

**December 2023
January 2024**



**The Magazine for the Parish Church
of St. Peter, Cleethorpes
www.stpeterscleethorpes.org.uk**

Mission Statement

St Peter's: a beacon to the local community of Cleethorpes, reflecting the light of Christ as a place of welcome, prayer and healing, and in the darkest street shineth the everlasting light.

Contacts

Clergy

Rector—in Vacancy (Parish Office) 01472 231198

Rev. Derek H Webster 01472 693786

Honorary Assistant Priest

Church Wardens

Chris Caroline 01472 699045

Email chriscaroline@talktalk.net

Andrew Longbottom 07775 774055

Email andrewlongbottom9@gmail.com

Parish Office

Parish Administrator - Tina Dixon 01472 231198

Email admin@stpeterscleethorpes.org.uk

Mothers' Union

Heather Hammond 01472 695341

Church Flowers

Jenny Horsfall 01472 691722

Safeguarding Co-ordinator

Kate Esmond 07880 555344

Email kate.esmond@ntlworld.com



A Letter from our Churchwardens

Dear Friends

As we write, we stand at the threshold of Advent, a time for reflection and penitence. As we look back on the year just gone, let us rejoice in the good things and ask forgiveness for the times when we have fallen short. Also let us look forward with expectancy as we begin a New Year in the life of the church, a time to look forward to all that is to come and an opportunity for new beginnings. Let us use this time to prepare ourselves to celebrate the coming of Christ into the world.

At Christmas, let us give thanks for the birth of the babe at Bethlehem bringing light and hope into the world, a very different world now from the one that our Lord knew. May we appreciate all that we have and look with compassion on those throughout the world for whom this will be a difficult time in whatever way. Let us pray for the Light of Christ to Shine in their darkness and bring them hope for their future.

Next comes the chronological New Year, another opportunity for new beginnings. Can we keep those resolutions we will make!!?

Hope for our Parish. We are to be a 'Hub Church' in the plans for the future of the church in North East Lincolnshire. There will be a priest based in Taylors Avenue and the process for this has already begun so 'watch this space'. We have a strong foundation here at St. Peter's on which to build growth and innovation.

The Churchwardens and PCC wish all our readers a very happy, holy and blessed Christmas and a happy, healthy and hopeful New Year.

Chris Caroline

Andrew Longbottom

Churchwardens

Saints 13s in rich vein of form

It has been a quiet month for Saints. The team that has played have been the traditional jewel in the crown of the Saints' teams; the u13s. These guys have continued to impress since the last time I wrote.

The first match was a well fought 3-0 victory over Titans Vikings. The first half was a free lesson for any spectator at how to defend. Both teams were spectacular at cutting out each other's attack. Both keepers made some saves but the outfield players really deserve credit for their endless hard work. The second half was a slightly different story. Saints took the lead, New Stan won the ball on the half way line and ran through on goal before calmly slotting the ball into the bottom corner. Stan then got a second before Big Stan ended all hope of a Viking comeback.



Our other win was a perfect 6-0 victory over Sidney. The lads controlled the ball from the first whistle patiently passing and waiting for an opening. This time it was Yates who opened the scoring with a well struck effort from the edge of the box. Big Stan then got himself 2 goals, both well struck efforts from distance (He never scores simple ones!) Marls, Ashton and Little Stan all got themselves on the scoresheet. The pick of those goals was Marls. Fin rolled the ball short for Stanley who got his head up to spot the forward run of Marls. The ball from Stan was brilliant but Marls still had plenty to do. His touch made his job easy, he brought the ball down well before rocketing it into the roof of the net – very little the keeper could do and believe me he'd had a fantastic match.



Oliver Kerry

The Rt Rev Stephen Conway was formally installed as Bishop of Lincoln in Lincoln Cathedral on 11 November. He is the city's 73rd bishop. During the ceremony, which was performed by the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Bishops of Grimsby and Grantham anointed the Bishop of Lincoln's hands.

