



Central Hartlepool Group

One Family, Three Parishes,
Growing the Kingdom.



All Saints (Stranton) Church

Notices and Readings – 12th May 2024

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

*Streamed services (marked *) are available on Facebook or our YouTube pages*

Sunday 12th May: 7th Sunday of Easter (Sunday after Ascension Day)

9:00 am	Holy Communion*	Revd John Bell	Stranton
9:15 am	Holy Communion	Revd Tony Roache	St Luke's
10:45 am	Mass *	Revd Tony Roache	St Aidan's
11:00 am	Morning Worship	Revd John Bell	Stranton
4:00pm	Messy Church - at St MATTHEWS COMMUNITY CENTRE		

Weekday Services:

Wednesday	15 th May 2024:	St Luke's	9.30 am	Revd Tony Roache
		St Matthew's	10.00 am	Revd Andrew Craig
Thursday	16 th May 2024:	St Columba's	9.15am	Revd Tony Roache

Collect:

Risen, ascended Lord,
as we rejoice at your triumph,
fill your Church on earth with power and
compassion,
that all who are estranged by sin
may find forgiveness and know your peace,
to the glory of God the Father. **AMEN**

Post Communion:

Eternal God, giver of love and power,
your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world
to preach the gospel of his kingdom:
confirm us in this mission,
and help us to live the good news we proclaim;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN**

Readings for 12th May:

Acts 1:15-17,21-end

1 John 5:9-13

John 17:6-9

Intercessions – Please pray for:

- An end to the conflicts in Ukraine, Gaza, Yemen, and elsewhere.
- The work of Christian Aid in helping those in need through drought and floods to rebuild and recover
- All those with upcoming baptisms within our group of churches.
- Revd Becky Reeve, who will be the new Priest in Charge of St Aidan & St Columba, and serving across the Group, and also her husband Patrick, as they move to Hartlepool at some point over the summer.
- Our journey of faith, as we seek to grow deeper with God, seeking his will for our lives.
- Growth in our Churches, with new people seeking to know Christ, and more people stepping forward to serve and volunteer, wherever it is needed (and whether this could be you).
- Opportunities to grow our presence in our community, and engage with community leaders.
- Peace and healing for all who are suffering in body, mind or spirit, that they may know God's love and peace in the midst of difficulty.
- All those who mourn at this time especially remembering the family and friends of Pam Hutchinson, Richard Walker and Brian Gladman

Notices

Please let a Minister or Church Warden know of any **special occasion** you are celebrating and would like to share with the Church.

Christian aid Week 12 - 18 May 2024 - giving envelopes are available at the back of Church, to be returned by next Sunday or you can donate via this link: <https://give.christianaid.org.uk/donate/CAM-006503> Will you help someone push back against poverty this Christian Aid Week? Christian Aid works to create conditions in which families can escape the trap of poverty and fulfil their ambitions, especially where livelihoods have been lost through drought and flood.

Messy Church Today Sunday 12th May at St Matthews Community Centre 4.00pm – 5.30pm. **All families welcome.**

Prayers of Love and Faith: Following our Lent Course, Revd John is keen for anyone with views about the Prayers of Love and Faith to get in touch, before a decision is made on whether to offer these prayers within our services.

Opportunities to Serve: If you would like to help with our **Children's and Youth work**, with our **Music Group**, or in any other way, please have a chat with Revd John as we look to grow these and other areas of our ministry.

Communities of Hope (Help needed – speak to one of the team to find out how you can support us)

- **Stranton Toddlers (Term time only)** Tuesday 9:00 am-11:00 am at **St Matthew's**
- **A Bit of God Time** Tuesday 1:00 pm-2:30 pm at **St Aidan's**
- **Friday Drop-In Cafe** Friday 10:00 am-12:00 pm at **St Aidan's**

Boys Brigade Open Evening: Friday 17th May 7.15pm to 9pm at St Matthew's Community Centre

Training Opportunities: If anyone would be interested in doing the **Wings of Worship** training course, which prepares people to lead worship and deliver the occasional sermon/talk, please have a chat with Revd John. It runs over 5 evenings (with a possible 6th covering communion by extension).

Also, if anyone is interested in training for Lay Ministry as **Licensed Lay Readers** (initial 2 years plus 2 years further training/experience to gain full licence), **Authorised Lay Ministers of the Word** (ALMOW) (1 year), **Lay Chaplaincy** (1 year), and **Lay Pastoral Ministry** (1 year), please contact Revd John's to arrange an initial conversation about this.

Contacts:

Priest in charge: **Revd John Bell** Tel: 01429 756309 / 07512 481115.
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admin@stranton-church.org.uk Contact hours: Mon-Fri 9am to 12pm
The Church Office is at St Matthews Community Centre, 143 Elwick Road, TS26 8JF.
Bookings: please call in on Wednesday, 12pm & 2pm, or contact to arrange a time.

Website: <https://www.stranton-church.org.uk/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/allsaintsstranton>

YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCMNoiSa2KGgGWkzli62VFcA>

Other Central Hartlepool Group links:

St Luke's: <https://www.facebook.com/stlukeshartlepool>

St Aidan's and St Columba's: https://www.facebook.com/aidancolumba/?locale=en_GB

Communities of Hope: <https://www.facebook.com/hartlepoolcoh>

