

St Peter's Church Magazine

Summer Edition ~ July and August 2022



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EDITORIAL

Welcome to our joint July/August edition! The year is flying by and our 275 Celebrations have continued unabated, with the Flower Festival and Art Show bringing us a constant stream of visitors and countless complimentary comments. Well done to all those who made it possible!

July sees the two services in church which are at the core of our celebrations: on 3rd July our Patronal Festival and on 17th July our Consecration Service. As ever, Anne has called in preachers from the upper echelons of the Church – The Right Reverend Kenneth Kearon, formerly Bishop of Limerick and Killaloe, and The Right Reverend Beverley Mason, currently holding the fort in the Diocese of Liverpool.

We were saddened to learn of the death of Father Kevin Eastell, who served St Peter's from 1976 to 1982. It was before my time in Formby. But he contributed to a series in our magazine a few years ago entitled "Where are they now?" He was leading an English-speaking chaplaincy in Doué-la-Fontaine, and we were made very welcome when we attended services whilst holidaying in the Loire Valley.

Speaking of holidays, do you find a local church to worship in when on holiday? We do, and we always take a copy of our latest Parish Magazine, together with greetings from St Peter's, Formby. Why not try it? It's a good opening gambit!



Best Wishes

The Editorial Team

EMAIL DIRECTORY

We have a parish email directory which is used once or twice a month to send out dates for the month and also when a special event is coming up. If you would like to be added to the email list, please send an email to office@stpetersformby.co.uk. This is a way to help us keep in touch. Email addresses will be used only by St Peter's.

The magazine is an important means of outreach and keeps everyone informed and in touch with the life of St Peter's Church. The magazine is free, though it would be appreciated if you would like to give a donation towards production costs. If you would like a magazine delivered to your home, please contact the Parish Office. ☎ **871171** ✉ office@stpetersformby.co.uk



Moving with the Times and Going Contactless!

St Peter's now has a contactless payment machine for donations at services; it is situated near the door of the church.

Dear Friends,

I am writing this in the week following our **Flower Festival and Art Exhibition**, and still feeling a 'high'! What a wonderful week it has been! We reckon that there were 1000 people who walked through the doors of St Peter's during the week and the most common comments were "fabulous" and "inspiring"

A lot of planning and preparation went into making the week such a success. First of all, thanks to the Formby Flower Club for the amazing arrangements which were so much admired and photographed, and to the Association of Formby Artists.

Our 275 committee beavered away on the practical arrangements, making sure everything was covered. A special thanks to Fiona Martin who spearheaded the event, to Mark Andrews who made sure stands were ready for the arrangers, to David Holroyd who looked after all the publicity, to the stewards and those who looked after the Coffee Shop and baked cakes and to the Revd Barry Dryden for preaching at the morning Eucharist. And to Cockbain & Associates for their sponsorship of the event.

The wonderful spin-off of these events is the enjoyment of working together, getting to know new people and having a real buzz being part of St Peter's community. To be able to open our doors to so many people and have them all feel welcomed cannot be underestimated. Other comments made to me by people coming out of the church included – 'the church has a real sense of love' and 'I stood before the altar and had an overwhelming feeling of peace'. Another wonderful 275 event.

So the summer is here but we are not slowing down just yet! In July we welcome a '**Trio of Bishops!**'

We have our **Patronal Festival Service** on Sunday 3rd July at 10am when the special preacher will be Bishop Kenneth Kearon who, incidentally, preached at my licencing to St Peter's 8 years ago. This was before he was a Bishop amazing what a visit to St Peter's can do!



On Friday 8th July we have our **275th Anniversary Dinner** in the Marquee at the Cricket Club. This promises to be a real celebration evening with lovely food, music and magic! An evening not to be missed! So make sure to obtain a ticket (£30) from Shena Edwards or through the Parish Office.

The Deanery Confirmation Service is in St Peter's this year on Sunday 10th July at 6.30pm and we welcome Bishop Geoff Pearson who will conduct the service. Bishop Geoff is the retired Bishop of Lancaster and helps in our diocese.

St Peter's was consecrated for worship on 19th July 1747 by the Bishop of Chester, Samuel Peploe (Liverpool was part of Chester diocese). On Sunday 17th July the Bishop of Warrington, Beverley Mason, will come and preach at our **275th Celebration Service** at 10am. We will also be welcoming among the invited guests the Lord

Lieutenant of Merseyside and representatives from the groups within our parish including the Air Training Corp and local sports clubs.

Please put these dates in your diary and come along to St Peter's as we give thanks for our church and its ministry down through the centuries.

This month we welcome **Revd Gordon McLeod** who comes to St Peter's for his final year of curacy. Gordon has already completed his first two years in Maghull & Melling. But as his training incumbent retired it was felt that he should have supervision and support for his final year. Gordon did a placement with us prior to ordination and we are delighted to welcome him back as a priest and our curate.



We can all have a break for August before we start part two of our year of celebration! This starts early in September with a **Community Fun Day** in the school grounds on Saturday 3rd, a **Pet Service** on Sunday 11th after which there will be the **Harvest Festival Weekend** beginning on Saturday 24th with a **Cabaret**, a **Scarecrow Shindig** and the **Harvest Thanksgiving Services** on Sunday 25th. September is going to be a fun packed month.

Nobody can say that life is boring in St Peter's!

Let's pull out all the stops for the July services and celebrate all that St Peter's means to you and our community by pausing God together.

