesting to add.

We grow as a Church and a community by looking at new ideas and welcoming new ways of doing things. As we were all created differently and all have different life experiences, so we can grow in diversity and knowledge by sharing one another's thoughts and ideas.

One ingredient all soup needs however in order to bring out the flavour is salt.

Salt has always been important in food preparation, in fact the Bible asks us, what use is salt if it has lost its flavour?

As we mix together, as a community, we need to remember to add the salt which is the word of God and the teachings of Jesus which grow our faith and teach us how to blend together to become the award winning soup of Christ's living Church.

Maybe you are inspired by my soup mixes, if so happy tasting, but don't forget the salt!

Anne Hodgson

Editor's note: If readers have their favourite soup recipes, either their own inventions or a published one, please send them to us and then we can publish a selection in Source.

Forty Days of Lent: a Preview of this Month's Podcast 'Forty Days of Lent'

For me, Lent is an important time for giving things up and self-denial. But it isn't just a negative matter; the forty days are also positive. After forty years wandering in the wilderness, the Israelites came through to the Promised Land. Lent is very much preparation through the forty days and coming through it again with some positives, something stronger, better and greater at Easter.

I hope for me this Lent, by not indulging myself and not being greedy and pig-like as I usually am, I will create some spare time for other things, for better things. I hope I will read my Bible more, I hope I'll pray a bit more. Lent is about that, it's about getting rid of some rubbish and distractions and making space for what's really important and making Lent a positive experience.

For these 40 days and nights, will you walk the path of sacrifice?

Visit our website, www.stpetersaddingham.org.uk, and watch the podcast: 'Forty Days of Lent'

Rev. Mark Cannon

Keeping up with the Wulfherans

2022 Annual General Meeting

The AGM took place on 1st February and it was a pleasure to be back in operation after a two year absence

Anne
The Rector chaired the meeting and said Grace

Apologies

Apologies were received from Pat Nayler, Eleanor Houston, Margaret Spencer, Pam Hall, Pat Walker Jenny Preston and Gordon Atkinson.

Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting in February 2020 were signed as correct as there were no matters arising.

Treasurers Report

Joy Harper stated that the finances were in a sound condition. £50 was spent on flowers for Eileen Shaw's funeral. Eileen was a founder member of Wulfherans.

Presidents Report

Wendy gave an account of the popularity of Wulfherans. Events have included craft stalls, suppers, treasure hunts and meals. Visits have been made to Chatsworth, The Yorkshire Post, Menwith Hill and various gardens.

Generally there has been unsophisticated fun and food all in a happy environment.

The Rector stated that he hoped to join in some of the games and attend the meetings

Election of Officers

The President Wendy Croft, the Secretary Peter Mirfin and the Treasurer Joy Harper were all proposed and seconded and unanimously re-elected.

The Committee

Liz Powell, Christine Bean, Andrea Scargill and Pat Mirfin were all proposed and seconded and unanimously re-elected. Richard Thackrah was re-elected as publicity officer.

Wulpherans meet on the first Tuesday in the month at 7.30pm in the Church Hall and new members are always welcome. The annual subscription is £5. During the current year there will be talks about Monks, Mercy Ships and Refugees. There will be a pancake supper, Tenebrae service, afternoon tea, a barbecue, a garden visit, a pie and pea supper and quiz, a party night and a New Year dinner in January 2023.

Anybody who wishes to have a lift to the meetings please contact a member of the Committee

Ian Batty thanked all who had attended the meeting and especially praised the ladies who had prepared a very pleasant and tasty supper.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday 1st March when Catherine Snape will be talking about "The Monks of Bolton Abbey". The talk will be followed by a Pancake Supper!

Richard Thackrah

The Naming of Storms

As we have endured storms Dudley, Eunice and Franklin in recent weeks we thought it would be interesting to know more about the naming of storms. When are new storm names announced?

Storms have only been designated with names since 2015. A new list of names is issued each September and will then apply till late August the following year. This coincides with the start of autumn when the likelihood of low pressure systems and the potential for named storms increase.

The naming of storms using a single authoritative system aids the communication of approaching severe weather through the media and government agencies. In this way the public will be better placed to keep themselves, their property and businesses safe.

Anyone can submit a proposal for a storm's name as The Met Office encourages submissions via an online form on their website or by emailing nameourstorms@metoffice.gov.uk. To ensure we are in line with the US National Hurricane Centre naming conventions, storms are not given names which begin with the letters Q, U, X, Y and Z.

To avoid any confusion over naming, if a storm is the remnants of a tropical storm or hurricane that has moved across the Atlantic, the well-established method of referring to it as, e.g. 'Ex-hurricane X' will continue using names that have been officially designated by the National Weather Service in the US.

The next storm of the season will have the rather old fashioned, gentle sounding and non-threatening name of Gladys!.

