

Prayers by Geoff Gunshon, National and International Ministry Team

Kathmandu International Study Centre (KISC)

KISC is a Christian school based in Kathmandu, Nepal. It is run by Craig and Elaine Watson. **KISC** teaches at the primary and secondary level. It also works with teachers to equip them in latest and best practices.

KISC, as with all Christian enterprises, needs prayer support. So, today we are going to lift **KISC** to God through our prayers.

Father, we thank you for the obedience of Craig and Elaine to your calling.

Father, we ask that, through your Holy Spirit, you will guide, encourage, and equip Craig, Elaine and all the staff at **KISC**. We pray that the school will be successful in recruiting the staff they need to continue to provide a first-class education for their students.

Father, we lift to you all the students at **KISC**. We pray that you would bless them and that they would feel your presence in their lives. We also pray that **KISC** will be a blessing to Kathmandu and Nepal in general.

We pray all this in Jesus' name. Amen



Please pray for: (no names at present). E-mail office@stpetersparish.info if you want your name to appear on this list as consent must be given by the individual concerned.

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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 25th June 2023

Rev. Alan writes... This Sunday we launch an exciting new summer sermon series for our morning services across the parish called **Old Testament Heroes**. We will take a snapshot view of the life of each Hero to help us consider any of their character traits that God may want to develop in us as His children. The theme of this series is simple: God seeks to stretch us to go beyond our comfort zone so He can grow our character.



In the Boat with Noah, Genesis 6:9-22
Joshua Stepping into Big Shoes, Joshua 3
Deborah, Step Up or Step Aside, Judges 4
Gideon, Hail Mighty Warrior, Judges 7
Samson, A Warning for Strong Christians, Judges 16:4-27
Ruth, How much do you Love your Mother-in-Law?, Ruth 1:1-18
Samuel, Listening for God's Voice, 1Samuel 3:1-19
Elijah, Fire on the Mountain, 1Kings 18:16-46
Daniel, When Life Really Heats Up, Daniel 6:4-24
Jonah, Running Against the Wind, Jonah 1

On Sunday evening at our parish-wide 6.30pm service at St. Peter's we welcome a special guest, Rev. Steven Tranter from St Luke's Halliwell, who will continue our **Building a People of Faith** sermon series looking at the theme of **People of Faith** from Acts 19:1-20. I hope to see you there!

Can you help?: Some wonderful volunteers turned up last Saturday to do a tidy up of the Parish Centre grounds—they did a brilliant job, a big thank you to all who came! We now need 2 more working parties to do a general tidy of our grounds at St. Peter's Church, from **9:30am-12:30pm on Saturdays 1st July and 22nd July**. This may involve activities such as pruning bushes, creating attractive borders and resurfacing pathways. If you are available and willing to assist, please email wardens@stpetersparish.info or phone the Parish Office on 599900. Thank you.



Out and About Walk: **NEXT Saturday, 1st July** at Blackstone Edge in the Pennine hills. Lovely views and natural beauty. Meet outside St Peter's Church at 9.30am. All welcome. *Please note, there will be no Out and About walk in August.* Contact Jane for more info - 07472 926650/janeheath@heathnet.plus.com.

Church services across the parish today:

St. Peter's Church: 8.30am Service of the Word; 10.30am Morning service. Livestream: <https://youtube.com/live/ToR2Fjey-M>; 6.30pm Worship and teaching with Communion. Livestream of reading and talk: https://youtube.com/live/tKNLDQ_VtWo; **Our sister churches:** 10am Smithills Fellowship; 10.30am Barrow Bridge and 10.30am St. Andrew's.

General Activities at St. Peter's Parish Centre:

Monday 26th: 10am-12noon The Coffee Room. This cafe is open to everyone; 9.30am-10.30am/11am-12noon Strength and Balance class. These classes are FULL. To go on the waiting list, contact 599900/amanda@stpetersparish.info;
Tuesday 27th: 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 28th: 10am Open Door. All ladies welcome. Coffee 10am-10.20am. 'Golden Oldies' - Denis Collier. Contact Sandra on 846490.
Thursday 29th: 10am Aerobics. All welcome. Contact Paula on 07913 408141; 1pm-2.45pm The Well Toddler Group. Contact Parish Office on 599900;
Friday 30th: 10.30am Friday Life. Everyone welcome. Contact denis.collier@gmail.com; 8pm Stressbusters. Badminton. Everyone welcome. Contact Geoff Barlow on 561760 / 07835 388732.
Saturday 1st July: 9am-12noon (age-related sessions) INTERACT School of Performing Arts. Contact Emma on 07896 724531

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

Tuesday 27th: 9.45am-11.30am TOTS Parent and Toddler Group. Contact Julie on 07835 014470 for details.

Wednesday 28th: From 9am The Hub. Drop-in session. A warm welcome awaits and friendly conversation, refreshments and fun activities.



Good News for Romania Fundraiser: On Friday 14th and Saturday 15th July at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre there will be a performance of the hilarious one act play 'A Man of Letters' starring our very own Ben Latham! Book your tickets now! Tickets £10 (incl. refreshments and a potato pie supper, vegetarian option available on request) are available from the Parish Office on 599900 or Ben 07512 753201 or book them direct at <http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/gnfr/e-rzmgqa>



Would you like to join a parish-wide group booking for Spring Harvest at Butlins Skegness 1st - 5th April 2024?:

It is a holiday packed full of inspiration, a safe space to find Spiritual refreshment, hear God's voice and be inspired to make a difference. With a brilliant team of Speakers and Worship Leaders, they'll be exploring the 2024 theme: 'Up and Alive – Living the life we are made for'. On the Lincolnshire Coast, Butlins Skegness is a great venue to for all the family to reconnect with God and each other. In addition to the Spring Harvest programmes for all ages, there's loads to do including laser tag, bowling, arts and crafts and, of course, the huge Splash Waterworld. Contact our Group Organiser, Ruth Saunders, at springharvest@stpetersparish.info for info and a booking form or for more details visit: www.springharvest.org. Early Bird booking discount ends 31st July 2023.

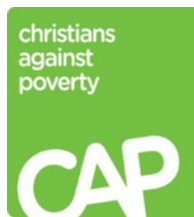


Do Lunch, Do Life: Taking place from 11.45am (following straight after Lighthouse) in the Parish Centre NEXT Sunday, 2nd July. All are welcome to join us



for bacon butties, brews and cake with all donations going towards taking our young people to the Dreaming the Impossible (DTI) Christian festival this summer. Please let Janette know ASAP if you can help on the day or bake a cake! janette.daeth@gmail.com / 07982 035706. Thank you.

Prayer Needed: Our CAP Centre manager, Sam, asks us to pray for CAP nationally and our clients. CAP HQ are really struggling under the weight of cases and this means clients are waiting over a month to hear their debt solution. Holiday season exacerbates the problem. Pray for wisdom for the leaders at HQ and also our clients, especially those struggling in addiction and the hopelessness that brings. Pray they will be open to the God of all Hope. Thank you.



Farewell to Layfetta and family: Rev. Layfetta Masih is being licensed as vicar in the Gower Ministry area of Swansea, Wales on Sunday 30th July. All are invited to come and say farewell to Layfetta, Nabeel (one of our worship leaders) and the family at 3pm TODAY (25th) at St. Catherine's Church, Highfield Road, Farnworth. Followed by refreshments and fellowship.



A Big Thank You: Christine Cocker would like to thank those who prayed, sent cards and flowers, made meals and gave lifts and for all the other acts of love shown to her and Norman during her recent op and continuing recovery.