

## Notices and Readings 19 April 2020: Al Saints Stranton and St Luke's Churches

If you can, you are welcome follow Services streaming LIVE from the homes of ministers and worship leaders, on Facebook or Stranton web pages at the times shown below, and afterwards as online videos

### Services Sunday 19 April

9.15am	Eucharist	Mother Gemma	https://www.facebook.com/aidancolumba/
10.00am	Family Communion	Rev Norman	https://www.facebook.com/allsaintsstranton/
3.00pm	Songs of Praise	Apple Tree	https://www.facebook.com/allsaintsstranton/
4.00 p.m.	Messy Church,	Julie	https://www.facebook.com/strantonmessychurch/

Readings for today: Acts 2: 14a, 22-32 and John 20: 19-31 (Full text at the end of the notices)

The words for the Hymns & Songs (at 10 am Parish Eucharist) are also available below.

### **Collect**

Risen Christ, for whom no door is locked, no entrance barred: open the doors of our hearts, that we may seek the good of others and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace, to the praise of God the Father. Amen

#### **Post Communion**

Lord God our Father, through our saviour Jesus Christ you have assured your children of eternal life and in baptism have made us one with him: deliver us from the death of sin and raise us to new life in your love, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

# 8.30am "Zoom" Morning Prayer

A number of us are gathering for online morning prayer each week day at 08:30 (Monday – Friday). You will need an invitation to join this online "zoom" meeting. Please contact David Craig <a href="mailto:craigdanew@gmail.com">craigdanew@gmail.com</a> with your email address if you wish to join (as Rev Norman is on leave this week).

## On line Services 20-25 April

Day	9.15am Mass/Communion	3pm Reflection/Prayer in the afternoon	8pm (8.15 Thurs) Night Prayer
Monday	Mother Gemma Sampson	Mother Gemma Sampson	Rev Andrew Craig
Tuesday	Mother Gemma Sampson	Jess family worship	Rev Clive Hall
Wednesday	Revd Clive Hall	Revd Michelle	Linda Dott
Thursday	Mother Gemma Sampson	Emma Cain	Rev Michelle
Friday	-	Revd Clive Hall	Julia Taylor
Saturday	Mother Gemma Sampson	-	Andrew McAllister

## **Service times Next Sunday, 26 April:** Minister Facebook page

9.00am	Holy Communion (1662)	Rev Michelle	St Luke's
9.15am	Eucharist	Mother Gemma	St Aidan's
10.00am	Morning Worship	Rev Clive	Stranton
3.00pm	Songs of Praise	Andy & Lucy	St Luke's

Weekday and Sunday Services will be streamed on one Facebook page and then shared afterwards

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

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

https://www.facebook.com/stlukeshartlepool

(Also available afterwards <a href="http://stranton-church.org.uk/videos.html">http://stranton-church.org.uk/videos.html</a>)

#### Intercessions

We pray for all who are unwell. We pray for all front line workers in the NHS and elsewhere, and for those in isolation.

We continue to pray for the Hartlepool foodbank and the Poolie Exchange Scheme supporting the vulnerable in our town.

We pray for those who mourn, especially the family and friends of Eunice Wiemer, John Gibson, Pat Dix and Robert Bell. We remember the family and friends of all those others known to us who are grieving at this time.

#### **FIRST READING**

## Acts 2: 14a, 22-32

Peter addresses the crowd

Because he is at my right hand,

I will not be shaken.

- <sup>26</sup> Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices; my body also will rest in hope,
- <sup>27</sup> because you will not abandon me to the realm of the dead, you will not let your holy one see decay.
- <sup>28</sup> You have made known to me the paths of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence."
- <sup>29</sup> 'Fellow Israelites, I can tell you confidently that the patriarch David died and was buried, and his tomb is here to this day. <sup>30</sup> But he was a prophet and knew that God had promised him on oath that he would place one of his descendants on his throne. <sup>31</sup> Seeing what was to come, he spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, that he was not abandoned to the realm of the dead, nor did his body see decay. <sup>32</sup> God has raised this Jesus to life, and we are all witnesses of it.