Anne

“Footsteps Through Formby”

A Successful Flower Festival

The recent Flower Festival was a resounding success and our thanks go to the Flower Arrangers, Fiona Martin and her team for their time and dedication to the event, without them, it would not have been possible. We would also like thank our sponsors COCKBAIN & ASSOCIATES Wealth Management.



The Need for a Name.

During the past 30 years or so there seems to be a deep need to look back in time as testified by the number of history books being sold and the many history TV programmes. Adverts for genealogies make available the history of whole families. To help organise times past we find names being given to periods of history eg The Bronze Age, the Dark Ages, and Regency. Many who lived during those periods would not recognise them as such. Not many iron age men and women would have seen much iron. Some of the names given were once proudly announced but no more, names such as the British Empire once seen as a stabilising influence on the world but now closely associated with slavery and land grabs. The term the 'Christian Era' is in fact meaningless. The Christian religion is still with us and the term is often used to try to relegate Christ's work to the past.

In the light of all this naming what would we call this period of the last thirty years or so? One of the titles given in several papers recently is a 'Time of Anxiety'. This implies that we are experiencing a greater level of stress than in other ages. This seems unlikely as previous periods of history are full of difficult times. A Tudor farmer watching his crop fail will be facing starvation that is as bad as it can get. The new deep concern about anxiety may be associated with individuals being exposed to new and threatening experiences such as artificial intelligence and social media.

What is interesting is the growing ability to talk about the stress we experience especially in dealing with personal relationships. A recent TV programme on 'Countryfile' looked at life on a small island in the Severn Estuary. Part of the work looked at restoration tasks undertaken by ex soldiers suffering from trauma while serving in the armed services. Their stories of re-establishing themselves was heart warming, especially in the way they opened up to people and their gratitude to the charity involved which had reached out to them.

The basis of a relationship is understanding compassion and reaching out among others. The word 'love' has for some reason become changed. Most Antique Roadshows have the experts say to the owner of the object under review, "Why do you love it?" The antique may be a bronze vase, toy or picture. The expert often says that he or she loves that style or period. Nothing really wrong with this save it degrades the word love.

To love refers to the relationship a person has for another and is hopefully reciprocated. To love an object for its own sake is part of the changes to the English language which takes place naturally but it destroys the real meaning of the word. Why can't those on Antiques Roadshow say they like something?

The reason to defend the old definition of love is to allow the meaning found in the bible to be fully understood. The relationship between God , Christ and us is reciprocal. That we can express the need for strength in prayer to the love we can experience through faith.

This has been true for centuries and has helped many through anxious times and still can. We may be going through a period of heightened anxiety but the faith and belief have helped so many. The charity which reaches out to help the ex-soldiers mentioned earlier is an example of the need for all to feel needed and linked to others. Anxious people often feel isolated and so the hand which is stretched towards you is important. Christ knew this so well.

Rod Jacques



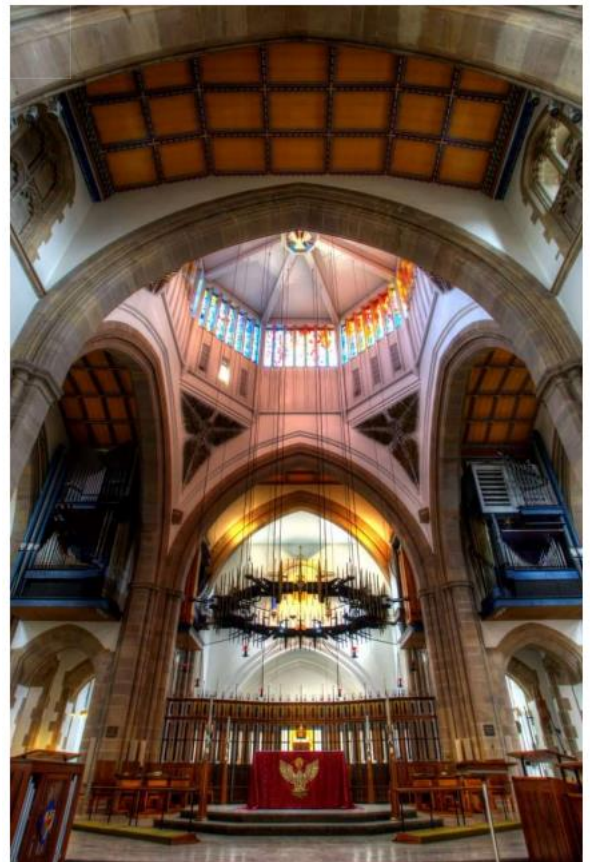
On Tour - again!

The choir's last venture out was to Liverpool Cathedral in May, when we had the huge pleasure of singing Choral Evensong in the Lady Chapel - such a lovely place to sing. Before that it had been a while!

We had been due to sing in Blackburn in August 2020, but that never happened. So we're really looking forward to having our friends from Amadeus: the Chamber Choir join us when we are to sing the 10:30am Cathedral Eucharist and 4:00pm Choral Evensong in Blackburn on Sunday 31st July.

If you happen to be out that way ... or if you fancy coming specially - it would be great to see you at one or both of the services.

Blackburn Cathedral is a beautiful building with a wonderful acoustic, and a stunningly magnificent organ. I'll be certain to make sure you can hear it - even if you stay here in Formby!



David Holroyd



Last Night of the Proms Concert - Saturday 21st May 2022

This was the third in our year-long series of events to mark the 275th anniversary of the present St Peter's Church. At the same time, we celebrated the remarkable Platinum Jubilee of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. The music was a wonderful variety that spanned many years, and we thank The St Peter's Singers and David Holroyd for a wonderful evening.

