

# ST PETER & ST JOHN WEEKLY NOTICES

The Church in the Heart of the Community of Kirkley  
Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> July - Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> July 2025



WELCOME!

Come, celebrate the freedom found in Jesus.

We're an Inclusive Church, open and welcome to all.

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# WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK?

## **Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> July: 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity**

10:30am Service of the Word

## **Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July:**

9:30am – 1:00pm Pantry deliveries – please visit the team

## **Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July: Mary Magdelene**

Kirkley Pantry open 10:00 – 12:30 and 5:00 – 6:00pm

*Visitors to the Pantry by invitation only, please*

7:00pm Standing Committee Meeting (Church Hall)

## **Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July: Bridget, abbess, 1373**

9:30am Morning Worship

7:30pm Compline in Church

## **Friday 25<sup>th</sup> July: James the Apostle**

10:00am Choir Practice

## **Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> July: 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity**

10:30am Parish Eucharist (Holy Communion)

**Please join us for refreshments after our  
Sunday services**

## NOTICES

**Help is needed** to remove the last few bits from the Rectory. Several people will be required as one if the items is the harpsichord, and also a large bookcase. Please speak to the Churchwardens or Alice if you are able to help.

On Wednesday evening the PCC met with the Bishop Ian and Archdeacon Steven to discuss the future of ministry here in Kirkley. We can inform you that the vacancy is likely to be a long one as every possible option for Kirkley needs to be looked at... closure is one of those options. Rest assured that we will be keeping you updated with what is happening. Whilst these discussions are ongoing it is 'business as usual.' We have to keep going, to keep working together and put as much energy as we have into making this church flourish, and to show the diocese that we can become sustainable for the future.

## **The Ministry of Music: A Sacred Instrument of Worship**

In the life of the Church, we find many paths to encounter God. Some seek Him in silent prayer, others in quiet meditation. And for many, music is the bridge between the heart and the divine.

The ministry of music is not simply about notes and harmonies—it is a form of worship, a tool of reflection, and often, a prayer in itself. Through song, we give voice to joy and sorrow, praise and petition. Whether we lift our voices in a spirited hymn or sit quietly while sacred melodies wash over us, music has a unique power to open our hearts to God's presence.

Scripture reminds us, *“Sing to the Lord a new song, for He has done marvellous things”* (Psalm 98:1). In our church community, music continues to be a vital expression of faith and a means of connection—not only with God but with one another.

We are grateful for those who serve in the music ministry—choir members, instrumentalists, worship leaders, and sound technicians—who give their time and talents to enrich our worship. Their offerings help create sacred spaces where all are invited to listen, reflect, and rejoice.

May we each find our own way to worship, whether in stillness or in song, knowing that all forms of heartfelt praise are heard by God.

Alice

# PRAYER

## **Diocesan Vision Prayer**

This prayer was written by Revd Susanna Gunner as part of the resources to be used with the Diocesan Vision.

As we move into a somewhat unknown future, and also look at what we wish to achieve, the words just seem to align with everything that we have to do!

**Christ of transformation,  
sow deep into the soil  
of our hearts and parishes,  
your seeds of prayerful listening,  
conversation and discernment:  
then nurture their growth, we pray,  
with the gentle rains of your Spirit  
that they may flower and fruit  
into new ways of revealing  
the abundant life you offer  
and long for us to share.  
Amen.**

# CALENDAR

We have a range of events for you to enjoy in the year ahead

## **Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September**

Sing-a-long School Hall Classics from back in the day,  
7pm in Church

## **Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> September**

Beetle Drive, 7pm, £7.50 per person

## **Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> October**

Table Top & Jumble Sale, 11am to 2pm

## **Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> November**

Pie and Mash at 1pm

## **Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> December**

Coffee Morning from 10.30am to 1.30pm with a wreath  
making demonstration at 11am

## **Date tbc December**

Christmas Extravaganza from carolling to comedy

# SCHOOL TIME SING - ALONG

Saturday  
13TH SEPTEMBER  
7PM

- SING ALONG TO HITS LIKE
- GIVE ME OIL IN MY LAMP
  - LORD OF THE DANCE
  - SHINE, JESUS, SHINE

ST PETER AND ST JOHN'S  
CHURCH  
RECTORY ROAD, KIRKLEY  
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## Opening Hymn

Light of the world, You stepped down into darkness,  
opened my eyes, let me see  
beauty that made this heart adore You,  
hope of a life spent with You.

*So here I am to worship,  
here I am to bow down,  
here I am to say that You're my God:  
You're altogether lovely,  
altogether worthy,  
altogether wonderful to me.*

King of all days, O so highly exalted,  
glorious in heaven above,  
humbly You came to the earth You created,  
all for love's sake became poor.

*So here I am to worship . . .*

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