

# Central Hartlepool Group

One Family, Three Parishes,  
Growing the Kingdom.

**Notices 15 November 2020: Stranton St Luke's and Burbank Community Churches**

*Under the current lockdown we can only open Church for private prayer or streaming services.*

***Sunday 15th November: 2nd Sunday before Advent : Green***

Private Prayer:

St Luke's	9.30am-10.30am (at 10.00am a short video by Paul Harcourt 'God is still in charge' will be shown)
Stranton	9.00am-10.30am
St Aidan's	10.00am-11.00am

Services broadcast on facebook pages

9.15am	Mass (from home)	Rev Gemma Sampson
11.00am	Holy Communion	Rev Michelle & Lizelke Preaching

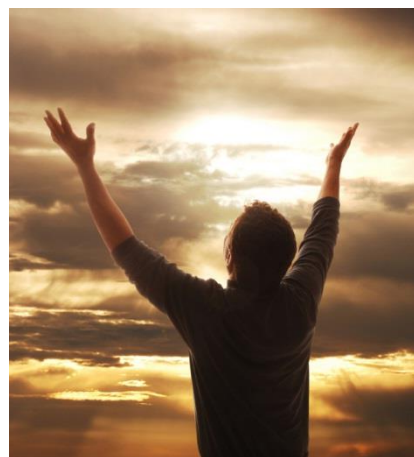
**Readings:** Zephaniah 1:7,12-end or 1 Thessalonians 5: 1-11 and Matthew 25:14-30

**Collect for 2 before Advent**

Heavenly Lord,  
you long for the world's salvation:  
stir us from apathy,  
restrain us from excess  
and revive in us new hope  
that all creation will one day be healed  
in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

**Post Communion**

Gracious Lord,  
in this holy sacrament you give substance to our hope:  
bring us at the last to that fullness of life for which we long;  
through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.



## Month of Prayer

The Archbishops of Canterbury and York and our diocesan Bishops have called for a Month of Prayer focussing on our nation.

Various leaflets are available to help us to pray at this time. See the parish or diocesan website

- We are encouraged to pray regularly at 6.00pm each day, or at another suitable time.
- On Thursdays we are encouraged to consider fasting in some way.

Additionally if you would like to gather for local prayer on line Rev Norman will be hosting an **on line zoom gathering for prayer on Wednesdays at 7.00pm**. For a link contact Norman, Trish or Julia. From 7pm on Tuesday 24th to Wednesday 25th November we will be organising 24 hours of prayer. (more details to follow).

## Intercessions

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, Jess and Jo, our Communities of Hope team as the work takes shape.

We pray for all effected by the pandemic and the implications of the second lockdown, praying particularly for health and care workers and all key workers.

We pray for all who are unwell, awaiting medical treatment or are in hospital and for those recovering at home. We pray for those in isolation. We pray for those in care homes.

We pray for all those who mourn, we remember the families of whom we know who are grieving at the present time, particularly the family and friends of Edward Bunting.

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## PASTORAL CARE

A big thank you to the pastoral care team who are seeking to stay in regular contact with the most vulnerable members of Church family. If you would like to help with this initiative, perhaps by telephoning a few Church members please contact Rev Michelle Delves.

## The Return of Virtual Sunday Club!

Due to Sunday Club currently being unable to meet in Church I am bringing back the Virtual Sunday Club from the first lockdown. Back in March I began sending Sunday Club emails to a variety of families that included a bible reading/story, some suggested activities/things to think about and an adult assisted activity. Many children enjoyed the activities and learning more about God. **These emails are suitable for 5-11 year olds.**

These emails will be sent out every Sunday starting from the 15<sup>th</sup> November until Christmas. If you would like to be added to the email list or have any questions about this, please let me know. My email address is [kate.lawson4@outlook.com](mailto:kate.lawson4@outlook.com).

Kate Lawson, Stranton Sunday Club Leader

## Hartlepool Communities of Hope Team

The Team now has a facebook page so you can be informed and support their work and become involved in our community plans with them: <https://www.facebook.com/hartlepoolcoh>. Although Lockdown has meant they have attended firstly to work based around St Aidan's Kitchen, all three parishes are involved in areas such as schools engagement and outreach with asylum seekers and rough sleepers, and our active support is needed.