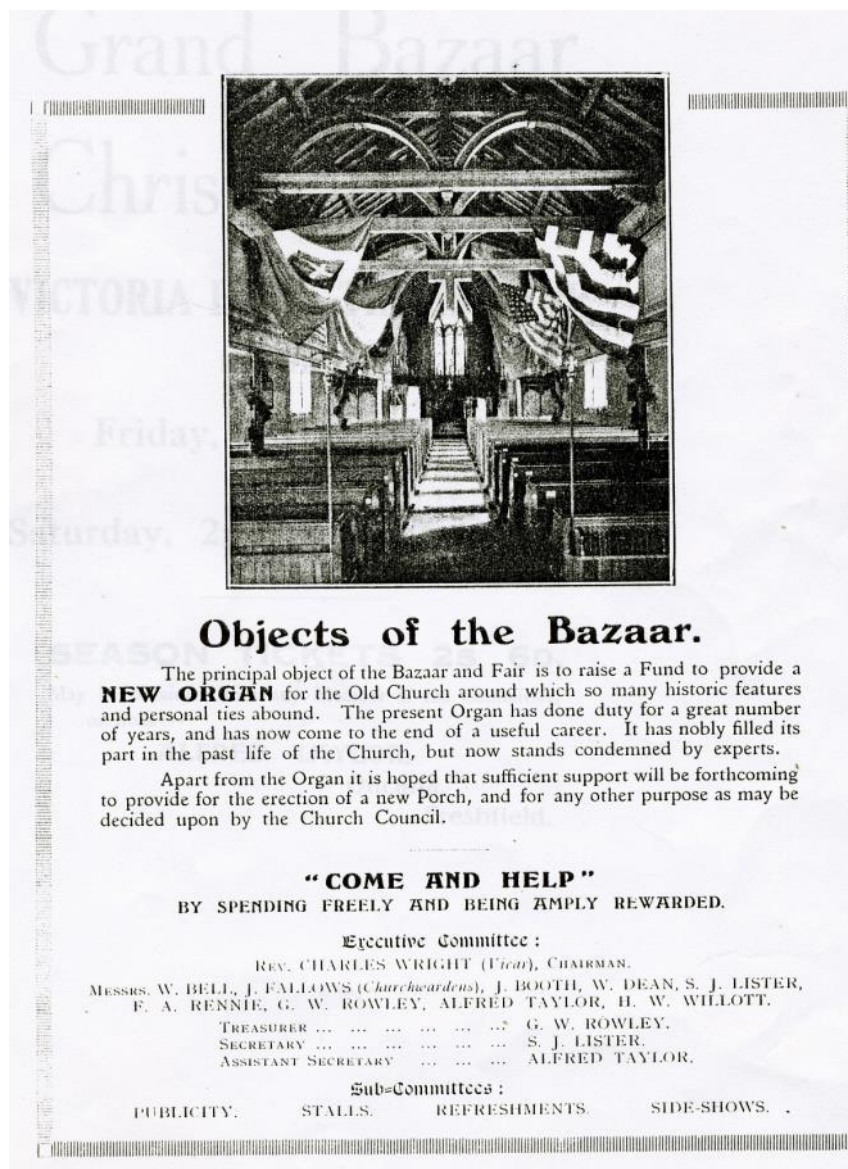
FLAGS AT ST PETER'S - 100 YEARS ON!

After taking my seat at the Last Night of the Proms and seeing the wonderful display of Union Jacks, I was reminded of a photo I had come across whilst preparing the exhibition for Heritage Week. The image appeared in the flyer for a bazaar held by the folk of St Peter's in 1922 to raise funds for a new organ – precisely a century ago!

The old photo is rather more sombre than the exuberance of our 2022 “Last Night”, and may have originally have been taken for a service of thanksgiving for peace after World War 1. In 1922 parishioners were exhorted to “Spend freely and be amply rewarded” -- nothing new in our 275th celebrations, then! The year 1922 was the 175th anniversary of our church at Green Lane, but there is no mention of that on the flyer.

Certainly our 2022 “Last Night of the Proms” was a great event of celebration of our 275th anniversary, and of Her Majesty's 70 years on the throne, being a joyous outpouring of patriotism and thanks. Congratulations to David Holroyd and the St Peter's Singers for giving us such an enjoyable evening.

Nick Philpott



July Bible Readings

3rd – St Peter's Patronal Festival

Ezekiel 3:2-27 / 1 Peter 2:19-25 / Matthew 16:13-19

4th – St Thomas the Apostle

Habakkuk 2:1-4 / Ephesians 2:19-22 / John 20:24-29

10th – 4th Sunday after Trinity

Amos 7:7-17 / Colossians 1:1-14 / Luke 10:25-37

17th – The 5th Sunday after Trinity

Amos 8:1-12 / Colossians 1:15-28 / Luke 10:38-42

22nd – Mary Magdalene

Song of Solomon 3:1-4 / 2 Corinthians 5:14-17 / John 20:1-2, 11-18

24th – The 6th Sunday after Trinity

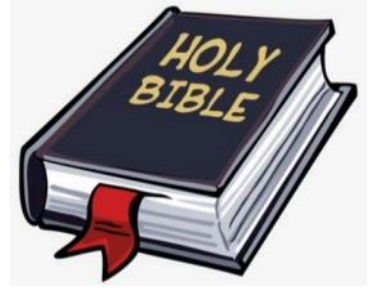
Hosea 1:2-10 / Colossians 2:6-15 (16-19) / Luke 11:1-13

