



## Central Hartlepool Group

One Family, Three Parishes,  
Growing the Kingdom.

### Notices and Reading 15<sup>th</sup> August 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.

#### ***Eleventh Sunday after Trinity (Green)***

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

9:00 am	Holy Communion, Stranton	Revd Norman	<i>Stranton</i>
9:15 am	Holy Communion, St Luke's	Revd Kevin	
10:45 am	Mass, St Aidan's	Revd Clive	<i>St Aidan's</i>
11:00 am	Morning Worship, Stranton	Revd Norman/Mary	<i>Stranton</i>
2:00 pm	Sunday Club on-line with Kate ( <a href="https://www.facebook.com/strantonsundayclub/">https://www.facebook.com/strantonsundayclub/</a> )		

**Readings:** Ephesians 4: 25-5:2 John 6: 35, 41-51

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

Words and Songs for 11 am Holy Communion below

#### **Collect for Trinity 11 :**

God of glory,  
the end of our searching,  
help us to lay aside  
all that prevents us from seeking your kingdom,  
and to give all that we have  
to gain the pearl beyond all price,  
through our Saviour Jesus Christ

**Amen**

#### **Post Communion :**

Lord of all mercy,  
we your faithful people have celebrated that  
one true sacrifice  
which takes away our sins and brings pardon  
and peace:  
by our communion  
keep us firm on the foundation of the gospel  
and preserve us from all sin;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**



## **Ephesians 5: 21-33 (NIVUK)**

<sup>21</sup> Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ.

<sup>22</sup> Wives, submit yourselves to your own husbands as you do to the Lord. <sup>23</sup> For the husband is the head of the wife as Christ is the head of the church, his body, of which he is the Saviour. <sup>24</sup> Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit to their husbands in everything.

<sup>25</sup> Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her <sup>26</sup> to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word, <sup>27</sup> and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless. <sup>28</sup> In this same way, husbands ought to love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. <sup>29</sup> After all, no one ever hated their own body, but they feed and care for their body, just as Christ does the church—  
<sup>30</sup> for we are members of his body. <sup>31</sup> “For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh.” <sup>32</sup> This is a profound mystery—but I am talking about Christ and the church. <sup>33</sup> However, each one of you also must love his wife as he loves himself, and the wife must respect her husband.

## **Luke 1: 46-55 (NIVUK)**

<sup>46</sup> And Mary said: “My soul glorifies the Lord

<sup>47</sup> and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour,

<sup>48</sup> for he has been mindful of the humble state of his servant. From now on all generations will call me blessed,

<sup>49</sup> for the Mighty One has done great things for me—holy is his name.

<sup>50</sup> His mercy extends to those who fear him, from generation to generation.

<sup>51</sup> He has performed mighty deeds with his arm; he has scattered those who are proud in their inmost thoughts.

<sup>52</sup> He has brought down rulers from their thrones but has lifted up the humble.

<sup>53</sup> He has filled the hungry with good things but has sent the rich away empty.

<sup>54</sup> He has helped his servant Israel, remembering to be merciful

<sup>55</sup> to Abraham and his descendants forever, just as he promised our ancestors.”

## **Intercessions**

- We pray for your peace, justice and reconciliation where there is conflict and division among the nations, for people who are oppressed imprisoned and enslaved, for asylum seekers and refugees.
- 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 for the care of all 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, 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.

## **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:**

### **Urgent Need**

A refugee family who worships at Stranton, recently given leave to remain, is moving into an empty house in Hartlepool on Monday this week. If anyone is able to help with household items please contact Jo on 07305930450. Thank you for your support.

### **Welcoming families on the journey to baptism**

As a church we have always encouraged families requesting baptism to belong to our Church Community. As part of this welcome next Sunday at 11.00am we will be holding our first 'Lighthouse' style service since the beginning of the pandemic. This will be a more relaxed service but will also be conducted on a covid appropriate way.

### **Community of Hope Family and Children's Worker**

This week we have advertised the vacant family and Children's worker post with Communities of Hope. This is a three year post. More details on line <http://stranton-church.org.uk/jobapplications.html> or contact Norman on 07985148034.

### **Faculty application: Audio Visual Project**

A faculty for the installation of permanent display screens in church has been granted. We hope and pray that work will start in the near future.

### **Stranton Sunday Club Online**

There will be no face to face Sunday Club this week but our online Sunday Club will be available as usual. Kate. Stranton Sunday Club Leader

**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 or contact her using the church office telephone or email below.

#### **VACANCY:**

Stranton PCC met with the other two Central Hartlepool Group PCCs on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> August in the process of discerning the shape of the future post, and we will keep you informed as we go along. In a 'normal' vacancy there would be quite a delay before the recruitment process could start, however, the Diocese regards this vacancy in Hartlepool Group as a 'mission critical exemption', so the recruitment process has started.

#### **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/1Zw4Y2ZL5blsVCsZqfgOsABkFn0yh26MH5zJBwvlDck8/edit>

and email Rachel with any questions: [rachel@stranton-church.org.uk](mailto: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](mailto:treasurer@stranton-church.org.uk)*

**Live online Services for w/c 16<sup>th</sup> August** 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 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

<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)

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