Remembrance Sunday at St Peter's



On Remembrance Sunday, Revd Nick Nawrockyi, Assistant Archdeacon of North East Lincolnshire, officiated at a civil service in church, followed by the Remembrance Service at the war memorial. More photos are on [our church website](#).

BETTLES, MILES & HOLLAND

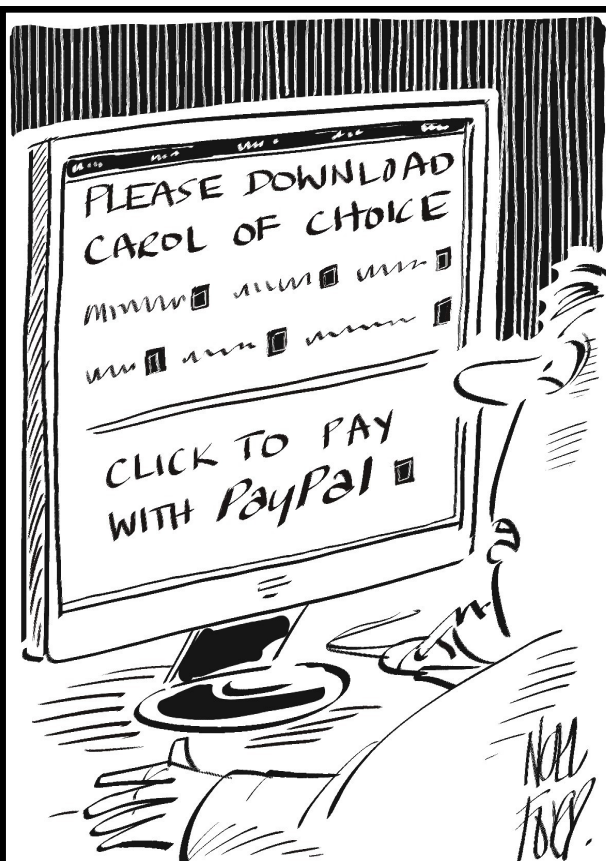
Estate Agents and Valuers
Sales & Lettings



Can we offer you a free
valuation?

01472 698698

15 Sea View Street, Cleethorpes
www.bmhestateagents.com



We've got online carol-singers again!



Mashfords FUNERAL SERVICE

Golden Charter
Funeral Plans

Norfolk Lane, Cleethorpes DN35 8BB

Telephone **(01472) 200004**

email: mashford@btconnect.com

A truly caring independent and long established family
owned business providing a personal service



Help and guidance always available
24 hours a day by a member of our
professional staff



Pre-Paid Funeral Plans can be arranged

Partners: J. R. SCHOFIELD & C.A. WESTWOOD

7 December: Christmas Jumper Day, but you can take part any day you want!

Christmas Jumper Day is Save the Children's annual event which raises money for the children who need it most. Every December, millions of people across the United Kingdom (and beyond!) put on festive knitwear at their workplace, school or with friends and make a donation to help give children the magical future they deserve.

Christmas Jumper Day has raised over £35 million for children in the UK and around the world since it began in 2012!

In 2022, £5 million was raised, including £2 million of match funding from the UK government when over 2 million school children and 24,000 workplaces took part in Christmas Jumper Day.



**



Music Appreciation in St Peter's Hall.



Over the year we have followed the "History of Western 'classical' Music", from January (Medieval period) to November (Early Twentieth Century). So many wonderful items have, naturally, been left out. With this in mind, it is proposed that 2024 sees us take steps through the growth once more but this time we will move through the development each month, fitting in an item from each era at every meeting.

To wind up this year, on December 19th in the hall from 2 - 4pm we will take seasonal music to celebrate Christmas, listening to items from period to period, including 15th century: 'There is no rose of such virtue', 16th. century : 'In Dulci Jubilo' - through to 19th century Berlioz, 'The Shepherds' Farewell' from 'L'enfance du Christ' and 20th century Vaughan Williams 'Fantasia on Christmas Carols'.

Please come and join us, have tea/coffee in the interval and enjoy fellowship with others having similar tastes in music, all for £1 towards the Hall's upkeep.