Peter Cooke

Fair Trade Fortnight

This year Fair Trade Fortnight is from Monday 21st February to Sunday 6th March, so by the time you are reading this we will be half-way through, but don't let that stop you from helping this supply chain of fairly-traded, organic, help-for-the-growers products.

Just look out for the logo in many shops and perhaps make a little bit more effort to swap a usual purchase for a Fair Trade brand then you will be doing your bit by helping producers often in the poorest countries where they really do need our custom. Everything from biscuits to coffee, via crosswords (yes, really), chocolates, lentils, pasta, pullovers, paper and worldwide grown wine is covered by the Fair Trade branding.



By the way, if you need to cheer yourself up, log in to their excellent website <https://www.fairtrade.org.uk/> for happy photographs, lists of products and even an explanation of why it is sometimes spelled as two words, sometimes as one and sometimes spelled as 'Traidcraft' which is something I have puzzled over for years!

Happy rest-of-fortnight . . .
Pat Laycock

Nature Notes for February

Hello, everyone, just to quickly introduce myself, I am Margaret Spencer's daughter. As many of you will know, my Mum has just lost her husband, Ray, and so, for one month only, here are the alternative nature notes.

I live opposite a big green field, which I feel a bit silly in saying that, as some of you will be farmers with acres of land. My field normally has cows on it, often with their calves. This year, the cows have stayed outside until the last few weeks. It is always interesting to watch them go off in a line as they go in for their food at teatime.

When they come into the field after the winter the cows, do a bit of a rodeo, jumping around and kicking their legs up in the air. It is a joy to see. Calving happens on a regular basis in the field, and one time a cow had twins. It is amazing to see them up on their feet and drinking milk so quickly after birth.

A few years ago, a cow gave birth late one summer evening. I contacted the farmer to let him know, and he said he would come and see them in the morning. The next morning, the farmer came, but couldn't find the calf as it was hidden in the long summer grass. From my vantage point, I was able to direct the farmer, and he picked the calf up, and put it on a trailer behind the tractor. Off he went up the field: but the mother cow just stayed in the field. So, he came back, encouraged the cow to follow him. You could hear the cow going 'that is not my calf' but after a few days in a shed together, she did realise it was her calf.

I am fortunate enough to see other wildlife: foxes and fox cubs, one solitary rabbit, and lots of birds. The redwings and fieldfares have paid a flying visit this year, and the local flock of crows are always bouncing up and down in the air. When I first had my dog, she chased one of the crows, and was soon put in her place by being dive bombed by another crow.

Today's joy was watching a line of male blackbirds fighting over the best nesting site in the hedge!

Thankfully, spring is just around the corner.

Sally Freer

Justice in the Bible

There are many references in the Bible to Justice: to keep the way of the Lord to do justice, executing the justice of the Lord, judgement and justice taking hold, establishing His Throne with justice, keeping judgement and doing justice and the Lord is the habitation of justice.

One of Israel's original political aims was God's liberating justice for the oppressed. The Prophets stood for God's rule over His people and His concern for justice. Psalm 72 states "the king may execute justice and reign prosperously". The Psalmists demand justice, justice for the oppressed and justice against the oppressor.

The Psalmists prayer for justice serves in principle to protect their concern for justice from degenerating into vindictiveness. God's justice can be the first step towards love and forgiveness of enemies.

In Samuel and Judges we read that under the monarchy civil judges were appointed and in Deuteronomy we read that the priests were greatly involved in dispensing justice. As Proverbs reminds us, partiality in judging is not good. Even if it appears the corrupt get away with it, the writer of Proverbs insists that in the short term they will lose their good name which should not be underestimated and in the long term God will see justice done.

God is always standing alongside those who are innocent, but not in a good position to defend themselves. We are mindful in any prayers about justice to pray that the innocent will walk free from prison, that minorities will overcome discrimination and that everyone who works in the justice system will show honesty and integrity. In many countries afflicted by conflict today, people of different Christian traditions are working for reconciliation and justice. God's justice is different from the world's justice. His justice is achieved without the lifting up of a voice but in the quiet unnoticed actions of individuals. God requires justice for His whole creation.

Life's journey is a road often set with obstacles, dips, potholes and even chasms. However Jesus will respond to the injustice in our situation and mercifully meets us at our point of need. Being in a relationship of love with God and each other is a pursuit of justice.

We often want to justify ourselves or to hide from the truth but God's standards are higher. Far from colluding with exploiters as Kings reminds us, we can have our own eyes and ears open to the injustice we can have our own eyes and ears open to the injustice that goes on around us.

As Paul's letter to the Galatians shows he was eager to remember the poor. Revelations shows that working for justice involves struggling towards the restoration of relationships between God and humanity and within human society. Ultimately justice is the fruit of compassion and through Gods grace we become people who are clothed with compassion. Paul in his letter to the Romans hinted that justice doesn't just happen. The world and its structures are often opposed to justice. It is obtained by patience, perseverance and a sense of hope. Isaiah before him goes on to say that God's justice contains fiery love and merciful judgment.

