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Take-away Northgate

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The Church of St. Peter and St. Leonard is a Grade I listed building standing in the conservation area of the oldest part of the township of Horbury. It was built by the architect John Carr for the sum of £8,000, as a gift to the town of his birth on the site of a Norman church dedicated to St. Leonard

The building was completed in 1794 and the first sermon was preached on the 18th May from Psalm 132 v.15 'This shall be my rest forever; here will I dwell, for I have a delight thereon'. The preacher was the Rev. John Taylor, then Curate of Horbury.

The church is built of damstone, from the same source as Sandal Castle, in the classical style having a central portico with the four Ionic columns, its pediment displaying and announcing the Carr gift and the personal pride of a native son of the town.

Hanc aedem sacram: pietatis in deum et amoris: in solum natale monumentum: propriis sumptibus extruxit Johannes Carr Architectus: anno christi MDCCXCI.

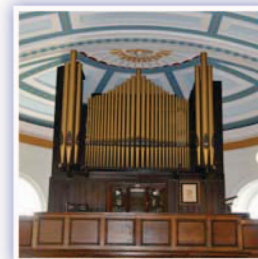
Gloria Deo in Excelcis

The tower is in four diminishing stages, elegant in appearance, with its rotunda of columns and conical spire. In 1899 the tower became unsafe and had to be rebuilt. During the rebuilding a new clock was installed with Westminster chimes, two more bells were added to the original ring of six and two more clock dials.

In the chancel are two stone mural monuments; the first is on the north wall and is to John Carr's father, Robert and also Rosa, his mother; the second is on the south wall and is to John Carr himself. Stained glass windows in the chancel were added in 1850 and are dedicated to the connected families of Bayldon and Scholefield. In 1927 the present altar rails and paving were added. The cross and candlesticks were designed by Laurence King, architect.

The pulpit is an early twentieth century addition, donated in memory of Richard and Martha Poppleton in 1917, and executed in an earlier style.

To the east of the north door is a window showing the Annunciation, commemorating Mary Ann Parker, 1888, daughter of John Francis Carr; it displays the heraldry of the associated families. The Parker family still flourishes at Browsholme Hall, located within the former West Riding, now part of Lancashire. To the west of the door is a window



showing St. Andrew with his saltire, commemorating John and Elizabeth Carswell Reid, 1826. Canon John Sharp was Vicar of St. Peters from 1834 to 1899 and a new vestry was added to the church in 1884 to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of the institution of John Sharp to the parish.

The later side chapel is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary and St. George and contains the War Memorial to those who fell in the Great War of 1914-1919. A window showing St. George is to the memory of Wilfred Hampshire who was killed in the First World War on 9th May 1917. A further window on this side shows St. Leonard and is in memory of George Vint, also slain in the Great War on the 8th December 1916, the window was installed in 1922. To the right of the south door is a further window showing St. Peter and commemorates Horbury School Boys killed in the Great War.



Date	Event / Activity	Times
Sat 29 May	Open Church with Music & Refreshments	9.30–12noon
Sun 30 May	Service The Carr Crypt will be Open	10.30am 2–4pm
Tue 1 June	Open Church	2–4pm
Thu 3 June	Open Church	2–4pm
Sat 5 June	Open Church with Service and Refreshments	9.30–12noon
Sun 6 June	Service The Carr Crypt will be Open	10.30 2–4pm

