



# ST. PETER'S CHURCH BROADSHEET

MAY 2017

A MONTHLY NEWS ROUND-UP FOR THE PARISH OF ALDBOROUGH HATCH

## Services

### Sunday 7th May

*Fourth Sunday of Easter*

8am Holy Communion  
10.30am Morning Prayer  
6.30pm Holy Communion

### Sunday 14th May

*Fifth Sunday of Easter*

8am Holy Communion  
10.30am Holy Communion  
6.30pm Evening Prayer

### Sunday 21st May

*Sixth Sunday of Easter*

*Rogation Sunday*

8am Holy Communion  
10.30am Family Service  
6.30pm Holy Communion

### Sunday 28th May

*Seventh Sunday of Easter*

*First Sunday after Ascension*

8am Morning Prayer  
10.30am Holy Communion  
6.30pm Evening Prayer

### Sunday 4th June

*Pentecost – Whit Sunday*

8am Holy Communion  
10.30am Morning Prayer  
6.30pm Holy Communion

### Weekdays

The church is open for private prayer  
Wednesday (10.30am to 12noon)

**Wednesdays**

10am: Holy Communion

## Compassion and love

It's been only a week as I write since a man drove across Westminster Bridge and killed four, injuring many people. What struck me in the midst of this crisis appearing in detail on the TV was not the one evil man who caused all the chaos; it was the many people who stopped to help. Each person who was on the ground on the bridge had people around them. The policeman who died was surrounded by people to help him, one of whom was an MP who should have been whisked away to somewhere secure. Even the man himself, as he lay shot on the ground, was surrounded by helpers, trying to save him even though they were minutes earlier the very targets this man had set out to kill.

We say what an evil world, we say it gets worse every day but it seemed to me that as well as seeing the worst of humanity that day, we saw also the best of humanity. The best of humanity was outnumbering the bad; they were there with love and compassion. They did not run away - and who would have blamed them? No, they stayed to show love to the injured strangers in their path.

In the story of the Good Samaritan we see three people walk past and only one help the man who had been beaten. Of that one Jesus asked: *'Who loved their neighbour?'* and, of course, it was the last one any of the hearers of that story expected to help.

That awful Wednesday brought out the best in people. They truly loved their neighbour. They did not stop to judge the colour of their skin or their gender, their sexuality, their faith or the lack of faith. No, they just acted with compassion and love. This world is a place of hope and the battle for good and evil is assured and already won. For those who love already out-number those who would bring chaos and hate into it.

**Revd Kate Lovesey, Priest-in-Charge**

## Tenor and Bass Voices needed

Are you a tenor? Do you have a bass voice? If so, St. Peter's Church Choir needs you! Four new sopranos have joined recently. It is fun and you would be very welcome. Please contact Lee Hawkes, Churchwarden, on 0130 472 9346 or [l.hawkes1212@live.co.uk](mailto:l.hawkes1212@live.co.uk)

Have you booked the dates!  
**St. Peter's  
Flower Festival  
2017**

**Saturday 24<sup>th</sup>  
Sunday 25<sup>th</sup>  
Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June**

This will be the thirty-seventh consecutive year in which we have held a Flower Festival



## St. Peter's May Day Fête

**St. Peter's Church Halls and  
Grounds**

**Bank Holiday Monday  
1st May - 2pm to 4.30pm**

**Admission Free**

**Bedding Plants – Tombola – Raffle  
Books – Home-made cakes – Preserves**

**Refreshments:**

**Tea, Coffee, Cakes, Soft Drinks**

## Around the Hatch



For some 155 years – give or take a year or so – there has been a Sunday evening service at St. Peter's. Holy Communion alternates with Evensong. But these services are under threat – simply because attendances have dropped sharply away, whilst the 8am and 10.30 services have good congregations and Messy Church is attracting families.

So it is a case of 'use it or lose it!'

