



# NEWSLETTER



Sunday 30th June 2024

## HEADLINES

- St Andrew's 90<sup>th</sup> – Time to Celebrate!
- St Peter's Primary – Let Your Light Shine
- Pais – Time to say Goodbye
- Open Door – New leadership as Sandra retires
- Prayer – New Ministry and Initiatives
- DTI Youth Camp – Cake Sale
- Worship Unplugged – Sun 21 July, 6.30pm
- Alpha Course – Starts September
- Barrow Bridge – 25<sup>th</sup> Celebrations

*Read on to find out more...*

### Sun 30 Jun

#### ST PETER'S CHURCH

8.30am	Morning Service
*10.30am	Worship for Everyone
*6.30pm	Parish-wide Communion service

#### SMITHILLS FELLOWSHIP

10.00am	Family Service
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#### BARROW BRIDGE MISSION

10.30am	Café Church
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#### ST ANDREW'S HOPE CENTRE

10.30am	90 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration Service
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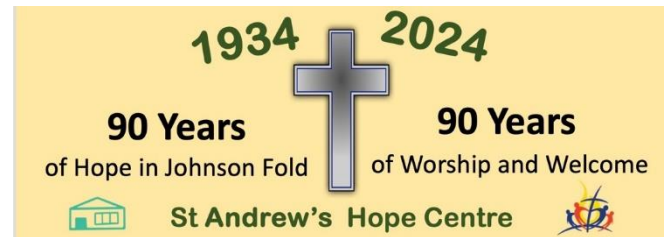
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### Rev Alan writes...

**Let Your Light Shine.** This was Jesus' instruction to his followers in the Sermon on the Mount (Matt 5:16) and I think it reflects our parish this week, especially as we celebrate 90 years of hope at St Andrew's in Johnson Fold. Everyone is invited to join the celebration, here's a reminder of what's happening:

**Sat 11am–4pm** there's an opportunity to see photographs, enjoy refreshments and a good chat, and learn about what has been going on over 90 years plus. The fabulous Johnson Fold Community School choir will perform as we open our doors at 11am.

**Sun 10.30am** there's a wonderful Celebration Service (followed by lunch) and we welcome back Canon Tony Butterworth as our special guest speaker.



### St Peter's Smithills Dean CE Primary School let its light shine at a special celebration on Fri 21 June.

Pupils, staff, governors and parent supporters were joined by staff from Manchester Diocese Board of Education and Bishop Mark Davies for a special celebration to mark the recent successful SIAMS inspection.



Headteacher Matt Harding said that two words from the inspection



report really stood out as a great source of encouragement and affirmation of the impact of Christian ethos at St Peter's: 'exceptional' and 'phenomenal'.

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Everyone gathered for a celebration assembly followed by lots of delicious cake and visits to each class by Bishop Mark. A new banner was unveiled



which will be displayed on the school railings to share news of this marvellous achievement with the whole community.

**And it's Goodbye to our Pais team.** After a year when



they have let their light shine into many children and young people's lives through their outreach

work in schools and church, we will be thanking and praying for them at St Peter's 10.30am and our parish-wide 6.30pm services this Sunday. I'll be concluding our series on the **Location of My Church** speaking on **God is the one who sent us into exile.**



**Pais Hosts Needed** Could you host a Pais team member to help keep our school's outreach going? Rev Alan is exploring opportunities for a new Pais team to join us in Sept this year. Hosting could be for a few weeks or the whole 10 months. Please contact Rev Alan or the Parish Office to find out more.

### Bolton Ironman Event

**Sun 30 June** Routes into Bolton will be restricted this day so if you are coming to St Andrew's Celebration Service or any of our other services. See <https://www.ironman.com/im703-bolton-course>

### Wedding News – Mr and Mrs Smith

Many congratulations to David Smith and Emma Beasley on their wedding at Smithills Chapel on Sat 29 June. Please keep them in your prayers as they start out in their married life together.

### PrayerZone



**Wed 3 July, 8-9pm, St Peter's Smithills Dean Primary School.**

Gather from across the parish for an hour of dynamic prayer and worship.

### Open Door

Sandra Lewis is stepping down this week after many years faithfully leading this lovely ladies' group that takes place in the Parish Centre on Wednesday



mornings. We are very thankful for her commitment and all that she has done for this group. Val Caffrey will lead this group when it re-starts in Sept. For further details contact her on 07902 167971.

**Stay Curious  
Try Alpha**

**Alpha Course**  
Starts Thu 12 Sept, 8pm-9.30pm  
Parish Centre  
Sign-up  
[amanda@stpetersparish.info](mailto:amanda@stpetersparish.info)

### Prayer Ministry in St Peter's

Prayer ministry is now available at the 8.30am and 10.30am services, the 6.30pm parish-wide service, and at our Oasis mid-week service. The members of our Prayer Ministry Team are wearing purple lanyards and can be approached at any time to be asked to pray. On occasion they will be found at the front of church at the end of the service too.



### Prayer Steering Group

St Peter's Leadership team would like to form a steering group to look at our prayer strategy for the year ahead. If you would like to be part of this group, please sign up on the clipboard at the back of church. PrayerZone will continue as our Parish-wide prayer meeting with a new start time of 7.30pm from Sept.