BEING IN CHURCH... *Please read, things may have changed...*

- Under the new lock down rules we can only gather for private prayer or to stream a service with no congregation.
- You should NOT come to Church if you are in quarantine, or are self isolating because you have Covid-19 symptoms or have been a direct contact of someone who has recently tested positive.
- ***We ask for your co-operation in keeping yourself and others as safe as possible and ask everyone coming in to Church to wear a face mask and use the hand sanitiser coming in and going out. Please do not come if you are unwell or have recently been in contact with someone who has developed COVID -19.***
- ***Let a member of the Team, Churchwarden or the parish office know if you develop COVID-19 symptoms in the week following your attendance at church***
- Entry into church is via the south door (usual entrance). The North Aisle is reserved for those who wish to take particular care in distancing, entry by West door.
- Hand sanitiser is available on entry and exit and must be used when you come in.
- Your name and contact number will be entered onto the register of attendance. The register of attendees will be kept for three weeks, for track and trace purposes only.
- If you have the Government's mobile Tracing "App" on your smartphone, we have a "QR code" on display that you can scan as you come into church. It is not an alternative to signing in, as many people still do not have the App, but it is one of the ways we can help to keep one another safe.
- The use of face masks is mandatory while in the building.
- Follow the floor markings to take you around the one way system.
- **Maintain 2 metre distancing** one person to a marked pew – families/household “bubbles” of **no more than 6** may sit together – please **do not** sit in a pew marked as not available for use .
- Your seat will have been sanitised before you come and will be cleaned again after use.
- Access to the Toilets is available if necessary, but you are asked to follow the directions for flushing and wiping down

A collection will not be taken up but you may leave your offering e.g. loyalty envelopes in the basket at the back of church if you come for private prayer. Please Visit the parish website <http://www.stranton-church.org.uk> for details of how to support the work and mission of the Church financially, or ask the Treasurer David Craig [craigdanew@gmail.com](mailto:craigdanew@gmail.com) / 07960 829102 for details of online giving and gift aid schemes.

**Live on line Services for 16 – 21 November-** facebook addresses are below

Day	9.15am Mass/Communion	3pm Reflection/Prayer in the afternoon	8pm Night Prayer
Mon 16	Mother Gemma		Angela Craig
Tues 17	Mother Gemma	Jess Monopoli	
Wed 18	Revd Norman		Lizelke Klindt
Thurs 19	Mother Gemma	Revd Michelle	
Fri 20	-----	Revd Clive	Julia Taylor
Sat 21	Mother Gemma		

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

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

<https://www.facebook.com/stlukeshartlepool>

<https://www.facebook.com/hartlepoolcoh>

(Links to all church online Services are then available later at <http://stranton-church.org.uk/videos.html>)

**Contacts:**

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St Luke's Church Office Tel 01429 281122 (Julia)

Email: [julia@stlukeschurch.plus.com](mailto:julia@stlukeschurch.plus.com)

Norman or Julie Shave: Tel 01429 233609

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More information can be found on our web sites at:

Stranton <http://www.stranton-church.org.uk>

St Luke's [www.stlukeshartlepool.org](http://www.stlukeshartlepool.org)

**Parish Safeguarding Officer**

**Peter Hart 07903 155268, or email at [youthworkerpete@hotmail.com](mailto:youthworkerpete@hotmail.com)**

**Holy Communion Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> November 11am**

*The greeting and opening prayer*

The Lord be with you

**And also with you.**

**Loving God, we have come to worship you.  
Help us to pray to you in faith,  
to sing your praise with gratitude,  
and to listen to your word with eagerness;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**Holy, holy, holy** is the Lord God almighty,  
Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God almighty,  
Who was, and is, and is to come,  
Who was, and is, and is to come.

*Lift up His name with the sound of singing,  
Lift up His name in all the earth.  
Lift up your voice and give Him glory,  
For He is worthy to be praised.*

Jesus, Jesus, Jesus is the Lord God almighty,  
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus is the Lord God almighty,  
Who was, and is, and is to come,  
Who was, and is, and is to come.

*Confession*

**Father, we have sinned against heaven and against you.  
We are not worthy to be called your children.  
We turn to you again.  
Have mercy on us,  
bring us back to yourself as those who once were dead  
but now have life through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*Words of forgiveness*

*Collect*

**Heavenly Lord, you long for the world's salvation:  
stir us from apathy,  
restrain us from excess and revive in us new hope  
that all creation will one day be healed  
in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

*News and celebrations*

**Lord, I come to you**, let my heart be changed, renewed,  
flowing from the grace that I found in you.  
And, Lord, I've come to know the weaknesses I see in me  
will be stripped away by the power of your love.