25th – James the Apostle

Jeremiah 45:1-5 / Acts 11:27 – 12:2 / Matthew 20:20-28

31st – The 7th Sunday after Trinity

Hosea 11:1-11 / Colossians 3:1-11 / Luke 12:13-21



August Bible Readings

6th – Transfiguration of Our Lord

Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14 / 2 Peter 1:16-19 / Luke 9:28-36

14th – The 9th Sunday after Trinity

Isaiah 5:1-7 / Hebrews 11:29-12:2 / Luke 12:49-56

15th – The Blessed Virgin Mary

Isaiah 61:10-11 / Galatians 4:4-7 / Luke 1:46-55

21st – The 10th Sunday after Trinity

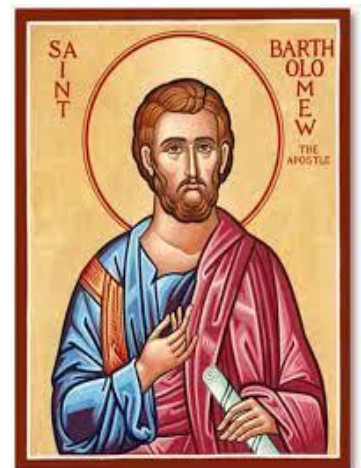
Jeremiah 1:4-10 / Hebrews 12:18-29 / Luke 13:10-17

24th – Bartholomew the Apostle

Isaiah 43:8-13 / Acts 5:12-16 / Luke 22:24-30

28th – The 11th Sunday after Trinity

Jeremiah 2:4-13 / Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16 / Luke 14:1, 7-14





At our meeting on 2nd June we celebrated the Queens Platinum Jubilee with a strawberry tea. We opened our meeting, as usual, with a short service and this was followed by a Royalty based quiz which was enjoyed by everyone.

Our next meeting will be on 1st September, when we are hoping for a visit from Revd Nathan Thorpe although this has yet to be confirmed.

The toiletries previously collected for the refugees have been passed to Peter Paine, who sent a very big thank you for all your effort. We will start collecting toothbrushes in September.

The meeting in October will be our annual church service and we will continue to celebrate Mothers Union corporate communion on the first Wednesday of each month.

Wishing you a happy Summer break.

Herbert and Jean



Our diocesan prayer

Loving Father,
by your grace we long to see
more people knowing Jesus,
and more justice in your world.
Help us to live as your disciples in the
power of the Spirit
and to work to your praise and glory.
Amen.



Weekly Prayers for our Parish

Each Sunday we pray for the residents who live in our parish and during the year every street is included in our prayer rota.

During July please pray for all who live in –

- 3rd Jul** Churches Together in Formby, Altcar and Hightown
- 10th Jul** Hawksworth Drive, Hawksworth Close, Longton Drive
- 17th Jul** Turnacre, Lingdales, Deansgate Lane North
- 24th Jul** Brackenway, Gorsefield, The Rydinge
- 31st Jul** Heatherways, Dales Walk, Spymers Croft

During August please pray for all who live in –

- 7th Aug** Heathfield Close, The Spinney, Southport Road
- 14th Aug** Southport Old Road, North Moss/Pasture Lane, Broad Lane
- 21st Aug** Heather Close, Primrose Close, Longfield
- 28th Aug** Deansgate Lane, Mount House Road, Mount House Close



Little Fishes Pre-School Group

The Little Fishes is a pre-school drop-in group that meets on a Friday morning in school term time from 9.30 -11.30 in St Peter's Parish Hall (opposite Trinity St Peter's School). During July we will meet on Fridays, 1st, 8th and 15th with no meetings in August during the school holidays.

Parents, grandparents, guardians with children from 0 – 3 welcome for play, organised craft, songs and stories, together with a light snack and drink.

Messy play on the last Friday of the month.

Space for children and carers to play and support each



Sunday Club

Children start in church (10.00am) and then move to the Bier House for lots of fun. An adult comes with the child and can join in the activities. All children are welcome, though it is designed for the younger age group (up to Yr2). We also have children's puzzle sheets each week please ask those on duty at the church door. Dates for your diary are Sunday 3rd July and Sunday 10th July.



Bible Study enables us to see how scripture can help us in our everyday lives. It is more fun to study and journey together and all that is needed is a willingness to read the passage.

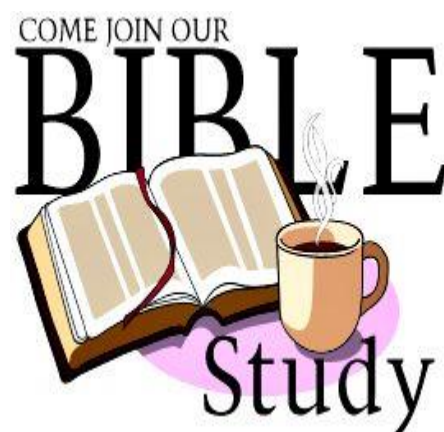
There are two groups, meeting at a different times in the Bier House.

So if you haven't already thought about it, please think about joining a group. Please approach one of the group leaders to say that you would be interested.

Tuesday Bible Study Group
(weekly) at 10am in July
Contact: Ken Ward 871171

Friday 8th & 22nd July at 2pm
Bible Study Group
Contact: Peter Paine 871171

There will not be any study groups in August for Ted, Ken and Peter.