Leslie Watchorn



The next Parish Magazine is the February 2024 issue. We hope to publish both in print and electronically. If you have any articles or news please submit these to the editors either by email or via the Parish Office by 15 January. We always welcome contributions from our readers! Thank you.

The magazine editors are Kate Esmond and Joan Johnson. Copy can be emailed to kate.esmond@ntlworld.com, kateesmond@stpeterscleethorpes.org.uk, or joanjohnson@stpeterscleethorpes.org.uk or can be left at the Parish Office.

COMLEY CAMERAS

*Photographic and
Digital Specialists*

Picture Perfect Prices



7 St Peter's Avenue
Cleethorpes
DN35 8HQ

Tel: 01472 692082

sales@comleycameras.net

www.comleycameras.net

Angie & Joan



Songs from the 50s and 60s
Afternoon or Evening
Not too loud
Grimsby 340697

A prayer for lasting peace in Gaza and Israel

Archbishop Hosam Naoum of Jerusalem has offered the following prayer which is commended for use through the Diocese .

O God of all justice and peace,

we cry out to you in the midst of the pain and trauma of violence and fear which prevails in the Holy Land.

Be with those who need you in these days of suffering; we pray for people of all faiths – Jews, Muslims and Christians and for all people of the land.

While we pray to you, O Lord, for an end to violence and the establishment of peace, we also call for you to bring justice and equity to the peoples. Guide us into your kingdom where all people are treated with dignity and honour as your children – for to all of us you are our Heavenly Father.

In Jesus' name we pray,

Amen

The Light of the World



During the month of December, people are 'counting down' to Christmas Day in an ever- increasing variety of ways.

In my childhood we had a simple card with a traditional picture of a manger scene with doors marked with the countdown numbers and a picture of the different characters behind each. If my parents had extra money to spend, they would buy one with shiny snow made of sparkles!

These days you can pay hundreds to have a gift for each day from toys to jewellery. And don't fret, your pets can have their own also!

Churches don't normally count the days, but they do note the four Sundays before Christmas Day. They give each of those four 'advent' Sundays a theme and light a candle each time. One for the first week, two for the second and so on.

Unlike the secular world, the church counts up, and not down. It increases the light as we get nearer to Christmas Day and then adds an extra light on that day. So, a total of five candles.

Churches vary in their use of colour in the candles. Some will use all white, whilst many only use white for the Christ-light on Christmas Day and 'colours' on the four Sundays.

There again they vary; some use all purple – originally the most expensive colour – as we prepare for The King. In a more modern style, some use blue – perhaps recalling the most associated colour for Jesus' mother Mary. But perhaps reminding us of creation and that we are surrounded by God's love as the earth is surrounded by the blue sky.

And again, others will change the colours for each Sunday, often giving the third Sunday to be pink as we are over half-way through Advent and it is known as *Gaudate* – Joyful – Sunday. Or there are those who make the fourth Sunday pink, as that one is often dedicated to Mary and it's a 'girly' colour.

by the Revd Jo White

Where did Christmas cards come from?

Christmas cards have a history which may surprise you: their origins are not of the Church, but of the Post Office and railways.

Of course, very early 'Christmas cards' had been around for hundreds of years, in the form of a simple exchange of Christmas greetings in private letters. The earliest such letter on record was written in England in 1534. In 1611 a HUGE Christmas card made a one-off appearance. It measured a whopping 33 by 24 inches, and was given to King James I of England (who was also King James VI of Scotland). It featured an illustration of a rose, four poems, a song, and a Christmas message for the king and his son.

Then in 1843 came the creation of Christmas cards as we know them today. One enterprising man was responsible for this: Sir Henry Cole, a senior civil servant who had helped launch the 'Public Record Office', now called the Post Office. Sir Henry Cole helped to introduce the Penny Post, as it was called. Until then, only rich people could afford the Post, but with the building of the railways, which carried far more packages than a horse and cart (and went much faster), suddenly the Penny Post became possible.

