



## Central Hartlepool Group

One Family, Three Parishes,  
Growing the Kingdom.

### Notices and Readings 7<sup>th</sup> November 2021: All Saints, Stranton Church

#### God's Blessing as we gather for worship in Church and online

*Rooted in God's love, Growing together with Jesus, Branching out in the Power of the Holy Spirit*

Some services will continue to be streamed LIVE on Facebook pages, or Stranton web pages at the times shown below, and afterwards as online web page videos.

#### This Morning at 11am we give thanks for the ministry of Burbank Community Church

##### *Third Sunday before Advent*

##### *Streamed to Facebook...*

9:00 am	Holy Communion 1, Stranton	Revd Michelle	<i>Stranton</i>
9:15 am	Holy Communion	Revd Norman Shave	<i>St Luke's</i>
10:45 am	Mass, St Aidan's	Rev Sheila Bamber	<i>St Aidan's</i>
11:00 am	Family Communion	Revd Norman/ Revd Clive	<i>Stranton</i>
1:00 pm	Baptism	Reved Michelle	<i>Stranton</i>

**Readings**      Jonah 3:1-10    Mark 1:14-20

*Wednesday 10.00 am* Holy Communion

Revd Norman

*Wednesday 9.30 am* Holy Communion BCP

Revd Andrew

*St Luke's*

*Thursday 9:15 am* Mass

Revd Michelle

*St Aidan and Columba*

#### **Collect:**

God, our refuge and strength,  
bring near the day when wars shall cease  
and poverty and pain shall end,  
that earth may know the peace of heaven  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

#### **Post Communion:**

God of peace,  
whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom  
and restored the broken to wholeness of life:  
look with compassion on the anguish of the world,  
and by your healing power  
make whole both people and nations;  
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

**Amen**



### **Jonah 3: 1-10 Jonah goes to Nineveh**

**3** Then the word of the LORD came to Jonah a second time: <sup>2</sup> 'Go to the great city of Nineveh and proclaim to it the message I give you.' <sup>3</sup> Jonah obeyed the word of the LORD and went to Nineveh. Now Nineveh was a very large city; it took three days to go through it. <sup>4</sup> Jonah began by going a day's journey into the city, proclaiming, 'Forty more days and Nineveh will be overthrown.' <sup>5</sup> The Ninevites believed God. A fast was proclaimed, and all of them, from the greatest to the least, put on sackcloth. <sup>6</sup> When Jonah's warning reached the king of Nineveh, he rose from his throne, took off his royal robes, covered himself with sackcloth and sat down in the dust. <sup>7</sup> This is the proclamation he issued in Nineveh: 'By the decree of the king and his nobles: Do not let people or animals, herds or flocks, taste anything; do not let them eat or drink. <sup>8</sup> But let people and animals be covered with sackcloth. Let everyone call urgently on God. Let them give up their evil ways and their violence. <sup>9</sup> Who knows? God may yet relent and with compassion turn from his fierce anger so that we will not perish.' <sup>10</sup> When God saw what they did and how they turned from their evil ways, he relented and did not bring on them the destruction he had threatened

### **Mark 1: 14-20 Jesus announces the good news and calls his first disciples**

<sup>14</sup> After John was put in prison, Jesus went into Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God. <sup>15</sup> 'The time has come,' he said. 'The kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the good news!' <sup>16</sup> As Jesus walked beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen. <sup>17</sup> 'Come, follow me,' Jesus said, 'and I will send you out to fish for people.' <sup>18</sup> At once they left their nets and followed him. <sup>19</sup> When he had gone a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John in a boat, preparing their nets. <sup>20</sup> Without delay he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men and followed him.

### **Intercessions**

- We give thanks to God for the beauty of creation and all that we enjoy. We pray for all who attend the Glasgow Climate Change conference, for effective decisions and actions to reduce the effects of global warming.
- We pray for peace where there is conflict, relief for refugees and the dispossessed, freedom for the oppressed.
- We pray for local leaders: for our elected Hartlepool Borough council members, elected officers and all who work in public services : for wisdom in day-to-day decisions, wise use of resources and care for all the people of this town.
- We pray for the care of all who continue to be affected by the pandemic, for wisdom for the decision makers concerning public safety; we pray particularly for health and care workers, the police and community wardens, small businesses and local employers, and all who are seeking work.
- We pray that we may be a Community of Hope that we may reach out with love and hope to the vulnerable and marginalised. Pray for Emma and Jo, our Communities of Hope team as their work continues amongst the needy in our community. We pray for the recruitment and induction of a new Project Leader.
- We pray peace and healing for all who are unwell in body mind or spirit, for those awaiting medical treatment, or are in hospital or recovering at home. We pray for those in isolation. We pray for those in care homes. We pray for Audrey, Lynne and Hans.
- We pray for all those who mourn, especially the family and friends of David Williams and Brian Young

## **ATTENDING CHURCH FOR WORSHIP - COVID-19 is still with us**

Although the government has removed the legal requirements to wear face masks and to keep social distance it is asking people to act with consideration towards others, especially the vulnerable. In order to protect ourselves and others, Stranton PCC encourages you to observe these simple measures:-

- Please do not attend church if you have cold or flu-like symptoms/raised temperature
- If you are attending a church service do please try to come early to avoid congestion and delays at the entrance as the service starts.
- Wear a face mask when you enter church and although we encourage you to keep your mask on throughout the service we suggest you only take it off when seated.
- Please sanitise your hands on entry and exit, and as you are directed for receiving Communion. Please wear your mask whilst going to and from the communion table.
- Holy Communion is offered by intinction (wafer dipped in wine).
- The Sunday 11 am service will be displayed on the screens: booklets are now in use again at 9 am
- Singing is now allowed. If you would like to join in singing we politely ask you to wear a mask.
- After the service, please meet continuing to maintain distance and allowing other people to leave
- If you become unwell with COVID-19 like symptoms within the week after attending a church service please advise a member of the clergy or a churchwarden so that people from that service can be advised.
- There will not be a collection taken but you may leave an offertory in the basket as you come in.

