



Central Hartlepool Group

One Family, Three Parishes,
Growing the Kingdom.

Notices and Reading 12th September 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.

fifteenth Sunday after Trinity (Green)

Streamed to Facebook...

9:00 am	Holy Communion, Stranton	Revd Michelle	<i>Stranton</i>
9:15 am	Holy Communion, St Luke's	Revd Norman	
10:45 am	Mass, St Aidan's	Revd Clive	<i>St Aidan's</i>
11:00 am	Morning Worship, Stranton <i>With Sunday Club!</i>	Rachel and Mary	<i>Stranton</i>

Readings: Isaiah 50: 4-9a Mark 8: 27f

9.30 am	<u>Wednesday</u> Holy Communion BCP	Revd Michelle	<i>St Luke's</i>
9:15 am	<u>Thursday</u> Mass	Revd Norman	<i>St Aidan and Columba</i>

Collect for Trinity 15:

Lord God,
defend your Church from all false teaching
and give to your people knowledge of your truth,
that we may enjoy eternal life
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Post Communion:

Keep, O Lord, your Church, with your perpetual
mercy;
and, because without you our human frailty
cannot but fall,
keep us ever by your help from all things
hurtful,
and lead us to all things profitable to our
salvation;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen



Isaiah 50:4-9 (NIVUK)

⁴The Sovereign LORD has given me a well-instructed tongue, to know the word that sustains the weary. He wakens me morning by morning, wakens my ear to listen like one being instructed.⁵ The Sovereign LORD has opened my ears; I have not been rebellious, I have not turned away.⁶ I offered my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who pulled out my beard; I did not hide my face from mocking and spitting.⁷ Because the Sovereign LORD helps me, I will not be disgraced. Therefore have I set my face like flint, and I know I will not be put to shame.⁸ He who vindicates me is near. Who then will bring charges against me? Let us face each other! Who is my accuser? Let him confront me!⁹ It is the Sovereign LORD who helps me. Who will condemn me? They will all wear out like a garment; the moths will eat them up.

Mark 8: 27 - 38 (NIVUK)

²⁷ Jesus and his disciples went on to the villages around Caesarea Philippi. On the way he asked them, 'Who do people say I am?' ²⁸ They replied, 'Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.' ²⁹ 'But what about you?' he asked. 'Who do you say I am?' Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah.'

³⁰ Jesus warned them not to tell anyone about him. ³¹ He then began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and after three days rise again. ³² He spoke plainly about this, and Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³ But when Jesus turned and looked at his disciples, he rebuked Peter. 'Get behind me, Satan!' he said. 'You do not have in mind the concerns of God, but merely human concerns.'

³⁴ Then he called the crowd to him along with his disciples and said: 'Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ³⁵ For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me and for the gospel will save it. ³⁶ What good is it for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul? ³⁷ Or what can anyone give in exchange for their soul? ³⁸ If anyone is ashamed of me and my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, the Son of Man will be ashamed of them when he comes in his Father's glory with the holy angels.'

Intercessions

- We pray for your peace, justice and reconciliation where there is conflict and division among the nations. Across the world we pray for Afghanistan and Haiti.
- We pray for national and local leaders: for wisdom in day-to-day decisions regarding the pandemic: for health, safety, and wise use of resources.
- 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, and that we may find ways in which to become involved.
- 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 all those who mourn, especially the family and friends of Rev David Webster, Moira Richardson and Brian Wates

ATTENDING CHURCH FOR WORSHIP

Although the government has removed the legal requirement to wear a face mask and to social distance it is advising people act with consideration to others, especially the vulnerable.

In order to protect ourselves and others Stranton PCC encourage you to -

- 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. Please (if you can) scan the NHS QR code poster using the NHS COVID-19 app.
- Wear a face mask when you enter church and although we encourage you to keep your mask on throughout the service you may take it off when seated.
- Please sanitise 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.