Sir Henry wanted to encourage 'ordinary' people to use the new service. So he came up with the bright idea of a creating a simple card that people could send each other for Christmas. His friend, John Horsley, was an artist, who designed a three-panel card. Two panels depicted people caring for the poor, and the middle panel showed a family enjoying a large Christmas dinner. They printed about 1000 cards that first year, and advertised under the slogan: 'Just published, a Christmas Congratulations Card; or picture emblematical of old English festivity to perpetuate kind recollections between dear friends!' The cards sold for one shilling each and could be posted to friends and family for a Penny. There was an immediate, warm response from the public.

Printing methods improved, and by 1860 Christmas cards were produced in large quantities. By 1870 the cost of posting one had dropped to half a penny, and the custom was rapidly gaining popularity. By the early 1900s, the custom had spread across Europe.

The first cards usually included a Nativity scene, and in late Victorian times, robins and snow-scenes. Robins were chosen because the postmen in those days were nicknamed 'Robin Postmen', because of their red uniforms. Christmas cards appeared in the USA in the late 1840s. They were mass produced from 1875, and in 1915 John C Hall and two of his brothers created Hallmark Cards, which today offers 2,000 different designs of Christmas card.

Charity Christmas cards began in Denmark in the early 1900s. They spread to Sweden and Norway, and then on throughout Europe and America.

Last year the Royal Mail estimated that it had delivered 150 million cards during the Christmas period.



Christmas and St Luke's Gospel

It is to St Luke's wonderful gospel that many Christians turn as the year draws to a close and Christmas approaches, for it is to St Luke that we owe the fullest account of the nativity.

Luke alone tells us the story of Mary and the angel's visit to her, and has thus given the Church the wonderful Magnificat of Mary.

Luke alone tells us the story of Simeon's hymn of praise, thus giving us the wonderful Nunc Dimittis. Imagine an Anglican evensong without the Nunc Dimittis.

Luke alone tells us the story of how the angels appeared to the shepherds and how the shepherds then visited the infant Jesus. So – imagine Christmas cards and nativity scenes every year without the shepherds arriving to visit baby Jesus. Imagine school nativity plays without our children dressed as shepherds or sheep. So – thank you, Luke!

What makes it so amazing is that Luke was not a Jew! The man who wrote the fullest nativity story, and indeed more of the New Testament than any other single person, was a Gentile!

Luke 2:16-20 Mary ponders

'So, they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger. ... Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things they had heard and seen...'



The shepherds became the first evangelists, proclaiming the good news... That was their response, and it should be ours too.

But for Mary there followed a time of reflection. Exuberant witness and quiet contemplation are not opposites. They are in fact good companions in the spiritual life.

Thank you, LORD Jesus, that you are still found when we search for you. May I be willing to share the discovery I've made with others at this time. But I also want to know you better in my inner life, too. Please give me that balance of active following and heart-pondering reflection, especially in this Christmas season.

A reflection on the Christmas Story by Tony Horsfall, a former OMF missionary to the Far East and now retreat leader and author based in Yorkshire.



Friday Coffee Christmas Fayre



**1st December 2023
10:00am - 2:00pm
St Peter's Church Hall**



Christmas Concerts Fridays 12 noon—1:00pm

1 December	Orpheus Male Voice Choir
8 December	The Nukuleles
15 December	English Jazz Orchestra



Free entry Refreshments for Sale
Donations welcome
Monies fund further concerts
and contribute to the maintenance of St Peter's Church



Christmas Services

13 December Wednesday	10am 7pm	Holy Communion Nine Lessons and Carols
14 December Thursday	2pm	Mothers' Union Carol Service
24 December Christmas Eve	10am 3pm	Holy Communion Christingle Service
25 December Christmas Day	10am	Holy Communion
31 December New Year's Eve	10am	Holy Communion



A Message from the new Headteacher at St Peter's School

I feel very privileged to have started my role as the new Executive Headteacher of both St. Peter's Church of England Primary academy and Ulceby St Nicholas C of E primary schools. I knew when I visited St. Peter's in the summer, what a wonderful place it is. I feel so lucky to have completed my first half term and blessed to be part of this special family. The whole community has made me feel incredibly welcome. from the smiles at the gate and the lovely conversations with the children and staff. I know that this is a place where I will feel at home.