Primetime

Our next meeting will be on
Wednesday 20th July

Meet in the **Parish Hall at 7.30pm.**

All ladies welcome, especially if
joining us for the first time.

Looking forward to seeing you,

Elaine and Sonia.



TIMEOUT

Men, beer and discussion.

The next meeting of
Timeout will be in
September—date tbc



Worship on Wednesday is a service
designed for pre-school children. The
children from Nursery and Reception at
Trinity St Peter's join us for this service,
which is held at
2.00pm.

Everyone is very
welcome.



Next **WOW**
Services are on **Wednesday**
29th June & 13th July

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FORMBY REFUGEE SUPPORT GROUP

Whatever your views about asylum seekers ours is not a campaigning group. What we do is a humanitarian response to a humanitarian need. From well before Covid we have been inviting asylum seekers from Asylum Link Merseyside to a lunch at St. Peter's Church Hall and a relaxing time

on the beach with optional visits to the church and games in the hall. We are an ecumenical group whose aim is to give a welcome to asylum seekers and demonstrate that not everyone in England is against them. They are, after all, strongly motivated, courageous and very often highly qualified. How else would they have got here?

They have come from Gaza, Yemen, and Cameroon, besides the more likely places such as, Sudan, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Iraq, Iran, and Syria. This is not an exhaustive list but you will recognize that all these places are either currently experiencing armed conflict or have done in recent times or are places where members of minority religious groups are liable to suffer persecution. So the asylum seekers that we meet have genuine reasons to be here and carry with them harrowing stories from their past including seeing family members killed in front of them and crossing the channel in a small boat. Their response to our "Welcome" is always very positive, warm, heart-felt and sometimes emotional. For us it is very moving and gratifying.

Some of the original members of our group are not as young as they were when we first started and we would be delighted if there are others, especially men from other Christian groups, as most of our guests are men, who might like to join us. Through the Spring, Summer and Autumn we try to provide a "Welcome Day" once a month, excluding Ramadan and August, and meet about three times a year to plan them. If you feel prompted to consider joining us please contact Peter on office@stpetersformby.co.uk or phone 871171

PLEASE NOTE – we have large print hymn books, bulletins and magazines. Those on duty in church will be pleased to assist in providing copies or let the Parish Administrator know if you would like a large print magazine delivered.



St Peter 'I don't know Him'

I don't know the man,
I don't know Him,
I don't know Him.
But I did,
From the moment I turned to Him,
That day by the Sea,
I knew Him,
Knew He was the Lord.
I so wanted to serve Him,
Speak for Him,
Follow Him,
Fish for Him,
Live and give my life for Him
No matter what.
He is the Lord
And I let Him down
Again and again and again.
I go on letting Him down.
But Jesus,



Who knows the best and worst of me,
Who knows how I rush in and blurt out,
Mix and mess things,
Fail and fall asleep,
Who feels the agony of the denied one,
Understands the agony of the one who denies.
He is the Lord
And He forgives
Again and again and
again.
He goes on forgiving.
Feed my lambs,
Take care of my sheep
Feed my sheep.



By Revd Daphne Kitching



After the Party

"Well," said the Queen to the little bear "where do you go from here"

"I am not sure your majesty" Paddington bear answered with a tear

"You see the Browns have all grown up and gone on their separate way"

Paddington continued "I am now homeless as I have nowhere else to stay"

"Well, my little friend" the Queen replied to him "this will never do at all"

"I too am all alone you can move into my palace I'm sure we will have a ball"

The little bear looked up and asked "will there be marmalade dear Queen"

Of course, she replied "the biggest spread of sandwiches you've ever seen"

"And cups of tea and crockery that you can drop and I will never mind"

The little bear replied "your majesty I accept your offer you are very very kind"

By John Sullivan

From the Church Register ~ Weddings

Saturday 4th June
Ian Aitken & Jennifer Hughes



Saturday 18th June
Luke Martin & Rebecca Cobain



Saturday 18th June
Callum Jones & Hannah Rimmer
at St Cuthberts, Southport

From the Church Register ~ Baptisms

Sunday 29th May
Charlotte Alice Appleton
Daughter of Joe & Catrin



Sunday 29th May
Alice Louisa Evelyn Day
daughter of Larna & Stewart



Sunday 5th June
Faye Willow Edwards
Daughter of Tom & Kirsty

More Baptisms From the Church Register



Sunday 5th June Frankie Carter
Louis & Louie Benjamin Samuel
Percival, children of Evie



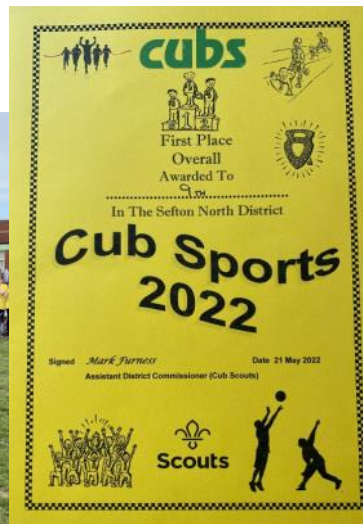
Sunday 5th June
Sam Jamie and Olivia Rose Petrou,
children of Sophie



Success at Athletics for the St Peter's Cubs!