*Hold me close, let your love surround me,  
bring me near, draw me to your side;  
and as I wait, I'll rise up like the eagle,  
and I will soar with you;  
your Spirit leads me on in the power of your love.*

Lord, unveil my eyes, let me see you face to face,  
the knowledge of your love, as you live in me.  
Lord, renew my mind as your will unfolds in my life,  
in living every day in the power of your love.

*Bible reading* Zephaniah 1: 7, 12-18

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God**

*Gospel reading* Matthew 25: 14-30

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to Matthew

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Sermon*

*Prayers of intercession*

*At the end:*

Merciful Father,  
**accept these prayers for the sake of your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

*The Creed*

*response: I believe and trust in him.*

This is the faith of the Church.

**This is our faith.**

**We believe and trust in one God  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

*The Peace*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

**Behold the Lamb** who bears our sins away,  
Slain for us: and we remember:

The promise made that all who come in faith  
Find forgiveness at the cross.

So we share in this Bread of life,

And we drink of His sacrifice,

As a sign of our bonds of peace

Around the table of the King.

The body of our Saviour, Jesus Christ,

Torn for you: eat and remember

The wounds that heal, the death that brings us life,  
Paid the price to make us one.

So we share in this Bread of Life,

And we drink of His sacrifice

As a sign of our bonds of love

Around the table of the King.

The blood that cleanses every stain of sin,

Shed for you: drink and remember

He drained death's cup that all may enter in  
To receive the life of God.

So we share in this Bread of Life,

And we drink of His sacrifice,

As a sign of our bonds of grace

Around the table of the King.

And so with thankfulness and faith we rise  
To respond: and to remember  
Our call to follow in the steps of Christ  
As His body here on earth.  
As we share in His suffering,  
We proclaim: Christ will come again!  
And we'll join in the feast of heaven  
Around the table of the King.

**Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power,  
The glory, the splendour, and the majesty;  
For everything in heaven and on earth is yours.  
All things come from you,  
And of your own do we give you.**

*The Eucharistic Prayer*

The Lord be with you  
**and also with you.**

Lift up your hearts  
**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give thanks and praise.**  
It is right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation;  
in your love you made us for yourself.  
When we turned away you did not reject us,  
but came to meet us in your Son.  
**You embraced us as your children  
and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.**

In Christ you shared our life  
that we might live in him and he in us.  
**He opened his arms of love upon the cross and  
made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.**

On the night he was betrayed, at supper with his  
friends  
he took bread, and gave you thanks;  
he broke it and gave it to them saying:  
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.  
**Father, we do this in remembrance of him;  
his body is the bread of life.**

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine,  
he gave you thanks, and said:  
Drink this, all of you;  
this is my blood of the new covenant,  
which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins;  
do this in remembrance of me.  
**Father, we do this in remembrance of him;  
his blood is shed for all.**

As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in  
glory,  
send your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine  
may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.  
**As we eat and drink these holy gifts  
make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.**

With your whole Church throughout the world  
we offer you this sacrifice of praise  
and lift our voice to join the eternal song of heaven:  
**Holy, holy, holy Lord  
God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest**

*The Lord's prayer*

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours  
now and for ever. Amen.**

*Breaking of bread*

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.  
**Though we are many, we are one body,  
because we all share in one bread.**

**It's your blood that cleanses me,  
It's your blood that gives me life.  
It's your blood that took my place  
In redeeming sacrifice  
And washes me whiter than the snow,  
Than the snow:  
My Jesus, God's precious sacrifice.**

**Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us  
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.  
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies  
to be a living sacrifice.  
Send us out in the power of your Spirit  
to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen**

**My hope is built on nothing less  
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness,  
I dare not trust the sweetest frame  
But wholly trust is Jesus' name.**

*Christ alone, Cornerstone,  
Weak made strong in the Saviour's love.  
Through the storm he is Lord, Lord of all.*

When darkness seems to hide His face  
I rest on His unchanging grace.  
In every high and stormy gale,  
My anchor holds within the veil.

When he shall come with trumpet sound,  
Oh, may I then in Him be found;  
Dressed in His righteousness alone,  
Faultless, stand before the throne.

*The Blessing*

Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord.  
**In the name of Christ. Amen**