- We ask you to register as you come in for “tracing”. A register of attendees will be kept for three weeks.
- Holy Communion is offered by intinction (wafer dipped in wine).
- The Sunday service will be displayed on the screens.
- Singing is now allowed. If you would like to join in singing with the music group we politely ask you to wear a mask.
- After the service, please meet outside, continuing to maintain distance and allowing other people to leave
- Please respect other people’s space and maintain the 1+ metre social distancing regime, some people may feel anxious and vulnerable. Families/”bubbles” may sit together.
- Seating is sanitised between services. Access to toilets is available if absolutely necessary, but please follow the guidance provided on cleaning
- 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 the contact list information from that service can be used for test and tracing purposes.
- There will not be a collection taken but you may leave an offertory in the basket as you come in.

NOTICES:

“Take a moment” Worship Night

Now we can all sing together again, come and celebrate at our worship night on 19th September in Stranton Church, 6:45 for a 7pm start. An informal evening of music from The Apple Tree, prayer ministry, and fellowship with brothers and sisters from across Hartlepool. Hope to see you there! *Rachel*

Faculty application: Audio Visual Project

Installation of permanent display screens in church will start week commencing 13th September and will take two weeks to complete.

Stranton Sunday Club:

Sunday Club starts this week at the 11 o'clock service. Our theme this month will be looking at how God provides for us. Our first session will be looking at Matthew 6:24-27. All children are welcome but anyone under five will need to be accompanied by an adult. I hope that you join us as we will be making bird feeders and having fun learning more about God. Kate Stranton Sunday Club Leader

Boys Brigade Boys Brigade re-starts from Friday 10th September

- Every Friday Anchor Boys - for school yrs. 2 & 3 meet 6 - 7.00pm at St Matthews Community Centre
- Every Friday Company Section for school yrs. 7 and upwards meet 7.15 - 9.00pm at St. Matthews CC
- Every Monday Juniors for school yrs. 4- 6 meet 6.30 - 8.00pm at St Matthews CC
- Subs are £1.50 : New members are welcomed in each Section

Helping in Church Services: We have reintroduced a rota for reading, interceding and welcoming at the 11 am service soon. If you are interested in helping out please chat with Maureen Anderson or contact her using the church office telephone or email below.

Forest Church: The next Open Skies Forest Church is on 26th September! 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>

Vacancy:

Please pray for the 3 PCC’s and the Group council as they continue to work with Rev Sheila Bamber in the processes to appoint a new priest within our group. The next stage is a joint meeting on Monday 13th September.

St Luke's Church Fete:

Saturday 18 September; 2-4pm at St Luke's Church and gardens. All welcome

Church Office

The Church office is now open Tuesdays to Fridays. Trish can be contacted in the office from 9am to 11.30am each day.

Stranton Toddler Group Tuesdays and Fridays 9.00-11.00am St Matthew's Community Centre.

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. If you would like to be part of the team of people doing this please talk with Rev Michelle (07564 029010).

Fundraising Challenge: Tehran - Hartlepool in 61 days

We are gathering a team who are aiming to walk, cycle, run, scoot, wheel, swim, etc the equivalent distance from Tehran to Hartlepool over August and September to raise money for the Asylum Seeker and Refugee Group (run by Hartlepower). (That's 3,655 miles!) This is not just for the super-fit - all ages and abilities are encouraged to participate in whatever way would be a challenge - whether that's 5 miles walking or 100 miles cycling per week! Sign up to the team here:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1Zw4Y2ZL5blsVCsZqfgOsABkFn0yh26MH5zJBwvIDck8/edit>

and email Rachel with any questions: rachel@stranton-church.org.uk

Link to sponsorship page: <https://www.gofundme.com/f/tehran-to-hartlepool-in-61-days>

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**

Live online Services for w/c 12th September Facebook addresses are below.

- Wednesday 9.30 communion from St Luke's and 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 downloading the app. The Church of England has also introduced an audio version of Morning Prayer.
- Zoom Morning Prayer at 8.30am Monday to Friday. Contact Revd Norman for details.

Streaming 11:00 am Sunday Services

The 11:00am service is now being streamed to Youtube

<https://youtube.com/channel/UCMNoiSa2KGgGWkzli62VFcA> A link will be shared by Facebook and on the church website.

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)

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(More information on our web site <http://www.stranton-chrch.org.uk> and Facebook page)