The Cubs recently took part in the District Cub Sports Day competition held at Birkdale High School and is the first since the merger of Formby and Southport Districts. The Cubs enjoyed a fun filled afternoon with track and field events ranging from sprints to egg & Spoon, to basketball, to throwing cricket balls. All the cubs showed real enthusiasm and the 9th Formby with a number of them coming first in their event, which all added up to us winning the event!

Mark Sheil



*Please note the deadline for the September 2022 edition of the magazine is **Friday 5th August 2022**. Contributions to magazine@stpetersformby.co.uk*



ST PETER'S 275th CELEBRATIONS

Sunday 3rd July

Patronal Festival

Friday 8th July

Preacher: The Rt Revd Kenneth Kearon

Sunday 17th July

Festival Dinner in Marquee - Formby Cricket Club

Consecration Sunday

Preacher: The Rt Revd Beverley Mason

Saturday 3rd Sept

Community Fun Day in the School Grounds

Sunday 11th September

Pet Service

Saturday 24th September

Harvest Cabaret in Holy Trinity Parish Hall

Sunday 25th September

Harvest Thanksgiving & Scarecrow

Competition. Preacher: Canon Alastair Graham

Sunday 2nd October

Preacher: The Revd Canon Paul Ormrod

Sunday 13th November 6.30pm

Faure's Requiem

Saturday 19th November

Parish Vision Day – The Way Ahead

Weds 14th - Sunday 18th Dec

Christmas Tree Festival

Sunday 18th December

Carol Service

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275th Anniversary Merchandise

Tea-Towels	£5.00
Flat Tote bags: 36 x 40cm	£8.00
Gusset shopping bag: 40 x 40cm	£8.00
Either bag plus tea-towel	£12.00
St Peter's Wine Glasses	£15.00
Bottle of 275 th Anniversary Beer	£2.50
Please contact the Parish Office	



THE FOODBANK

We need to continue supporting our local food bank please . On behalf of the bank, I would thank you for your generosity and kindness as shown by your past support. Currently the

**Urgently needed items-
Tinned meat e.g. ham,
corned beef, tinned fruit,
rice pudding, tinned custard
and rice.**

The Foodbank has plenty of beans, soup and tinned tomatoes.

Glyn Jones

SHOPPING LIST

Crisps

Savoury crackers

Biscuits

Sweets and confectionery

Ketchup, brown sauce, mayonnaise

Instant noodles

Toilet rolls

Washing-up liquid

*We also need toiletries such as shampoo, conditioner,
shower gel, razors and deodorant (male and female)*

Thank you

Saturday Crew – Ukrainian Update

In response to the Revd Barnard Cocker's appeal on our local TV News Channel for support in Ukraine, Anne Scarrott, from the Saturday Crew, has received a letter. A copy of which is printed overleaf informing all who very kindly left their donations at the Elim Church, Formby, of the aid already getting through to the people of Ukraine as a direct result of this appeal.

Thank you for your support,

Anne Scarrott

PS: Julie Rowlandson from International Aid Trust will be speaking to the Saturday Crew at their meeting on 2nd July 2022 about their most recent work in Improvised countries such as Moldova, Sierra Leone and war stricken Ukraine This will include the dispatch of a further 90 filled shoeboxes provided by St Peter's Church.

New members will be made welcome. Please continue to leave your Greetings cards in the church porch to be recycled into gift tags.



Dear Friends and Supporters,

As the devastating war in Ukraine draws on, with more atrocities every day, we want to say a heartfelt 'Thank You'.

On Friday 25th March, we had sorted, packed and dispatched, ten (yes ten!) 45ft articulated lorries of aid. More are planned as we receive more aid and funding.

Your support for our Ukraine Emergency Appeal has been overwhelming, and a tremendous encouragement to our teams, both in the UK and in Ukraine. In the past three weeks you have donated huge amounts of food, medical supplies, toiletries, clothing, and bedding. Our warehouse has welcomed over 100 volunteers, who have worked very hard sorting and packing this aid. You have also given generously of your finances and stood with us in prayer.

A special thanks to BGA Logistics for their huge help, and to all the Churches, Rotary Clubs and other groups who have hosted drop off points for aid.

Some of the lorries sent have gone to Poland, Romania, Moldova, and Hungary, where we have long established partnerships with churches and Christian organisations who are now caring for Ukrainian refugees.



(left: Aid loaded for Moldova, right: the same aid unloaded in Pastor Victor's warehouse, ready for distribution)

Some of the loads have been sent into Ukraine or to warehouses near the border, where our teams, led by our Ukraine Director Pastor Pasha, can collect provisions from. Thanks to your generosity we have also been able to send substantial funds for the team to buy food from wholesalers on the borders, and also to pay for another new van to help transporting all these supplies.

"Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up." Galatians 6:9

All the International Aid Trust staff and volunteers in Ukraine have stayed in place to continue supporting the elderly, disabled, impoverished and others not able to evacuate.

We praise God for the teams' love for Him and their love for those they serve. They are daily on the streets of beleaguered cities and other hard-hit areas; delivering food and other essentials, and giving pastoral support, despite the dangers to themselves. Pasha has driven 600 miles in the last day, delivering relief.



(Pastor Pasha, 2nd left and the team from Soborna Church, delivering food and essentials in Kyiv)

Please continue to pray with us for an end to this dreadful war, please pray for protection and strength for all our team in Ukraine and for all Christians to shine as a light in their communities in these dark times.