God's justice means whatever we have done, whatever just deserts we deserve he wants to give us his justice. Jesus has given us freedom from slavery and from loyalty to sin. At the time of the Holocaust, people were in many ways indifferent, which is the opposite of love, faith and life. God desires that we act with justice and righteousness. Jesus reminds us not to leave on their own those, whose lives are oppressed by injustice, but to come alongside and weep.

We are reminded of justice every day through saying the Lord's Prayer. This calls on us to forgive those who have hurt or failed us, to be reconciled as we worship God together in the kingdom that Jesus brings.

In 2010, The British and Foreign Bible Society produced a Freedom Bible with an emphasis on freedom, love, liberation and justice which is marvellous inspiration for anyone wishing to study these wonderful themes in greater depth.

Richard Thackrah

What's on in March

There will still be no chalice and communion will be taken to the pews, there will be no coffee in the hall afterwards. If the weather is fine, do consider bringing a flask of coffee and enjoying some social time outside after the service.

We will continue to monitor infection rates and make more changes as and when. In the interim, do share your thoughts about the changes you would like to happen next with either Mark or the wardens. Most services will be live steamed on Facebook and made available afterwards via a vimeo link on the website.



Tuesday 1st	Shrove Tuesday 19.30	Wulfherans; Catherine Snape's talk about the monks of Bolton Abbey and pancake supper.
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Wednesday 2nd	Ash Wednesday 19.30	Imposition of Ashes
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Friday 4th	14.00	ACT Service for World Day of Prayer at the Methodist Chapel
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Sunday 6th	Lent 1 08.00 10.00 16.00	Holy Communion Parish Communion Evensong
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Wednesday 9th	19.00	Christian Night School How to Pray/In the Footsteps of Jesus
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Sunday 13th	Lent 2 08.00 10.00	Holy Communion Parish Communion
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Wednesday 16th	19.00	Christian Night School How to Pray/In the Footsteps of Jesus
Thursday 17th	11.00	Teddies and Toddlers
Sunday 20th	Lent 3	
	08.00	Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)
	10.00	Sunday at St Peter's
Wednesday 23rd	19.00	Christian Night School How to Pray/In the Footsteps of Jesus
Sunday 27th	Mothering Sunday	
	08.00	Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)
	10.00	Family Service with activities for children and the distribution of flowers
Wednesday 30th	19.00	Christian Night School How to Pray/In the Footsteps of Jesus

From the Registers

Baptism

February 3rd Maxwell Samuel Boothman

Funerals

February 5th Anne Davenport
February 25th Raymond Spencer

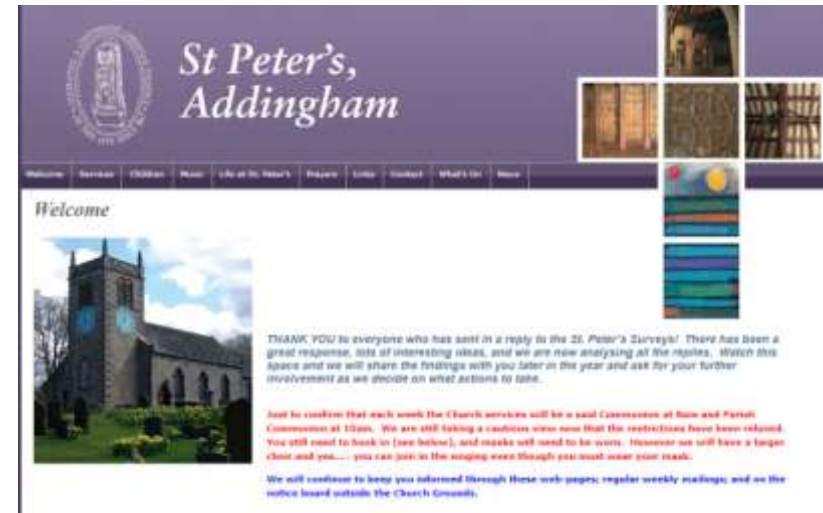
Weekly Email

A weekly email is being produced and sent on Friday evenings with the latest news and details of planned services. To be added to the distribution list for the email please email jillc.stpeters@gmail.com

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The St Peter's website is being updated daily by Andrew Robinson who is adding interesting and relevant content including; the latest E-news sheets, and links to interesting articles, our recorded services, podcasts and the live streaming of services.

Please view the website www.stpetersaddingham.org.uk



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Contributions to Source

We hope you have enjoyed and been informed by the articles in this edition of Source. The more articles and pieces we have on a wide range of subjects the more interesting the magazine will be to read.

All contributions, on whatever subject, are always welcome and appreciated. Please email copy to PeterSource@Hotmail.co.uk or hand to Peter or Jill Cooke.

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