I have been in education for 22 years, and have been a headteacher for approximately 10 of those. I have led a range of schools, from small village primary schools to large inner city schools. I have been an Executive Headteacher before, in a three school federation, two of which were church schools. I know how valuable it is to work in an environment where the intrinsic value of each child and the uniqueness of all are celebrated.

I am a Mummy to 2 wonderful children, a son and a daughter, who are my pride and joy. I am also a dog owner and love nothing more than going on long hikes with her enjoying the English countryside.

I am very much looking forward to my journey here in the St Peter's community. This is an exciting time, as we build on our strengths and ensure that we offer the very best education for all.

Thank you for making me feel so welcome so far!

Miss Emma Hill

Executive Headteacher

Ulceby St. Nicholas C of E Primary

01469 588219

St Peter's C of E Primary Academy

01472 691964



What would you like for Christmas?

A little girl went to visit Father Christmas in the local garden centre grotto. He welcomed her with a smile and the question of what she would like for Christmas.

The little girl gasped and stared up at him in horror. “Didn’t you get my email?!”

How well do you know the Christmas story?

Nativity Quiz in 20 Questions *By Canon Paul Hardingham.*

1. Where did Mary and Joseph live before Jesus was born? a) Nazareth b) Bethlehem c) Jerusalem
2. What was the name of the angel who told Mary she would have a child?
3. What did Joseph do for a living?
4. Who was the Roman ruler when Jesus was born?
5. Why did Mary and Joseph go to Bethlehem?
6. How did Mary and Joseph travel to Bethlehem?
7. Why couldn't Mary and Joseph find a place to stay?
8. Where does the Bible say Jesus was born? a) In a stable b) In hay c) In a manger
9. According to the Bible, which animals were specifically mentioned as being present in the stable when Jesus was born? a) sheep and a donkey b) cattle and a donkey c) donkey, sheep and cattle d) None.
10. What does the angel say to the shepherds when they tell them to go to Bethlehem?
11. The wise men travelled to Jerusalem. a) northward b) southward c) eastward d) westward?
12. What did the Wise Men follow to find Jesus?
13. How many Wise Men visited baby Jesus?
14. What gifts did the wise men bring for Jesus?
15. Who spread the news about baby Jesus throughout Bethlehem?
16. What is the City of David also known as in the bible?
17. Which of the gospels tell the story of the Nativity?
18. What does Jesus' other name, "Immanuel", mean? a) God with us b) Son of God c) He who is God d) Chosen One.
19. How many days after the birth of Christ did Joseph and Mary give him the name Jesus?
20. Jesus was born on the 25th of December. True or false?

Answers on page 21

Sums up Christmas - Three phrases that sum up Christmas are: 'Peace on Earth'; 'Goodwill to Men'; and 'Batteries not included'.

Church 2023
January-October

Income	2023
Planned Giving	14,542.53
Gift Aid Tax Received	5,619.74
Collections	3,403.23
Donations	7,526.72
PCC Fees	3,834.55
Concert Income	3,649.97
Copier Income	1,450.61
Sundry Income	78.10
Restricted Income	9,128.58
Legacy	29,985.54
Total	79,219.57
Expenditure	
Clergy Expenses	35.10
Salaries & Organist Fees	13,719.39
Utilities	5,518.32
Insurance	3,723.03
Repairs & Maintenance	5,264.58
Security	578.95
Upkeep of Services	447.42
Print, Stationery & Office	1,427.25
Covenant giving	7,000.00
Charitable Donations	200.00
Sundry Expenses	1,273.28
Governance	625.00
Fixture & Fittings	0.00
Concert expenses	1,324.61
Transfer CBF	30,000.00
Total	71,136.93
Net Surplus/Deficit	8,082.64