Thank you again for standing with the people of Ukraine, our support will be needed for the foreseeable future. We still need donations of food, medical supplies, toiletries, sleeping bags and shoes (no other bedding or clothes at this time please). We still need volunteers at the warehouse for packing, sorting, brewing tea - and any other skills you have - to help process all the wonderful donations. We continue to need financial support for the transportation of this aid. And most of all, please keep praying!

Ukraine has stood up for its right to exist in peace, and Ukraine is now turning back the invaders. Only God could have made this happen.

With love and blessings to all of you

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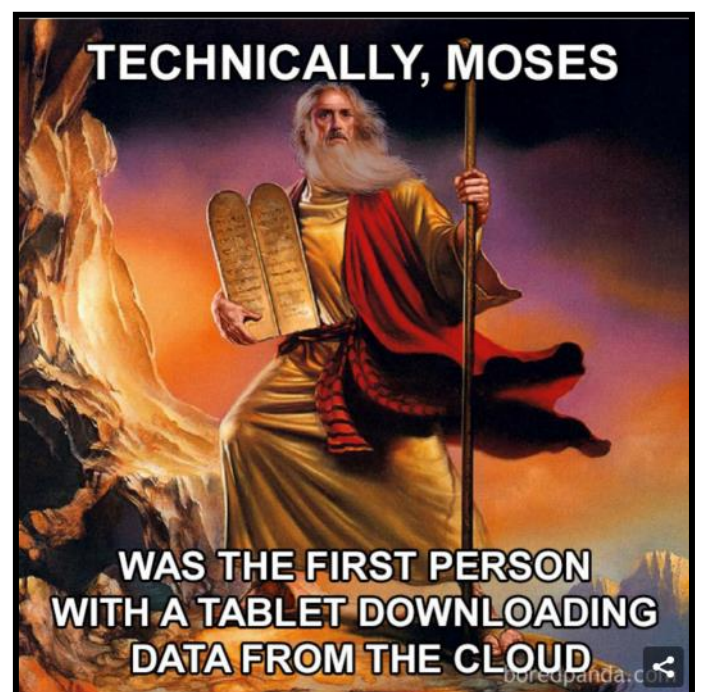
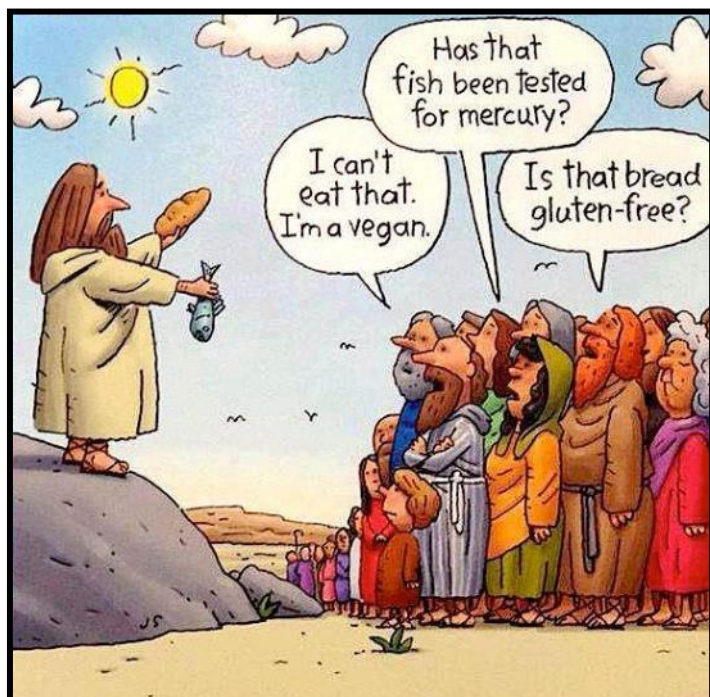
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Where was Solomon's Temple located?

On the side of his head!

Why do seagulls fly over the sea?

If they flew over the bay, they would be bagels!



Peter's Confession of Christ

"But what about you?" he asked. "Who do you say I am?" Matthew 16:15 (NIV)

Based on Matthew 16:13-20 (NIV)



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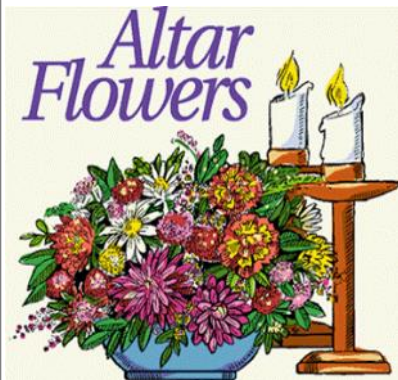
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St Peter's Church was originally "The Ancient Chapelry of Formby, St Peter Apostle and Martyr." It dates from the 12th century and was situated very close to the sea. St Peter's was part of the Parish of Walton, which is why the Rector of Walton is still our Patron. This chapel became "ruinous" and a new church, on the present site, was built in 1746 and consecrated on 19th July 1747.



From the Back Pew

Ted Woods

CHURCH MEMBERS' ALPHABET

A Arches: to be seen in church buildings, usually in the nave. Also used in church hierarchies – like, archdeacon and archbishop, but never in a knave.

B Buttresses: outside supports to prevent the church from falling down. Also used to describe those who support the church from the outside rather than as pillars inside.

C Curates: assistants to the vicar, learning on the job, excused by all.

D Deacons: a kind of first year apprenticeship after ordination and before being made a priest. They wear their stoles crossways and are not authorised to celebrate the eucharist, absolve or bless. Comes from a word meaning service.

