

	THIS WEEK	NEXT WEEK
	<b>Easter 4</b> 26th April	<b>Easter 5</b> 3rd May
<b>11.00am</b>	Parish Eucharist	<b>10.30am</b> Benefice Confirmation & Eucharist at St Stephen's
<b>Celebrant</b>	Fr Andrew	Bishop Joe
<b>Readings</b>	Acts 2.42-end John 10.1-10	Acts 7.55-end John 14.1-14
<b>Reader</b>	Eric Massie	
<b>Prayers</b>	Adrian Norris	
<b>Wednesday</b>	10.30am Midweek Eucharist	10.30am Midweek Eucharist 1.30pm Welcome on Wednesday
<b>Thursday</b>	10.00am Thursday Chat	10.00am Thursday Chat 11.00am Lunch Club
<b>Saturday</b>	11.00am Morning Concert	

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### VISITOR INFORMATION

We are here to welcome everyone and we want to help those who have dementia to feel safe and help them to worship with us.

**Hearing loop:** If you are wearing a hearing aid, turn the control to T.

If you wish to make a donation to St Peter's and you are a taxpayer, please remember that donations can be "gift aided" by completing one of the envelopes available by the door.

Should the fire alarm sound whenever you are in church this will be for real. You should immediately leave church by either the main door, the fire door on the north side or through the choir vestry and await further instructions by the war memorial. Church members who are responsible for the event should supervise the evacuation.



**Please hold in your prayers:** Diana Harris, Heather Slater, John Binns, Neville Artingstall, Graham Lawson, Karen Hardisty, Malcolm Maciver, Jacqueline Flood, Barbara Marshall, Jane Chamberlain, Julie Wilson, Joanne Creighton.

**Memorial book:** Sarah Ann Layfield, Alice Bridge, Jennifer Hutchinson, Ethel Partington, Tom Lund, Margaret Sephton Francis, Vera Whitehead.



**St Peter's Church**  
**Burnley**  
**Easter 4**  
**26th April 2026**



**Next Sunday** there will be no service at St Peter's as we are at St Stephen's for the Benefice Confirmation & Eucharist service at 10.30am with Bishop Joe. Please come along and support the candidates.

**Midweek Eucharist** Join us on Wednesday for midweek communion at 10.30am.

**Confirmation preparation** continues at St Stephen's on Wednesday for both young people and adults at 4.30pm, finishing after Family Mass at 6.00pm. Confirmation with Bishop Joe will be a Benefice service at St Stephen's on Sunday 3rd May at 10.30am.

**Thursday Chat** Come and join us for our weekly friendship and discussion group on Thursday at 10.00am. Church open from 9.30am.

**Saturday Morning Concerts** In a change to the advertised programme, the next concert features Paul Greenhalgh (piano) performing music by Beethoven, Chopin and Debussy on 2nd May at 11.00am. Admission is £7 and includes tea/coffee and biscuits served from 10.30am. The schoolyard will be open for parking, with disabled parking in the churchyard.

**Halsted Sermon** The sermon will be preached by Fr Andrew on Sunday 10 May 2026 at the morning service rather than on the first Sunday in May. This is because there is a joint service of confirmation at St Stephen's Church on 3 May 2026.

**Annual Parish Meeting** The annual meeting for the church will take place on **Sunday 17 May 2026**. It will begin after coffee around 12.15pm and is usually over within an hour. This is always an important meeting. Please try to attend.

**St Peter's Church of England School** There will shortly be a vacancy for a new governor of the school to be appointed by the PCC. This is an opportunity to play an important part in the life of the school. If you are interested or would like further information, please speak to the Rector.

**We are collecting** milk carton caps to use at the half-term children's workshop on the 28th May and would be grateful for as many as possible. Thank you.

**Readings and Prayers  
for this week**

**Collect**

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life: raise us, who trust in him, from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, that we may seek those things which are above, where he reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Amen**

**Reading: Acts 2.42-end**

**42** They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

**43** Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. **44** All who believed were together and had all things in common; **45** they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. **46** Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, **47** praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to

their number those who were being saved.

**Gospel: John 10.1-10**

**10** 'Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. **2** The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. **3** The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. **4** When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. **5** They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.' **6** Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

**7** So again Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. **8** All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. **9** I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. **10** The thief comes only to steal and kill

and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.

### **Post Communion**

Merciful Father, you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd, and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again: keep us always under his protection, and give us grace to follow in his steps; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

### **Centenary Prayer**

Heavenly Father, in our Centenary year we rededicate ourselves and our Diocese to you. Send the Holy Spirit to give us confidence in our witness, generosity in our service, and love for our neighbours, that your Church may be renewed and many come home to you, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen**

### **Today's Hymns**

**282** How sweet the name of  
Jesus sounds

**238** Great is thy faithfulness

**432** Loving Shepherd of thy  
sheep

**48** At the name of Jesus

### **Electoral Roll**

The electoral roll contains the names of those entitled to vote at the APM. We are required to review the list, and the review will take place on 26/27 April 2026. If you are baptised, over 16 and have attended this church for 6 months or more, then you can apply to join the roll. **If your name is already on the roll, you do not need to take any action.** There are forms at the back of church. Please complete and return to Jim Davies our Electoral Roll Officer.

### **PCC members**

There will be a number of vacancies on the PCC to be filled by election at the APM. The PCC is the decision making body within our church and it is important we have full membership. It meets four times each year on a Monday evening. If you are interested in membership, please speak to one of the church wardens or to the PCC Secretary. Nomination forms available at the back of church.