

The Parish of St Peter's Field Broughton



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Celebrating as a Community

As we write this, Harvest, is upon us again and we embark upon a busy time in the Church's calendar. Harvest is a special time, particularly in a parish like Field Broughton, which remains essentially a farming community. Our Harvest Festival weekend gave us an opportunity to come together in fellowship: Harvest Supper in the Parish Rooms, Celebration of Harvest in Words and Music, and the Sunday Holy Communion Service, at which gifts were presented at the altar. These gifts were taken to the Food Bank and local Family Centres, expressing our gratitude to God for his generosity, and showing our generosity to others. In this way we express our thanks for God's bounty and for all those who work so hard to bring food to our tables.

Now we begin Remembrance: departed friends at All Souls on 29th October, and those who fell in the service of our country on Remembrance Sunday. Then comes the start of the new church year with all the celebrations around the birth of Jesus. Please feel welcome to come and join us.

The Churchwardens

Regular Tributes leading up to Remembrance Day 2018: Over the following year, up to November 2018, St Peter's will be remembering those who fell in the First World War, with special services remembering each of the 12 local men who feature on our War Memorial. Their names are: Timothy Benson, John Churchman, Robert G Hutchinson, Thomas Jackson, Henry Keenan, Richard Edgar Newsham, John Pearson, Thomas Preston, William Gray Rawlinson, Herbert Shread, Frank Wilkin, and John Pattinson. Relatives, or anyone who knows relatives of these men, do please get in touch with the church.

We would also like to offer all in the parish an opportunity to place in our church memorials to forebears who lost their lives in the First World War. We are thinking along the lines of a photograph and some text which could be placed on the window sills.

Cartmel Peninsula Team Ministry Update: Bishop James and the Archdeacon (Vernon Ross) met with representatives (clergy, churchwardens and Team Council members) from the parishes on the Peninsula on 29th September to inform them of the outcome of the deliberations of the Bishop's Working Party. The parishes are due to respond to these proposals by mid November. We hope that at last a satisfactory conclusion can be arrived at which will benefit us all.

A Repeat Invitation!: All are invited to come and experience the peace inside our beautiful church and the tranquillity of the churchyard. Relatives may be interested to know that an up-to-date map of the churchyard and lists and dates of those buried are available both online and inside the church. www.stpetersfieldbroughton.org.uk/churchyard/

St Peter's Church of England – who to contact?

Vicar: Reverend Nick Devenish 36261

You can also contact the church through the website



Pastoral Visitor: Judith Slater 36361



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What's been happening in the Parish?

Christian Meditation: As news spreads of this opportunity for peace and quiet reflection, we are steadily attracting new attendees, occasional and regular. Please feel welcome to come and see if it meets your needs.

Biddy Hibbert's Commissioning: On 17th September we were delighted to welcome Revd Nicki Pennington (Learning Development Team Leader, Cumbria Christian Learning) to St Peter's to preach the sermon, and,



most importantly, on behalf of the Bishop, to commission Biddy Hibbert to be a Local Lay Minister in our parish. This ministry will have a particular role in leading our worship when an ordained priest is not available, and in pastoral work as well. This will complement the work of Judith Slater whose role as pastoral visitor in the parish has been similarly recognized. We offer Biddy our full support as she

takes up the challenge of this new role, and thank her for being prepared to undertake it.

For Your Diary — Future Services including Christmas @ St Peter's

Remembrance Day: Sunday 12th November.

Nine Lessons and Carols on December 10th at 5.30pm.

The Christingle Service will be on December 17th at 5.30pm

Christmas Eve is a Sunday so there will be no morning services at either St Peter's or Cartmel Priory. Biddy will lead our Christingle Service and our Services of the Word on 29th October, 31st December, 29th April and 29th July. Christmas Day: Service at 9.30 as usual.

Words and Music for Harvest 2017: This was our third Autumn and Harvest themed evening of songs, instrumental solo performances, and readings of prose and poetry. The interesting and varied selection of pieces seemed to be very well received. The programme began with an old favourite: *Ode to Autumn* by John Keats (we can't leave that one out!). This was followed by an extract from *A Shiver of Wonder* [A Life of C S Lewis by Derick Bingham].

Plums by Gillian Clarke came next and then *September, October* and *November* from *A Child's Calendar* by John Updike. The last two poems were: *Merry Autumn* by Lawrence Dunbar and *The Creation* by James Weldon Johnson. (Many thanks to our readers: Val Richardson, Andrew Sykes, Ruth Cutler, Ella Tasker and Sandra Williams.)

The musical offerings which alternated with the readings were: Russ Bate singing *Bread and Fishes* by Alan Bell and Ewan McColl's *Shoals of Herring*. Then were treated to Bach's *Sonata No 4* played on the flute by Joe Wilkinson. John Iveson accompanied his wife Mary, who sang *The Lord is my Shepherd* (from Vicar of Dibley) and Rutter's *I will sing with the Spirit*. The evening was rounded off with a rendition, by all those who felt able and willing, of the first and last verse of *We plough the fields and scatter*.

Your Invitation Cards and Welcome Packs

Over the last few weeks, members of our congregation, have again been out (come rain or shine!) delivering invitation cards - through letter-boxes, or, if lucky, by hand. We really enjoy this personal contact and opportunity to be of service. We hope to see you at some of our events.

Nine Lessons and Carols: The first Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols at King's College, Cambridge, was held on Christmas Eve in 1918. So it is appropriate that, as it falls for us on the 2nd Sunday in December, it will include our second tribute to fallen from WW1.