Hall 2023
January-October

Income	2023
Rents	12,477.40
Donations	124.04
Donations (Football)	0.00
Donations (Friday Coffee)	1,262.03
Donations (Food Bank)	-937.12
Grant (2022)	0.00
Total	12,926.35
Expenditure	
Salaries	5,552.46
Utilities	4,471.92
Insurance	1,901.70
Repairs	612.00
Consumables	1,205.34
Security	354.00
Fixtures & Fittings	6.60
Total	14,104.02
Net Surplus/Deficit	-1,177.67



Andrew Longbottom
Treasurer



On Wednesday 15th of November we met for what has turned out to be our last meeting together. As there is no one able to take over the leadership of the branch in January 2024 it is with great sadness that The Branch of St. Peter's here in Cleethorpes will close for the foreseeable future.

St. Peter's has had a branch here for well over a hundred years and so this is a massive step that we are taking. We have loved and supported each other and worked together in our community to follow the vision that Mary Sumner, our founder, had over 140 years ago, that young mothers and wives needed care and support with family life. The Mothers' Union are now truly worldwide with over 4 million members in more than 70 countries. This is the Personal Prayer of Mary Sumner.

*All this day, O Lord, let me touch as many lives as possible for thee;
and every life I touch, do thou by thy Spirit quicken.
Whether through the word I speak, the prayer I breathe, or the life I live.*

I hope we have done her justice.

However we are still hosting this year's Deanery Cluster Carol Service on 14th December at 2:00pm when all our local members will join us for this occasion. We had to cancel last year's because it was so cold and then there was a massive water leak in the Avenue which meant that no one could get into the Church in any case. We hope and pray for a lovely day and occasion this year. If any of you would like to join us you will be more than welcome. We have a big Church and so plenty of room for everyone.

I will finish with our Worldwide Mothers' Union Prayer and with my thanks to you all for reading my rambles for the last few years,

*Loving Lord. We thank you for your love so freely given to us all,
We pray for families around the world.
Bless the work of the Mothers' Union as we seek to share your love, through the
encouragement, strengthening and support of marriage and family life.
Empowered by your spirit, may we be united in prayer and worship, and in
love and service reach out as your hands across the world.
In Jesus' name Amen*

With all my Love, and Best Wishes to you all for Christmas and the New Year

Heather

King Charles is on a mission to tackle food poverty and rising food waste.

It is said that he and the Queen eat daily slices from the same cake until it is finished, as part of a drive to curb their personal food waste.

As for the nation, the king has been increasingly concerned that in the UK, 12 million tons of food is thrown away each year – even though almost three quarters of it could still be eaten, according to experts. In contrast, an estimated 4.7 million people are living in food poverty.

To combat this problem, King Charles has launched The Coronation Food Project, to coincide with this, his 75th year.

Up to eight new food hubs around the country will store food, prepare it, and package it, before redistributing it to organisations like food banks and community kitchens. The long-term goal is to circulate 200 million meals a year.

In the meantime, King Charles is careful not to throw his cake away. Is there one simple thing you could do in your own kitchen this Christmas, to curb your personal food waste?

With beginning a New Year in mind...

Sin has turned the world from a paradise into a thicket; there is no getting through without being scratched. – *T Boston*

God loves us; not because we are loveable but because He is love; not because he needs to receive but because He delights to give. – *C S Lewis*

We Christians are miserable indeed if we grow old in making no improvement. – *John Calvin*

A glimpse of the next three feet of road is more important than a view of the horizon. – *C S Lewis*

The search for happiness is one of the chief sources of unhappiness. – *Eric Hoffer*

A candle loses nothing by lighting another candle. – *Anon*

Many who are climbing the ladder of success have their ladders leaning against the wrong walls. – *Erwin Lutzer*

Time is nothing to God. – *Oswald Chambers*

You are today where your thoughts have brought you; you will be tomorrow where your thoughts take you. – *James Allen*

Trials are the resistances God gives us to strengthen our spiritual muscles. – *G SeEVERS*

Peace is not the absence of conflict from life, but the ability to cope with it. – *Anon*

6 January Epiphany

Canon Paul Hardingham considers our own search for God...

