

Prayers by Geoff Gunshon on behalf of National and International Ministry Team

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Father, we thank you that we are your children and your ambassadors, your hands, and your feet. We thank you for the privilege of serving you. We are especially grateful for those around us who have stepped out in faith to serve you; our Mission Partners.

*Father, help us to play our **PART** in supporting our Mission Partners. We ask for your Holy Spirit to guide us in recognising our **PART** and to equip us to play that **PART** effectively.*

Father, we ask that you will continue to provide for your workers, to keep them safe, especially when they work in dangerous situations, and to encourage them as they try to bring the good news of Your Kingdom to those who haven't heard.

We pray all this in Jesus' name.

Amen

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Transforming Bolton together in Jesus' name



Welcome to St. Peter's. We are 4 churches:
St. Peter's, St. Andrew's, Barrow Bridge and Smithills Fellowship
One Parish—One Church—One Vision

Sunday 23rd April 2023

Rev. Alan writes... GETTING GOING WITH MISSION!



It's been a cracking couple of days with The Message School of Evangelism mission team. On Thursday the team were in St. Peter's Smithills Dean CE Primary and Friday in Canon Slade CE High School. The team, made up of young adults from Brazil, Peru and Germany, led inspirational and interactive lessons on the subject of identity and spoke powerful words of encouragement about our value to God. They have joined a home group session and a Friday evening pizza party with our young people and Café on the Green on Saturday. Today the team will take part in the morning services at St Peter's and Barrow Bridge. Huge thanks to their hosts and everyone who has helped make this visit such a tremendous success.

We are also underway with our Kingdom Mission morning sermon series as we consider what it means to follow Jesus' command in Matthew 28:19-20 to "go and make disciples of all nations." Keith Forrester is speaking at our 6.30pm parish-wide service at St. Peter's, continuing our journey through the boom of Philippians looking at the theme of New Confidence, Phil 3:1-9. Last Sunday Rev Roger Oldfield delivered a superb talk on New Friendships, Phil 2:19-30 which is well worth watching on our YouTube channel.



KINGDOM MISSION

- Kingdom Mission, Matthew 28:16-20
- Prayer, Colossians 4:2-6
- Work, Genesis 2:8-9, 15-22
- Witness, 1 Peter 2:9-12
- Parenting, Deuteronomy 6:4-9, 20-25
- Generosity, Luke 18:9-30
- Reconciliation, 2 Corinthians 5:11-21
- Serving, Jeremiah 29:1-14
- Justice and Mercy, Isaiah 58:1-14
- Partnership, Matthew 4:18-25

Last chance! Revision of the Electoral Roll (ER): This list of names and addresses of our church membership is renewed every 6 years. Everyone listed on the ER is eligible to attend, and vote at, our **Annual Parochial Church Meeting taking place on 21st May**. In years when the ER is not renewed, it is updated with the names of any new members and those who are no longer members are taken off. Anyone who is not already a member and wishes to be entered on the ER should fill out an application form, available from church or the Parish Office. **TODAY is the last day to submit your form before the updated ER gets published.**

Church services across the parish today:

St. Peter's Church: 8.30am Service of the Word; 10.30am Morning service with baptisms. Livestream: https://youtube.com/live/v_Oeod6IDoA; 6.30pm Worship and teaching with Communion. Livestream of reading and talk: https://youtube.com/live/YNvrW50_eK8 **Our sister churches:** 10am Smithills Fellowship (Communion); 10.30am Barrow Bridge and 10.30am St. Andrew's.

General Activities at St. Peter's Parish Centre:

Monday 24th: 10am-12noon The Coffee Room. This cafe is open to everyone; Please note, **NO Strength and Balance class today.**

Tuesday 25th: 10am-11.30am Little Wiggles. All parents and carers welcome at this group for babies and toddlers. No need to book, just turn up!; 7.30pm-9pm TREAD. Youth group for years 7+. Contact Ben on 07512 753201.

Wednesday 26th: 10am Open Door. All ladies welcome. Coffee 10am-10.20am. Mind bogglers—Peggy and Val. Contact Sandra on 846490.