### Prayer for the Week

Nigel Clarke, Smithills Fellowship reminds us of 'A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another' John 13:34 **See Nigel's prayer on the back page...**

### Worship Unplugged

**Sun 21 July, 6.30pm, St Peter's Parish-Wide Service.**

Join us for another chance to relax and worship God with our talented worship leaders and musicians.

**Worship  
UNPLUGGED**

**SUN 21 JULY  
6.30PM PARISH-WIDE  
SERVICE**



## Dreaming the Impossible Summer Camp

### Sponsored Cake Sale



**7TH  
JULY  
2024**

**SCAN ME  
TO DONATE**



Our Young People & Youth Leaders from Christ Church Pennington & St Peter's Parish are nearly there but we still need your help to raise money for our trip to Dreaming The Impossible (DTI)

We'll be selling cakes at **ALL OF OUR CHURCH SERVICES** on 7<sup>th</sup> July 2024 so if you are able to bake cakes for this great cause then please contact

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**WE LOOK FORWARD TO  
SEEING YOU THERE!**

If you haven't contributed yet and would like to do so online, please visit: [cafdonate.cafonline.org/25839](https://cafdonate.cafonline.org/25839)

## Barrow Bridge 25th Anniversary

**Fri 12, Sat 13 and Sun 14 July** A celebration of 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of its new building! Here's what's happening:

**Fri 12 July 7pm** History tour of Barrow Bridge Village followed by refreshments at the Mission.

**Sat 13 July, 1-4pm** History exhibition of Barrow Bridge Village and Moss Bank in partnership with Halliwell Local History Society, refreshments available.

**Sun 14 July, 10.30am** Special celebration service.

## Good News for Romania School Visit

Dave and Kath say:

'Thanks everyone for your love, prayers and support during our time in Romania. It's been a challenging but successful trip. Can

anyone please accommodate 2 boys who are part of the group coming to Bolton 11-16 July for an educational visit as their original hosts had to cancel because of illness? Please contact 07903 546008. Thank you.'



## Looking Forward

### Out and About Walk

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

All welcome for a 6 to 7 mile moderate walk through Beacon Fell and the River Brock. Bring a packed lunch. Info: Dave Moffoot on 07767 055967

### 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)

### Bolton Repair Cafe

**Wed 17 July, 10.30am-12.30pm, St Andrew's (Hope Centre)** Bring items for repair, and stay for delicious coffee and cake.

### Dementia Friendship Support Group

**Thu 18 July, meet 2pm at Moss Bank Park Cafe** A group for those with dementia *and* their carers. Join us for tea/coffee and cake, a quiz, possibly a walk in the park and a very warm welcome. Info [joan@stpetersparish.info](mailto:joan@stpetersparish.info) /01204 840180

**Barrow Bridge Mission**  
**25th Anniversary**  
rebuild celebration weekend

The heart of the village

1999 - to - 2024

Fri 12th, 7pm & Sat 13th, 10:45am village history tour  
Sat 13th, 1-4pm history exhibition  
Sun 14th, 10:30am celebration service  
- events open to everyone! -

Contact: [barrowbridge@stpetersparish.info](mailto:barrowbridge@stpetersparish.info)  
or facebook: St Peter's Halliwell

## PRAYER from Nigel Clarke on behalf of Smithills Fellowship

Merciful God

In this week ahead, open our hearts to the needs of those around us. Let us be vessels of Your love, showing compassion to those who are hurting, lending a listening ear to those who need to be heard, and offering a helping hand to those in need. Help us to see others through Your eyes, recognising the inherent worth and dignity in every person. May our actions and words be a testament to Your boundless love, and may we strive to love unconditionally, just as You love us. We ask it all in and through the precious name of our Lord Jesus.

Amen

## Coming up this week

Date & Times	Activity	Details	Location
<b>Mon 1 July</b>			
9.30am-12noon 10am-12noon 6pm-7.30pm	Age UK's Strength & Balance Class Coffee Room Weight Management Programme	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	Parish Centre
<b>Tues 2 July</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 Children's Club Tread Youth Group	Suzi 07834 371509 <a href="mailto:ignite@stpetersparish.info">ignite@stpetersparish.info</a> Ben 07512 753201	Parish Centre
<b>Weds 3 July</b>			
10am-11.30am 8pm-9.30pm	Open Door Ladies Group Alpha Course	NB: No session, meal out today <a href="mailto:office@stpetersparish.info">office@stpetersparish.info</a>	Parish Centre
8pm-9pm	PrayerZone	Dynamic prayer and worship for all the parish	St Peter's School
9am-1pm	Hope at the Hub	Drop-in community session	St Andrew's
<b>Thurs 4 July</b>			
10.30am-12noon	Oasis Coffee Morning and Service	Refreshments from 10.30am, service 11.30am	St Peter's
8pm-9.30pm	Life Group	<a href="mailto:office@stpetersparish.info">office@stpetersparish.info</a>	Parish Centre
<b>Fri 5 July</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
<b>Sat 6 July</b>			
9am-12pm	INTERACT Performing Arts Group	Lucy/Emma 07896 724531	St Peter's

## Keep Connected

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**CAP Debt Centre Manager:** Sam Wolstencroft E: [samwolstencroft@capuk.org](mailto:samwolstencroft@capuk.org) / M: 07934 716509

**Caretaker:** David Park E: [david@stpetersparish.info](mailto:david@stpetersparish.info)

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