Wise Men Seek Him

'A cold coming we had of it. Just the worst time of the year. For a journey and such a long journey.' (Journey of the Magi, T.S. Eliot).

In this poem, T.S. Eliot imagines the journey of the Magi to worship Jesus, as told in Matthew 2. This story is at the heart of our celebration of Epiphany, as we remember the astrologers from the East following a star to find the baby: *'Magi from the east came to Jerusalem and asked, 'Where is the One who has been born king of the Jews? We saw His star when it rose and have come to worship Him.'* (Matthew 2:1,2).

The Magi provide a powerful picture of the journey we make in searching for God in our lives. Like them, it requires time and effort (they travelled for months) and will not always be easy! As they followed the star, so we are called to pursue God's light in our lives.

What does this say to us at the beginning of a New Year? Are we ready to go deeper in our relationship with God? Are we looking for new ways to use our time, treasure and talents for Him? It is a great time to offer these things to Him, and like the Magi, commit ourselves to pursuing Him. His light, through prayer, worship and His Word, will be our guide on the way.

T.S. Eliot used the imagined journey of the Magi to reflect on his own spiritual journey. It reveals the pain and doubts he experienced on his long and troubled journey to find the light of Christ. He describes finding Christ as a *'hard and bitter agony for us, like Death, our death'*. Are we prepared to make this journey for ourselves?

**

A Prayer for Epiphany

O Lord Jesus Christ, heavenly King, we thank you that you have brought both Jews and Gentiles to hear your voice, and from their number you have gathered and established your Holy Church and perfected your praise out of their mouths. Keep us in that wisdom which you revealed to the Wise Men.

Grant us your Holy Spirit, that we may always seek you and your kingdom.

Enable us to follow your Holy Word, as those from the East followed the leading of a star. Always give us grace, and in all places, to confess your holy name.

Rule us by your Spirit, so that the joys of your birth may increase in us.

Hear our prayers and cries. Accept our offerings, which you yourself have given us: the gold of our faith, the incense of our prayers and the myrrh of our contrite hearts.

Deliver us from the destructive ways of error and sin, and by your Holy Spirit lead us in the ways of peace and in the paths of righteousness.

Grant us all, when this life is done, a participation in the joys of the Year of Jubilee in heaven, where we shall praise and serve you and the Father who live and reign in unity with the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

Are you looking for residential or dementia care in Cleethorpes?

If you are looking for a care home in the heart of Cleethorpes, The Rivelin is ideally located on Albert Road just minutes from the promenade and all the benefits Cleethorpes has to offer including the beach, local shops and the library. In the last few years The Rivelin has undergone a £500,000 refurbishment programme.

Comfortable, well designed accommodation

The Rivelin provides residential and dementia care for up to 40 residents in a warm, comfortable and personal environment and has a range of high quality facilities. This includes tastefully decorated bedrooms, some with en-suite, plus plenty of comfortable social areas.



Come and have a look for yourself

We welcome both private and authority funded enquiries and you are very welcome to visit The Rivelin and meet the staff or experience a trial stay with no obligation (just mention you have heard about us in this magazine)

*Caring for people
is what we do*

Call 01472 692 132

www.shirecarehomes.co.uk

The Rivelin Care Home with Residential & Dementia Care
15 - 21 Albert Road, Cleethorpes, DN35 8LX

Nativity Quiz Answers:

- | | |
|--|-----------------------------------|
| 1. Nazareth | 11. d) westward |
| 2. Gabriel | 12. A star |
| 3. Carpenter | 13. The Bible doesn't say |
| 4. Caesar Augustus | 14. Gold, Frankincense and Myrrh |
| 5. To register for the census | 15. The shepherds |
| 6. We are not told in the Bible | 16. Bethlehem |
| 7. There was no room at the inn | 17. Matthew and Luke |
| 8. c) In a manger | 18. a) God with us |
| 9. d) None | 19. 8, according to the law |
| 10. 'Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will to all people' | 20. False; we don't know the date |

Did you know that in this leap year of 2024 only 326 days belong to it? Why is that?, I hear you ask. Well that is because the other 40 are Lent!!!