Thursday 27th: 10am Aerobics. All welcome. Contact Paula on 07913 408141; 1pm-2.45pm The Well Toddler Group. Contact Parish Office on 599900).

Friday 28th: 10.30am Friday Life. Everyone welcome. Contact denis.collier@gmail.com; 8pm Stressbusters. Badminton. Everyone welcome. Contact Geoff Barlow on 561760 / 07835 388732.


Saturday 29th: 9am-12noon (age-related sessions) INTERACT School of Performing Arts. Contact Emma on 07896 724531.

General Activities at St. Andrew's (Hope Centre):

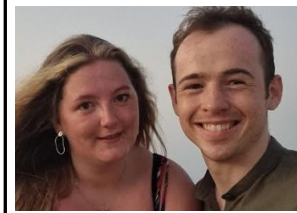
Tuesday 25th: 9.45am-11.30am TOTS Parent and Toddler Group. Contact Julie on 07835 014470 for details.

Wednesday 26th: From 9am The Hub. Drop-in session. A warm welcome awaits and friendly conversation, refreshments and fun activities.

Curry Nights coming up: Taking place at 7.30pm at Sai Spice, Valley Leisure Park, Eagley Brook Way, Bolton, BL1 8TS. Blokes Curry Night **NEXT Tuesday (25th)** - sign up by clicking this link <https://forms.office.com/r/FswTvrNH3B>. Ladies Curry Night **NEXT Wednesday (26th)** - sign up using this link: <https://forms.office.com/r/XDe3EuhWtp>. With guest speakers. Set menu £18. Contact Jonathon Moores on 07753 427329 / blokescurrynight@outlook.com ASAP.

 **PrayerZone- worship. pray. seek:** Our next session is at 8pm on Wednesday (NB: new day) 3rd May in St. Peter's Parish Centre. Please join us for an hour of dynamic prayer. *Everybody welcome.*

Baptisms: Please pray for Louie and Nola GWINNETT who are being baptised **TODAY (23rd)** in St. Peter's Church. We thank God for the gift of these children and for their parents, godparents, family and friends on this special occasion.



Wedding of Noah Mawhinney and Holly Bargh:

We are delighted to announce that this wedding took place on **Saturday 22nd April** in St. Peter's Church. *We thank God that Noah and Holly have committed their lives to each other and ask that you please keep them in your prayers as they start their married life together.*

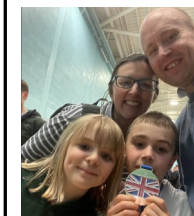
Quinta Fundraiser—'Really Awful Orchestra'* in concert: A selection of music including film and TV themes, pop favourites, light classics, Latin and jazz. **NEXT Friday (28th) at 7.30pm in St. Peter's Church.** Refreshments available. Tickets (£10) from the Parish Office, Peter on 07848 818276 or on the door on the night. **they are actually very good!*

Quinta Fundraiser—Progressive Meal: Thank you to everyone who attended this last Saturday, it was a fantastic evening which raised over **£500** for Quinta!

The Great Coronation Cake Competition: Taking place on **Sunday 7th May** in the Parish Centre **11.45am-1.30pm**, following on from Lighthouse. This is open to everyone. 1 large cake and/or up to 6 cupcakes per entry. Various age categories. Further details from Sam at sam.wolstencroft@gmail.com.

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Readers at 6.30pm service: If you would like to go on a rota to read at the 6.30pm parish-wide service in St. Peter's Church, please e-mail sam.wolstencroft@gmail.com by **Sunday 14th May**. Thank you.



Rev. Dave Brae: Dave's last services at St. Peter's will be on **Sunday 14th May**. On **Monday 5th June** he will become Priest-in-Charge of St. Chads in the parish of Patchway, Diocese of Bristol. In lieu of leaving cards and gifts, Dave has asked that you instead please make donations to **Urban Outreach** (via cash, cheques payable to St. Peters Halliwell PCC, or bank transfer to CAF St. Peter's Halliwell A/C 00030623, sort code 40-52-40, reference 'DaveBrae'). Thank you. *Please pray for Dave, Emma, James and Hannah as they prepare to start this new chapter in their lives.*

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