E Eagle: usually used for the lectern. An eagle is the symbol for St John, it soars the highest and is an emblem of spiritual insight. But practically, it has wide wings on which to rest a big Bible.

F Flowers: three cheers for all who organised a fantastic Flower Festival and Art Exhibition.

G Golf: What some clergy are playing when parishioners are told they are 'away on a course'.

H Homosexuality: the big issue dividing the Anglican Communion today. Jesus said nothing about it, so what's the problem?

I Ichthus: Greek for fish. An early symbol for Christianity, used as an anagram –Jesus Christ, God's Son our Saviour.

J Jumble sales: sometimes used as fund raisers for the church. But is God only worth what we don't want anymore?

K Killjoys: What outsiders think church members are. But not in St Peter's!

L Lettuce: the emblem of prayer and preaching where you most often hear, 'Let us...'

M Mitre: a conical (comical?) hat worn by bishops to denote authority.

N Nab: what the vicar does when she's short of volunteers.

O Organ: "a cross between a synthesiser and a symphony orchestra" (David Holroyd) St Peter's organ has 1312 pipes. For a demonstration see our website under Services.

P Pantologist: knows about everything. What a vicar has to be. There's more to vicaring than praying and preaching.

Q Quick and the dead: clergy trying to cover services in multi-church parishes.

R Rotas: like roundabouts with no exits. Impossible to get off.

S Six day week: what clergy are expected to work. Conditions haven't been updated since creation.

T Tea: the fuel of the church, along with coffee. Off-duty often prefixed with G &...

U: you matter! CH..CH is not CHURCH unless U R in it!

V Volunteer: the person every vicar loves to have. The more the better!

W Wardens: Representatives of the laity and officers of the bishop in a parish. Authorised to “maintain order and decency in the church.” Supplied with wands instead of batons.

X : Love you! When bishops sign their names they put an + before them. Better to put an x after them.

Y Ye, thou hath etc.: the language of the old prayer book. Still appreciated by many today.

Z Zzzz: If a sermon puts you asleep, then it has done some good.



July's 275 Events

Sunday 3rd
Patronal Festival Service
10:00 Eucharist
Preacher: Rt Revd Kenneth Kearon
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17th July
Consecration Sunday
10:00 Eucharist
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Bishop of Warrington

Diary Dates for July 2022

JULY

Sunday 3rd Patronal Festival

8.30am Eucharist (BCP)

10.00am Patronal Festival Parish Eucharist & Sunday Club
with special preacher, Rt Rev Kenneth Kearon, Bishop of Limerick (Rtd)
followed by refreshments

6.30pm Choral Evensong

Tuesday 5th

11.00am Eucharist in Woodlands Care Home

Wednesday 6th

10.00am Refugee Welcome Day in the Parish Hall

3.00pm Confirmation Group meet in school

7.30pm Churches Together AGM in Our Lady's Meeting Room

Friday 8th

9.30am Little Fishes Pre-school Group in the Church Hall

7.00pm Anniversary Dinner in Formby Cricket Club

Sunday 10th The 4th Sunday after Trinity

8.30am Eucharist (CW)

10.00am Parish Eucharist *followed by refreshments*

6.30pm Deanery Confirmation Service with Bishop Geoff Pearson

Wednesday 13th

3.00pm W.O.W Service for pre-school children in Church

Friday 15th

9.15am Trinity St Peter's School End of Year Service

9.30am Little Fishes Pre-school Group in the Church Hall

Saturday 16th

1.00pm Wedding of Michael Ormond & Rebecca Pring

Sunday 17th Consecration Celebration Sunday

8.30am Eucharist (BCP)

10.00am Consecration Festival Eucharist –
with special preacher, Rt Rev Beverley Mason, Bishop of Warrington
followed by refreshments

6.30pm Choral Evensong

Wednesday 20th

11.00am Eucharist *followed by refreshments*

Friday 22nd

1.30pm Wedding of Neil Hanrahan & Melissa Quinn



**For further details please refer to our
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website:

Diary Dates for August 2022

AUGUST

Tuesday 2nd

11.00am Eucharist in Woodlands Care Home

Sunday 7th The 8th Sunday after Trinity

8.30am Eucharist (BCP)

10.00am Parish Eucharist *followed by refreshments*

6.30pm Choral Evensong

Sunday 14th The 9th Sunday after Trinity

8.30am Eucharist (CW)

10.00am Parish Eucharist *followed by refreshments*

6.30pm Choral Evensong

Friday 19th

12.30pm Holidays at Home Fish & Chip Lunch & the Shanty Kings
– booking required contact Form by Befriending

Sunday 21st The 10th Sunday after Trinity

8.30am Eucharist (BCP)

10.00am Parish Eucharist & Baptism *followed by refreshments*

6.30pm Service of Wholeness

Sunday 28th The 11th Sunday after Trinity

8.30am Eucharist (CW)

10.00am Parish Eucharist & Baptism *followed by refreshments*

12noon Service of Baptism

6.30pm Choral Evensong

LOOKING AHEAD

Saturday 3rd September Community Fun Day in the TSP school grounds

Sunday 11th September Pet Service at 12noon in Church

Saturday 24th September Harvest Cabaret 7.30pm in Holy Trinity

Sunday 25th September Harvest Thanksgiving Services

Wednesday Eucharist – there is a Eucharist held every
Wednesday at 11am.

Morning Prayer – there is a short service of Morning
Prayer in the Church at 9am on Monday, Tuesday,
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Saturday 3rd September

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- Refreshments



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