## **NOTICES:**

### **Sunday Club News!**

Join us this week for Sunday Club. We will be looking at the armour of God. Our bible readings are Ephesians 6:10-11 and Ephesians 6:14-17. If you have any questions please let us know.

Enjoy, Kate Stranton Sunday Club Leader

### **Coffee or Tea, Cake and Company**

St Matthew's Community Centre Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. A time to spend together with friends, to meet new people and make new friends.

**Service for the recently Bereaved:** We will be holding a service for all who wish to remember loved ones they have lost today, Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> November at 4pm. If you would like to remember someone by name please let a minister or Church Warden know.

### **Messy Church**

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> November at St Matthew's Community Centre 4:00 to 5:30. Join us for family friendly worship, games, crafts and food.

**Racial Justice Course** Thursdays next meetings 11th and 18th November, held in Fulthorpe Chapel 7:45 to 9:15. Racial justice was the subject of the Diocese of Durham's 2021 Lent course so we will use some of the material that was generated for that, and October has been "Black History Month" We will start by exploring what the Bible has to say about racial justice and go on to share, and pray through what our own experiences have taught us in a safe space of honesty mutual respect and love in which everyone will be listened to.

Do come and join us. **Revd Michelle Delves and Revd Andrew Craig**

**Vacancy:** Please pray for the 3 PCCs and our Group council meeting on Monday 8 November as they continue to work with Rev Sheila Bamber in the processes to appoint a new priest within our group of parishes.

### **Group Christmas Meal**

Thanks to those who have reserved places by last week's deadline: this meal will take place on Thursday 16th December starting at 7.00 pm in the Golden Lion. (Menus at the back of Church, or already sent with covering email, or ask the office if you need a copy). **If you have booked a place**, please now mark up a copy of the menu with your name and a contact number (just in case it's unsure what you've ordered) and show on the menu what you would like. Pop choices **in an envelope with the full money**, and hand to Maureen Anderson or Angela Craig (Please add an extra £1 for a tip.) **Menus and money to be returned by the beginning of December**

## Forest Church

The next Open Skies Forest Church is on this Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> November. Forest Church is one of our Communities of Hope Hartlepool projects - an informal, family-focussed, outdoor church event where we explore nature and faith together. All are welcome! Any questions please message this page or contact Rachel Price. If you're coming it's really helpful if you can sign up on the Eventbrite page. Hope to see you there!

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/open-skies-forest-church-tickets-170277186649>

## Burn Valley Residents Christmas Fair - Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> November 10:00 to 12:00

Admission 50p adults - children free. Craft stalls, craft activities for children, Blackberry Donkeys

## 4<sup>th</sup> Hartlepool Boys Brigade Christmas Fair - St Matthew's CC Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> November 9:30 to 12:00 noon

Admission adults £1 (children free). Bargains galore guaranteed. We are collecting bric-a-brac - please ring George Bainbridge 07816 445829 if you have something to donate and would like it collecting.

Trish and the social team are running a **Trash or Treasure Stall** in order to raise funds for parish social events. We need bottle donations (alcohol, soft drinks, water, soap, shower and bath gels, sauces, washing up liquids, small toys for children). If you can help please contact Trish on 01429 894006

## Open Church Saturday Mornings

Church is open each Saturday morning, 10:00 to 12:00, for visitors and for those wishing to receive some pastoral support or prayer. We are need of some more volunteers. Could anyone who expressed an interest initially, or anyone who would like to be part of the team of people doing this please talk with Rev Michelle (07564 029010).

## Parish Giving – how to support the mission and ministry of Stranton Church

The Parish Giving Scheme has been updated and it is now possible to join this direct debit scheme through the scheme's website. The link for Stranton church is <https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/find-your-parish/stranton-all-saints-ts24-7qt/>. We do still welcome and give thanks to those who give by standing order and / or envelopes but there are additional costs involved in these older methods. It is also still possible to join the scheme by obtaining a form if you prefer a paper application. If anyone has any questions about the scheme please let me know.

David Craig, Hon. Treasurer: **email - [treasurer@stranton-church.org.uk](mailto:treasurer@stranton-church.org.uk)**

**Live online Services for w/c 7<sup>st</sup> November** Facebook addresses are below.

- The Wednesday 9.30 communion from St Luke's and the Thursday 9.15 Mass from St Columba's will also be streamed.
- If you would like to access a night prayer **Lectio 365 have introduced a daily night prayer** accessible by down loading the app. The Church of England has also introduced an audio version of Morning Prayer.
- Zoom Morning Prayer is online from 8.30 - 9.00am Monday to Friday. Contact Revd Norman for details.

## Streaming 11:00 am Sunday Services

The 11:00am service is now being streamed to <https://youtube.com/channel/UCMNoiSa2KGgGWkzli62VFcA> A link will be shared by Facebook.

## Facebook and Web Addresses:

<https://www.facebook.com/aidancolumba/> <https://www.facebook.com/strantonsundayclub/>

<https://www.facebook.com/allsaintsstranton/> <http://stranton-church.org.uk/videos.html> )

<https://www.facebook.com/stlukeshartlepool> [www.stlukeshartlepool.org/coronavirus](http://www.stlukeshartlepool.org/coronavirus))

## Church Office

The Church office is now open Tuesday to Friday. Trish can be contacted in the office from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. each day.

## Parish Contacts: Church office please telephone or email.

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