John Macnaughton-Jones.

Please help support St Peter's Church, Cleethorpes
by shopping online.



Use easyfundraising to shop with over 3,300 retailers including Amazon, Argos, John Lewis, ASOS, Booking.com, eBay, Boden, and M&S.

You'll raise a free donation for St Peters Church, Cleethorpes every time you shop. It's that easy! The church has already raised over £500!!

Find out more:

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stpcleethorpes/>

FRIDAY COFFEE MORNINGS

Come and join us for a cuppa and a cake
St Peter's Church Hall, Cleethorpes.
Fridays 9:30am to 11:45am



Bric-a-Brac
Book Stall



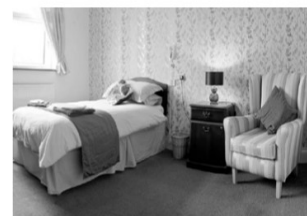


The Old Library Residential Home



***Free Taster Day - Experience our care for yourself**

- Short or Long term respite/day care • Seaside location close to amenities
- Home from home with privacy and dignity • Full Social Programme with regular events and activities to include Arts & Crafts, Flower Arranging etc
 - Awarded the highest possible CQC rating
- EMI registered • Kitchen 5 star rated by environmental health
 - Regular visits from chiropodists & hairdresser
- Call systems in all rooms • Key worker programme
- Television & Telephone points available in all rooms



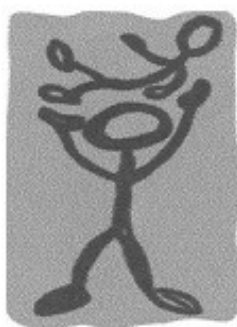
To view our latest CQC Inspection Report and for more information
visit us online at:- www.the-old-library.co.uk

Telephone: (01472) 601364

Isaacs Hill, Cleethorpes, NE Lincolnshire DN35 8JR *Subject to availability call Laura or Charles for details

"Making Childcare Accessible and Fun"

- High quality affordable childcare
- Children 0 - 5 years of age catered for
- Ofsted registered with Nursery Education funding available
- Charitable, non-profit childcare facility



St. Peter's Children's Centre Limited
St. Peter's Primary School
Cambridge Street,
Cleethorpes, DN35 8LW

Tel. 01472 290779 for more information

PARISH REGISTERS

Baptisms

5 November 2023

Felicie Wren Featherstone

19 November 2023

Kobe Gibson



Interment of Ashes

1 November 2023

Clifford Anthony Melbourne



Parish Office

Normal Office Opening Hours
Monday, Tuesday
and Friday 9:30 - 12 noon.

PLEASE RING THE BELL FOR THE PARISH OFFICE

St Peter's Parish Office,
St Peter's Avenue, Cleethorpes,
DN35 8HP,

Tel: 01472 231198

Email: admin@stpeterscleethorpes.org.uk

website: <http://www.stpeterscleethorpes.org.uk>



**SAINT PETER'S CHURCH CLEETHORPES
PARISH SERVICES
DECEMBER 2023 AND JANUARY 2024**

SUNDAYS

Every week 10:00 am Holy Communion

WEDNESDAYS

Every week * 10:00 am Holy Communion

*Please note that there will not be a service on Wednesday 27 December

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

See page 13

Covid Restrictions are now lifted but Covid is still amongst us.

Holy Communion is now administered in both kinds. Individuals may choose to just receive the bread. Intinction is not recommended.

Face coverings are not mandatory but are optional.

Hand sanitiser is available in the porch on the right. Please use it.

You are asked to maintain social distancing and sit where you are advised.

Please follow instructions of the Stewards when receiving communion.

Tea/Coffee is served at the back of church after the Sunday service.

