

Prayers by Phil and Elaine Weaver, National & International Ministries



As the world continues to erupt into chaos it is important we remember our Lord and Saviour and His great love for all his people....

Heavenly Father let your great love calm our anger, ease our sorrow and give peace to your Church, peace among nations, peace in our homes, and peace in our hearts through Jesus our Saviour. We need your peace and truth to soothe our hearts and spirits right now. When needs and worries can feel overwhelming, remind us how vast and constant is your love for us, of its healing power and grace. We thank you that you have set us free and that you are bigger than anything we face in this life. We ask for your mighty power to surround us as we lay our burdens before you, every single one, for we know they're much safer in your hands than our own.

Father, we want to live a life of obedience to you, make us instruments of your peace, help us to love even our enemies. Give us the strength to wage peace when what we really want to do is wage war. Today, we choose to surrender our stubborn will to you, laying down our emotional weapons and choosing peace, asking you be glorified in our relationships.

Give us, Lord God, a vision of your world as your love and peace would have it, a world where the weak are protected and none go hungry. A world where the riches of your creation are shared, and everyone can enjoy them, where different races and cultures live in harmony and mutual respect. Above all a world where peace is built with justice, and justice is guided by love. Give us the inspiration and courage to build it, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

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HALLIWELL, BOLTON
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 28th January 2024

Rev. Alan writes...We Stand on Holy Ground! This week I am writing to invite you all to support a fundraising appeal for a new carpet for our parish church at St. Peter's. Anyone who has visited recently will no doubt have noticed how worn and tatty the carpet has become, which isn't surprising considering it is over 30-years old! The good news is we have gained planning permission, the PCC has selected a nice blue shade of carpet tile which is specially designed to allow wooden floors to breathe in old buildings, and the plan is to fit the new carpet tiles in early March.

The budget is £24,000 and we need to purchase 1,700 tiles, which equates to approximately £15 per tile. So, in true Blue Peter style, we've designed a 'Carpet-O-Meter' with 1,700 squares to allow us to track progress over the coming weeks. We can all help by purchasing a carpet tile or a number of tiles. One tile costs £15 and a square metre of 4 tiles costs £60. Here are the ways you can give:



St. Peter's Church
Carpet-O-Meter

HOW CAN WE ALL HELP?

- ❖ Give online: www.stpetersparish.info/carpet
- ❖ Give 'on the plate', or at the Parish Office
- ❖ Use an envelope marked "NEW CARPET" cheques payable to 'St Peter's Halliwell'
- ❖ By BACS transfer
Details on the notice sheet and website

£15 per single tile / £60 per square metre

Here is the online link: www.stpetersparish.info/carpet. For BACS transfers (Ref: "Carpet") use 'St. Peters Church Halliwell PCC', Sort Code 16-00-06, Account No. 16734849. Please advise finance@stpetersparish.info if we can claim Gift Aid on your donation. *So, please have a think and pray, and consider how you could contribute to making our Parish Church more welcoming and enjoyable to meet in. If each of us contributes a little we will, together, cover the cost. Thank you so much!*

Parish Services TODAY: St. Peter's Church: 8.30am Service of the Word; **10.30am** Morning service. Livestream: <https://youtube.com/live/vCRLXYnviU>; **6.30pm** Worship and teaching with Communion. Livestream of reading and talk: <https://youtube.com/live/Lf9mrHQWczU>. **Sister churches: 10am** Smithills Fellowship (Baptism); **10.30am** Barrow Bridge ; **10.30am** St. Andrew's.

Midweek service on Thursday 1st in St. Peter's Church: Refreshments from 10.30am. **Service from 11.30am-12noon.**



Regular Activities at St. Peter's Parish Centre: Everybody welcome.

Monday 29th: 10am-12noon The Coffee Room; **9.30am-10.30am/11am-12noon** Strength and Balance class. FULL. Contact 599900/amanda@stpetersparish.info;

Tuesday 30th: 10am-11.30am Little Wiggles. Contact Suzi on 07834 371509; **7.30pm -9pm** TREAD. Years 7+. Contact Ben on 07512 753201

Wednesday 31st: 10am-11.30am Open Door. Bible Discussion—Rev. Alan Saunders. Contact Sandra on 846490; **8pm-9.30pm** Alpha Course.

Thursday 1st February: 10am Aerobics. All welcome. Contact Paula on 07913 408141; **8pm-9.30pm** Life Group.

Friday 2nd: 10am-12noon Watercolour Classes. Contact Lucinda on 07977 821119; **10.30am** Friday Life. Contact denis.collier@gmail.com; **8pm** Stressbusters. Badminton. Contact Geoff on 561760 / 07835 388732

Saturday 3rd: 9am-12noon (age-related sessions) INTERACT School of Performing Arts. Contact Emma on 07896 724531

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

Tuesday 30th: 9.45am-11.30am TOTS Parent and Toddler Group. Contact Julie on 07835 014470 for details.



Wednesday 31st: From 9am The Hub. Drop-in session. A warm welcome, friendly conversation, refreshments and fun activities;



Out and About Walk: All welcome **NEXT Saturday, 3rd February.** Worden Park to Euxton – 7 miles. Meet at 9.30am opposite St. Peters Church. Bring a packed lunch.

parish share



Parish Share: Thank you so much to those who contributed towards the parish share appeal late last year. **We raised over £5400 + gift aid.** As a result of your generosity, the PCC has been able to pay the Diocese £110,000 as planned.

Baptism Today: Please pray for the baptism of **Ava CHEETHAM** at Smithills Fellowship today (28th). We thank God for the gift of this child and for her parents, godparents, family and friends on this special occasion.



Women's Ministry Social: Taking place on **Thursday 8th February, 7pm-9pm** in



the Parish Centre. All welcome so come alone or with friends for an evening of tea, tasty treats and testimonies—it really is so powerful to hear one another's stories of connecting with God. We'd love to see you there! More details from katie.leaver@hotmail.co.uk.

Breakfast for Blokes on Tour: Taking place on **Saturday 17th February from 8.30am-11am** in the Parish Centre. Free entry but donations (recommended £3.50) appreciated. To book, text 07840 741573 / email bob.fraser@cvm.org.uk.

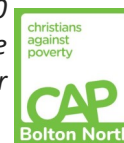


Good News for Romania: A GNfR Quiz Night will take place on **Friday 1st March at**



7.30pm at The Victory Reform Club, BL1 4JA with Quizmaster Dave Moffoot. Tickets £8.50 (incl potato pie and pea supper) from Kath Richardson on 841906/ 07903 546008. The next GNfR Coffee Morning is on **Saturday 9th March, 10am-12noon** at the Parish Centre.

CAP Easter Eggs: Our CAP Centre Manager, Sam, says *'We would like to give our clients an Easter Egg from the Meaningful Chocolate Co which are Fairtrade and include the Easter story. We'll buy these in bulk (£4.50 each) but would appreciate any contributions to Sam or the Parish Office. Thank you!'*



Café on the Green: Taking place **NEXT Saturday, 3rd February from 9.30am-2pm** in St. Peter's Primary School



(Limefield Road, BL1 6LA). All welcome so please do join us for delicious food and good company.

Celebrate the Power of Connection



Unplugged Worship Coming Up:

Taking place **NEXT Sunday, 4th February at 6.30pm**, the parish-wide service at St. Peter's will be a special service of worship and testimonies led by some of our talented worship leaders. Please do join us if you can—everybody welcome.