



PARISH OF ST PETER'S, HALLIWELL

# NEWSLETTER



Sunday 16th June 2024

## HEADLINES

- Pais – celebrating a wonderful year!
- Ignite – it's growing!
- Repair Café – can they fix it? Yes they can!
- Café of the Green – magnificent total again
- Home for Good – meets soon
- Barrow Bridge Anniversary – let's celebrate!
- Prayer for Revival – from Rev Alan

Read on to find out more...

Sun 16 Jun

*It's Lighthouse week!*

ST PETER'S CHURCH



8.30am	Morning Service
***10.30am	Adult Communion service with Twinklers
***6.30pm	Parish-wide service

### SMITHILLS FELLOWSHIP

10.00am	Morning service with Lighthouse
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### BARROW BRIDGE MISSION

10.30am	Morning service with Lighthouse
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### ST ANDREW'S HOPE CENTRE

10.30am	Café Church
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\*\*Livestreamed: search YouTube for 'stpetershalliwell'

## Rev Alan writes...

### A brilliant year for our Pais team!



This week I want to highlight the wonderful work of our Pais team as they approach the end of their time with us, at the beginning of July. Gleise from Brazil and Michelle from Germany will soon be returning home. Gabriel from

Brazil will stay in the UK working with Pais.

St Peter's Smithills Dean CE Primary School has benefitted from lessons and lunchtime sessions. The team have visited the school every Thursday and supported the children in the prayer garden, they have led numerous lessons, and provided many opportunities to build relationships.

The team have been leading the Smithills Fellowship Lighthouse group twice a month. They have delivered sessions using the parish-wide Lighthouse resources and seen the children make leaps forward in their faith and bible knowledge.

Each Tuesday evening the team join forces with our Tread leaders for the usual fun and games, discussion time and teaching, which has included a Youth Alpha course. Gleise and Michelle, together with Lucy Hargraves, started a new girl's discipleship group.

Each Monday and Tuesday the team visit Canon Slade CE High School to deliver lunch clubs and support the chaplaincy team.

The Pais team have been a real blessing to many of us, each week they join our parish staff team to meet, plan and pray together. We thank God for them and pray as they prepare for the next stage in their lives.



# Announcements

## Upcoming Funerals

These are taking place in St Peter's Church:  
**Sandra Perris** on Mon 17 June at 11am  
**Ruby Hindley** on Tues 18 June at 10.30am  
**Sarah 'Sally' Kelly** on Mon 24 June at 1.15pm  
Please keep all the family and friends of the above in your prayers at this difficult time.

## What's Gone On

### Ignite

Tue 6pm-7.15pm,  
Parish Centre

Ignite had a great second session this week learning about God's love for each one of us. We had a fun obstacle course relay, a drama and a craft too! We would love for more children to come and join us so keep inviting any KS2 children you know! **No need to book, just turn up.**



### Mastersingers 'A Summer Song'



We enjoyed a wonderful musical performance by The Mastersingers in St. Peter's Church last Saturday evening and there truly was something for everyone. The choir from St Peter's Smithills Dean Primary School were the special guests and they were amazing – very well done, choir! Huge thanks to everyone who helped make this such a lovely evening.

### Café on the Green



A lovely time was had by all at last week's Café and a magnificent **£1,516** was raised for the work in the Diocese of Machakos Kenya to provide free surgical treatment for children born with cleft lip, cleft palate, and other facial deformities.

# Coming Up

## Parish-wide 6.30pm Service



Last Sunday Rev Lee Higson, from Oldham's Church plant, spoke about **Listening to God in the Midst of Exile**. You can watch his talk here:

[www.youtube.com/watch?v=k7s9XLzHxzs](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k7s9XLzHxzs). This Sunday we have Ian Thomas speaking on **God is mysteriously at work, even in exile**. I hope you can join us

## Bolton Repair Cafe

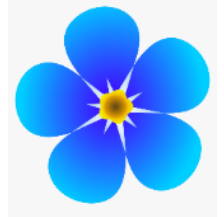


**Wed 19 June, 10.30am-12.30pm, St Andrew's.** Bring items for repair, and stay for delicious coffee and cake.

## Friendship Group for those with Dementia

Thu 20 June, 2pm-4pm, Parish Centre

A group for those with dementia *and* their carers. **Meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday each month.** Tea/coffee and cake and a very warm welcome. Come and join us for this month's session - *Summertime – Cream tea*. Time to have fun, relax and chat, play a game or two plus a singalong and quiz. Donation £1. per person to cover costs. More info from [joan@stpetersparish.info](mailto:joan@stpetersparish.info) / 01204 840180



## Home for Good Peer Support Group

Sat 29 June, 12.30pm-2pm, Parish Centre

For adopters, foster, kinship carers and families. Bring and share lunch. Info: Fiona 07786 844141



## Out and About Walk

Sat 6 July, 9.30am, opposite St Peter's Church

All welcome to join us for a 6 to 7 mile moderate walk through Beacon Fell and the River Brock. Bring a packed lunch. More info from Dave Moffoot on 07767 055967.

## Leaving a Legacy to Church

If you are interested in getting more details on Leaving a Legacy and accessing the Church of England free online will writing service, see our new "Leaving a Legacy" leaflet, available at all four churches across the Parish or by using the link [www.stpetersparish.info/legacy](http://www.stpetersparish.info/legacy)



## Barrow Bridge Mission's Anniversary

Fri 12, Sat 13 and Sun 14 July, Barrow Bridge Mission



Barrow Bridge is celebrating the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of its new building! Starting Fri 12 July, 7pm with a history tour of Barrow Bridge Village followed by refreshments at the Mission. On Sat 13 July, 1-4pm, there will be a history exhibition of Barrow Bridge Village and Moss Bank in partnership with Halliwell History Society, refreshments available. On Sun 14 July, the 10.30am morning service will be a celebration service. Events open to everyone so please do come along and share this occasion with us.