It is a disturbing fact that many churches no longer have an evening service on Sundays. Is the time of 6.30pm inconvenient? Would you prefer a different style of service – *Songs of Praise*, for example, which has been popular in the past? We would be interested to have your views – drop a note at the Vicarage, speak to the Churchwardens or email the Editor at [ronjeffries@live.co.uk](mailto:ronjeffries@live.co.uk)

### Thursford Christmas Show

Five years ago we had a trip to *The Thursford Christmas Spectacular* in Norfolk. Some may recall what a splendid time we had. We have managed to get 40 tickets for the matinee on 7th December 2017. A coach has been booked. Finer details and times will be arranged later. The trip, including the show, coach and driver's tip is £60. If you would like to book on this trip, or discuss it in more detail, please contact Shirley Rudge (TEL: 020 8590 5882) or Chris Poole (020 8514 5764).

Cheques payable to St Peter's Church. We are aware that it is a lot of money to pay in one go so we will be happy for you to pay a little at a time to either of us. We would like the full amount to be paid by 1st November.

**Shirley Rudge**

### Community Memorial Garden Phase 2



In the next phase of the work on the Community Memorial Garden, we are hoping to create a beautiful Mosaic panel for the centre piece of the raised beds. The main design will be of the crossed keys of St. Peter as on the Scouts' scarves, in the west window in church and on the lychgate. We would love to have as many people as possible come and help us. There is a training session to learn to mosaic on Saturday 15th July (1pm to 5pm) in the Church Hall. We will be making the actual mosaic on Saturday 22nd July (10am to 4pm) and Sunday 23rd July (2pm to 5pm). All ages welcome. If you are able to join in please contact Kristy Leach (TEL: 020 8590 6628).

### St. Peter's Flower Festival Fund-raising Events

*Raising money to buy the flowers*

### Just Desserts



**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May 7pm**  
**Aldbrough Hall Farm**  
*(next door to the Dick Turpin)*  
Have your main course at home, then come to the farm for a delicious assortment of desserts, sweets and puddings. **£1a portion!**

**Spring Quiz**  
**St. Peter's Church Halls**  
**Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> June**  
**7pm for 7.30pm**  
*Tickets £8 including a mixed platter from Jenifer Allen (020 8599 8738) or Linda Wright (020 8590 7248)*

### Future Events

Coffee Morning & Bring and Buy Sale  
*Saturday 15th July*  
Summer Lunch  
*Sunday 13th August*

### St. Peter's Flower Festival 2017

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup>, Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> and Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June  
*The theme this year is*  
**Tell us a story**

### Favourite children's books

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### Unwanted toiletries

If you have any unwanted toiletries may we have them for the May Day Fete? Please leave at the back of the church or telephone Irene Kirby on 020 8550 4094.

*Did you know that the Dick Turpin started life in a farm cottage? The full story is told in 'Aldbrough Hatch – The Village in the Suburbs – A History'. The 2017 updated revised edition is now available – for details ring 020 8599 7250 or email [ronjeffries@live.co.uk](mailto:ronjeffries@live.co.uk).*

### From Beer House to Public House to Restaurant

The original Dick Turpin was a beer house in one of the Aldborough Hall Farm Cottages to the north of the present building. These cottages are believed to date back to the 16th Century.

The 1861 Census lists James Cole (73, born at Weald, Essex) as Beer House Keeper, his wife Martha (61), and sons George (41) and Thomas (31), both dealers – wife and sons were born in Barking. Both sons are buried in St. Peter's Churchyard – George in 1888 and Thomas in 1901. Thomas took over as Beer House Keeper in 1881 and Emily Cole, niece of Thomas, from 1902 to 1914. From 1917 Ernest Perkins is listed as Beer Retailer.

The cottages burned down in a fire in September 1966. RJ

### St. Peter's Organisations

**Monday Club** – Monday 2pm  
**Beaver Scouts** – Monday 6.30pm  
**Cub Scouts** – Monday 6.30pm  
**Scouts** – Monday 8pm  
**Brownie Guides** – Tuesday 7pm  
**Guides** – Wednesday 7pm

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