

	THIS WEEK	NEXT WEEK
	<b>Easter 4</b> 8th May	<b>Easter 5</b> 15th May
9.45am	Holy Communion at St Stephen's	Wake Up & Worship at St Stephen's
11.00am Celebrant Readings Reader Prayers	Holy Communion Fr Paul Acts 9:36-end John 10:22-30 Roxy Kern Alan Roadley	Holy Communion Fr Paul Acts 11:1-18 John 13:31-35 Stephen Dixon Joan Ainsworth
6.00pm		Deanery Choir Evensong
Wednesday	10.30am Midweek Communion	2.00pm Midweek Communion at St Stephen's 7.30pm 900th Anniversary Talk
Thursday	10.00am Thursday Chat	10.00am Thursday Chat 11.00am Lunch Club

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### VISITOR INFORMATION

We are here to welcome everyone and we want to help those who have dementia to feel safe and help them to worship with us.

**Hearing loop:** If you are wearing a hearing aid, turn the control to T.

If you wish to make a donation to St Peter's and you are a taxpayer, please remember that donations can be "gift aided" by completing one of the envelopes available by the door.

**Should the fire alarm sound whenever you are in church this will be for real. You should immediately leave church by either the main door, the fire door on the north side or through the choir vestry and await further instructions by the war memorial. Church members who are responsible for the event should supervise the evacuation.**



**Please hold in your prayers:** Neil Atkin, Joyce Salmon, Susie Johnson, Barbara Marshall, Ann, Annabel Dance, Jane Chamberlain, Alice Binns, Edna Dawson, Julie Wilson, Joshua Chapman, Pat Brereton, Joanne Creighton. **We pray for the recently departed:** Enid Harrison. **We pray this week for those in the memorial book:** Herbert Trotter, Charlotte Maud Hargreaves, Ethel Warnock, Gladys Smith, Florence Altham, John Shallcross Goulding, Mary Eleanor Genevieve Goulding, Phoebe Elizabeth Mellors, Isabel Smith, Mary Hannah Newbold. **Prayer Requests:** If you have any prayer requests please contact Alan and have your request added to the daily prayers or the WhatsApp group. The WhatsApp group is available to anyone with a smartphone.



## St Peter's Church Burnley Easter 4 8th May 2022



**Welcome to our worship this Sunday. If you are visiting us for the first time, we hope you experience a warm and friendly welcome. If you need help please speak to one of the sidespeople by the door or the Vicar on duty. Please stay for a cuppa after the service.**

**900th Raffle:** Tickets are on sale for the 900th Anniversary raffle. £100 first prize, Burnley FC vouchers, and lots of other prizes. Please buy tickets and take books to sell to family and friends. Books are available from Stephen Dixon.

**Christian Aid Breakfast:** There will be a continental breakfast in support of Christian Aid at 10.00am on Sunday 15th May before the morning service. If you would like to come, please sign the sheet at the back of church so we have an idea of numbers.

**The Book of St Peter:** Annette will be at the back of Church today after the Service with pens and paints so you can copy/illustrate your thoughts and reminiscences of the Church/Christianity into the Book of St Peter. This Book will be a keepsake, snapshot of the Town and Church in its 900th Anniversary.

**Cathedral Bus:** If you would like a seat on the coach to Blackburn Cathedral for our 900th service with the Archbishop of York on 29th May, please sign up on the sheet at the back of church. There are 72 seats available. There will be a United Service at St Stephen's that morning for those who do not wish to go.

**Whalley Abbey Evening Service:** Sunday 22nd May at 6.00pm, with tea/coffee and cakes at 5.00pm. There is a pilgrimage from St Peter's for those who would like to walk. Please see Alan for further details and transport arrangements.

**Readings and prayers  
for this week**

**Collect**

Risen Christ, faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep: teach us to hear your voice and to follow your command, that all your people may be gathered into one flock, to the glory of God the Father. **Amen**

**Reading: Acts 9:36-end**

**36** Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. **37** At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. **38** Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, 'Please come to us without delay.' **39** So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. **40** Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, 'Tabitha, get up.' Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. **41** He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. **42** This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. **43** Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

### **Gospel: John 10:22-30**

**22** At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, **23** and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. **24** So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, 'How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.' **25** Jesus answered, 'I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; **26** but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. **27** My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. **28** I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. **29** What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. **30** The Father and I are one.'

### **Post Communion**

Merciful Father, you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd, and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again: keep us always under his protection, and give us grace to follow in his steps; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

### **A Prayer for the Vacancy**

Father God, as we continue to discern your will for our United Benefice, we pray that, when the time is right, you will send us a priest who will be a servant, shepherd leader, committed to nurturing our gifts of discipleship, encouraging our growth in faith and partnering us in transforming the communities we are called to serve.

We ask this in fellowship with our patrons, St Peter and St Stephen, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

### **Today's Hymns**

**692** We are marching  
**432** Loving Shepherd of thy  
sheep  
**565** Rejoice the Lord is King