## Dreaming the Impossible Summer Camp



This summer, we are taking a group of young people from the parishes of St Peter's Halliwell and Christ Church Pennington to a Christian youth festival that aims to inspire young people in their faith and walk with

Jesus! This trip comes at a cost and whilst we have asked young people to contribute, they have also been working hard at fundraising for the trip. If you haven't contributed yet and would like to, please visit:

[cafdonate.cafonline.org/25839](http://cafdonate.cafonline.org/25839)

## Spring Harvest – Now Booking for 2025



Booking for Spring Harvest has just opened! A group from the parish will be going so join us for lots of fun at Skegness from 7 – 11 April 2025. See here to find out more - [youtube.com/watch?v=tap3ljGwBn0](https://youtube.com/watch?v=tap3ljGwBn0)  
Book online or by phone [springharvest.org](http://springharvest.org) / 0330 100 9330.

## St Peter's Leadership Team

The minutes of the May meeting are now displayed on the noticeboard at the back of St Peter's Church – please take a look.

## Good News for Romania

Our wonderful mission partners, Dave and Kath from Good News for Romania, are currently in Romania. They ask for prayer for safety, good health, good relationships and the right words to say to those in need and the Lord's guidance in all they do. During their time there, they are also organising the itinerary for the schoolchildren who are coming to visit Bolton in July.



Pictured at a planning meeting with Daniel, the school Headteacher.

## Prayer for the Week

History is full of stories of times when God has stirred His church to awaken; to hunger for more of His presence and pray for Him to move in fresh and powerful ways. There are many accounts of revivals where people have come to faith in their thousands. But revival needs to start in the hearts of believers, and in the church. **See Rev Alan's prayer on the back page...**

## Looking Forward

### St Andrew's 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

**Sat 29 and Sun 30 Jun. Offers of cake or help needed!** To share your memories of St Andrew's, go to [www.stpetersparish.info/st-andrews](http://www.stpetersparish.info/st-andrews). Contact Diane Ball: [ball831@sky.com](mailto:ball831@sky.com)

### Good News for Romania School Visit

**Thu 11 July – Tue 16 July** 12 children, aged 8-14 are coming for a visit to Bolton to learn about our culture, history and English family life. Prayers appreciated and if you can help with accommodation, transport or in any other way, contact 07903 546008 [davidandkath@hotmail.com](mailto:davidandkath@hotmail.com)

### St Andrew's Holiday Club

**Mon 19 Aug – Thu 22 Aug, 1pm-3.30pm**  
Volunteers needed for this Olympic-themed holiday club - helping with crafts, sports or making refreshments for the children. Please contact Lucy Hargraves if interested or to find out more info: [LucyHargraves@manchester.anglican.org](mailto:LucyHargraves@manchester.anglican.org)

### PRAYER from Rev Alan...

God of Revival, I have heard of your deeds, of how you have moved in power, bringing hearts to you in their thousands. I am not content for these to remain stories of a bygone-era, but I am desperate to see them repeated in our day, in our land, in our town of Bolton.

Would you break up the hardened soil of my heart, root out the weeds of sin and apathy, and make my heart ready to receive the refreshing rain of your Spirit, so I can bear the fruit of righteousness.

Would you begin a work of revival in me that cannot be contained, but will spill out into the soil of our church, our nation, our world.

Come Lord Jesus.  
Come Holy Spirit.

Amen

### Coming up this week

Date & Times	Activity	Details	Location
<b>Mon 17 June</b>			
9.30am-12noon 10am-12noon 6pm-7.30pm 7.30pm-9.30pm	Age UK's Strength & Balance Class Coffee Room Weight Management Programme Girl's Discipleship Group	Classes are full, contact Parish Office Drop-in for coffee and cakes Sign up: <a href="http://www.yhbolton.co.uk">www.yhbolton.co.uk</a> /01204 205090 All girls in Y9 and up welcome	Parish Centre
<b>Tues 18 June</b>			
9.45am-11.30am	Tots on Tuesday	Julie 07835 014470	St Andrew's
10am-11.30am 6pm-7.15pm 7.30pm-9pm	Little Wiggles Toddlers IGNITE KS2 Children's Group Tread Youth Group	Suzi 07834 371509 <a href="mailto:ignite@stpetersparish.info">ignite@stpetersparish.info</a> Ben 07512 753201	Parish Centre
<b>Weds 19 June</b>			
10am-11.30am 8pm-9.30pm	Open Door Ladies Group Alpha Course	Talk by The Woodland Trust <a href="mailto:office@stpetersparish.info">office@stpetersparish.info</a>	Parish Centre
9am-1pm 10.30am-12.30pm	Hope at the Hub Repair Cafe	Drop-in community session Bring items for repair, stay for refreshments	St Andrew's
<b>Thurs 20 June</b>			
10.30am-12noon	Oasis Coffee Morning and Service	Refreshments from 10.30am, service 11.30am	St Peter's
2pm-4pm 8pm-9.30pm	Dementia Support Group Life Group	<a href="mailto:joan@stpetersparish.info">joan@stpetersparish.info</a> / 01204 840180 <a href="mailto:office@stpetersparish.info">office@stpetersparish.info</a>	Parish Centre
<b>Fri 21 June</b>			
10am-12noon 10.30am-12noon 8pm-10pm	Watercolours Class Friday Life Group Stressbusters Badminton	Lucinda 07977 821119 <a href="mailto:denis.collier@gmail.com">denis.collier@gmail.com</a> Geoff 07835 388732	Parish Centre

### Keep Connected

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