#### **GOSPEL READING**

John 20: 19-31

Jesus appears to his disciples

<sup>19</sup> On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you!' <sup>20</sup> After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup> Again Jesus said, 'Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you.' <sup>22</sup> And with that he

<sup>21</sup> Again Jesus said, 'Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you.' <sup>22</sup> And with that he breathed on them and said, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup> If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven.'

Jesus appears to Thomas

<sup>24</sup> Now Thomas (also known as Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup> So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord!'

But he said to them, 'Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe.'

<sup>26</sup> A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you!' <sup>27</sup> Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe.'

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> 'Fellow Israelites, listen to this: Jesus of Nazareth was a man accredited by God to you by miracles, wonders and signs, which God did among you through him, as you yourselves know. <sup>23</sup> This man was handed over to you by God's deliberate plan and foreknowledge; and you, with the help of wicked men, put him to death by nailing him to the cross. <sup>24</sup> But God raised him from the dead, freeing him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for death to keep its hold on him. <sup>25</sup> David said about him: "I saw the Lord always before me.

<sup>28</sup> Thomas said to him, 'My Lord and my God!'

The purpose of John's gospel

<sup>30</sup> Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. <sup>31</sup> But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

# Clergy Time away from parish duties

Mon 20 – Sun 26 April Rev Norman

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(During Rev Norman's leave this week enquiries and requests will be covered by Rev Michelle Delves and Rev Clive Hall)

More information can be found on web sites at:

St Luke's www.stlukeshartlepool.org

Stranton <a href="http://www.stranton-church.org">http://www.stranton-church.org</a>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> Then Jesus told him, 'Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.'

# Sunday 19th April 10am songs and hymns

**See what a morning**, gloriously bright, With the dawning of hope in Jerusalem; Folded the grave-clothes, tomb filled with light,

As the angels announce Christ is risen!

See God's salvation plan, wrought in love, Borne in pain, paid in sacrifice, Fulfilled in Christ, the Man, for He lives: Christ is risen from the dead!

See Mary weeping, "Where is He laid?"
As in sorrow she turns from the empty tomb;
Hears a voice speaking, calling her name;
It's the Master, the Lord raised to life again!

The voice that spans the years, Speaking life, stirring hope, bringing peace to us,

Will sound till He appears, for He lives, Christ is risen from the dead!

One with the Father, Ancient of Days, Through the Spirit who clothes faith with certainty,

Honour and blessing, glory and praise To the King crowned with power and authority!

And we are raised with Him, Death is dead, love has won, Christ has conquered;

And we shall reign with Him, for He lives, Christ is risen from the dead!

# **All heaven declares** the glory of the risen Lord:

Who can compare with the beauty of the Lord?

Forever he will be the Lamb upon the throne; I gladly bow the knee and worship him alone.

I will proclaim the glory of the risen Lord; Who once was slain to reconcile us to God. Forever you will be the Lamb upon the throne;

I gladly bow the knee and worship you alone.

# When I survey the wondrous cross

on which the Prince of Glory died; my richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ, my God; all the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his blood.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down. Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown.

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were an offering far too small; love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

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

Jesus lamb of God have mercy on us, Jesus bearer of our sins have mercy on us Jesus redeemer of the world give us your peace, Give us your peace. (twice)

## The greatest day in history

Death is beaten, you have rescued me Sing it out, Jesus is alive! The empty cross, the empty grave Life eternal, you have won the day Shout it out, Jesus is alive. He's alive.

Oh, happy day, happy day! You washed my sin away. Oh, happy day, happy day! I'll never be the same, Forever I am changed.

When I stand in that place, Free at last, meeting face to face, I am yours, Jesus, you are mine. Endless joy, perfect peace, Earthly pain finally will cease, Celebrate, Jesus is alive. He's alive!

Oh, happy day...

Oh, what a glorious day, What a glorious way, That You have saved me! And oh, what a glorious day, What a glorious name! Yeah

O happy day, happy day!
You washed my sin away.
O happy day, happy day!
I'll never be the same.
Love has rescued me,
Forever I am changed.
What a glorious, glorious day:
I'll never be the sa-ame.