



Central Hartlepool Group

One Family, Three Parishes,
Growing the Kingdom.

Notices and Readings 23 January 2022: 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 are streamed LIVE on Facebook and YouTube pages, or via Stranton web pages at the times shown below, and afterwards on YouTube or Facebook.

Sunday 23 January: The third Sunday of Epiphany

Streamed to Facebook/Youtube:

9:00 am	Holy Communion 1, Stranton	Revd Michelle	<i>Stranton</i>
9:15 am	Holy Communion, St Luke's	Revd Clive	
10:45 am	Mass, St Aidan's	Revd Michelle	<i>St Aidan's</i>
11:00 am	Lighthouse Service with Welcomes	Revd Norman, Anita Burke & Rachel Price	<i>Stranton</i>

Readings 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a , Luke 4:14-21.

Wednesday 10.00 am Communion (St Matthews) Revd Clive

Wednesday 9.30 am Holy Communion (St Luke's) Revd Michelle *St Lukes*

Thursday 9:15 am Mass (St Columba) Revd Norman *St Aidan and Columba*

Collect:

Eternal God,
give us insight
to discern your will for us,
to give up what harms us,
and to seek the perfection we are promised
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Post Communion:

Merciful Lord,
grant your people grace to withstand the temptations
of the world, the flesh and the devil,
and with pure hearts and minds to follow you,
the only God;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

ALPHA: Are you or is someone you know interested in exploring the Christian Faith? Rev Clive and Angela Hall are planning to run an Alpha course in the near future. Please let one of the clergy know if you or a friend may be interested in this course.

REFRESHMENTS IN CHURCH: We have decided to continue offering refreshments at the back of Church after the 11am service despite current high levels of corona virus. Once you have your refreshments please move away from the servery area and use the seating area (near the piano): we realise it's cold outside but some might prefer to chat and drink outside and we do understand that some will wish simply to leave after the blessing.

OPEN SKIES FOREST CHURCH meets 2pm Sunday 30th January at St Aidan's School. All welcome. For More information chat with Rachel Price.

1 Corinthians 12:12-31a - Unity and diversity in the body

¹² Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³ For we were all baptised by one Spirit so as to form one body – whether Jews or Gentiles, slave or free – and we were all given the one Spirit to drink. ¹⁴ And so the body is not made up of one part but of many. ¹⁵ Now if the foot should say, ‘Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body,’ it would not for that reason stop being part of the body. ¹⁶ And if the ear should say, ‘Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body,’ it would not for that reason stop being part of the body. ¹⁷ If the whole body were an eye, where would the sense of hearing be? If the whole body were an ear, where would the sense of smell be? ¹⁸ But in fact God has placed the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be. ¹⁹ If they were all one part, where would the body be? ²⁰ As it is, there are many parts, but one body. ²¹ The eye cannot say to the hand, ‘I don’t need you!’ And the head cannot say to the feet, ‘I don’t need you!’ ²² On the contrary, those parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, ²³ and the parts that we think are less honourable we treat with special honour. And the parts that are unpresentable are treated with special modesty, ²⁴ while our presentable parts need no special treatment. But God has put the body together, giving greater honour to the parts that lacked it, ²⁵ so that there should be no division in the body, but that its parts should have equal concern for each other. ²⁶ If one part suffers, every part suffers with it; if one part is honoured, every part rejoices with it. ²⁷ Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it. ²⁸ And God has placed in the church first of all apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then miracles, then gifts of healing, of helping, of guidance, and of different kinds of tongues. ²⁹ Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? ³⁰ Do all have gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? ³¹ Now eagerly desire the greater gifts.

Luke 4:14-21

¹⁴ Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news about him spread through the whole countryside. ¹⁵ He was teaching in their synagogues, and everyone praised him. ¹⁶ He went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day he went into the synagogue, as was his custom. He stood up to read, ¹⁷ and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him. Unrolling it, he found the place where it is written: ¹⁸ ‘The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free, ¹⁹ to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favour.’ ²⁰ Then he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant and sat down. The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on him. ²¹ He began by saying to them, ‘Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing.’

Intercessions

- We pray for Andy, Kati and Eva Walsh now in Brazil to commence their new ministry.
- We pray for peace where there is conflict, relief for refugees and the dispossessed, freedom for the oppressed.
- We pray for unity between Christians. We pray for all Churches in Hartlepool and for Churches Together Hartlepool. We pray for our joint outreach including the Foodbank and Town Pastors.
- We pray for the appointment of a new Group incumbent to be inspired led and guided by the Holy Spirit
- We pray for our national and local leaders, give wisdom in decisions about the Covid pandemic.
- We pray for the care of all who continue to be 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 Aneta, Emma and Jo, our Communities of Hope team as their work continues amongst the needy in our community.
- 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 Audrey, Hans, Marty and Karen.
- We pray for all those who mourn, especially the family and friends of Barbara , Joan Noble and James Coltman.

ATTENDING CHURCH FOR WORSHIP - COVID-19 is still with us -

- The government has reintroduced a legal requirement for people **to wear a face mask in public places including places of worship (unless exempted)** and to keep social distance. In order to protect ourselves and others, please act with consideration towards others, especially the vulnerable.
- Although this legal requirement may soon be lifted we will still encourage safe and considerate behaviour
- Please do not attend church if you have cold or flu-like symptoms/raised temperature
- If you are attending, please come early to avoid congestion and delays at the entrance as the service starts.
- Children under 11 are not required to wear a face mask, nor those medically exempted
- Please sanitise your 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.
- Holy Communion is offered by intinction (wafer dipped in wine).
- The Sunday 11 am service will be displayed on the screens: booklets are now in use again at 9 am
- Singing is now allowed. If you would like to join in singing, we politely ask you to wear a mask. (Continued)
- After the service, please meet continuing to maintain distance and allowing other people to leave
- 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 people from that service can be advised.
- There will not be a collection taken but you may leave an offertory in the basket as you come in.

OTHER NOTICES:

PCC: Meets on Tuesday 25th January at 7.30pm, on "Zoom" PCC members will receive a link by email, it may be possible for any who do not have the technology to meet up privately in order to participate.

Sunday Club News

The current rates of coronavirus are still high in Hartlepool. The Sunday club leaders have therefore taken the decision not to hold Sunday club this month. This decision will be reviewed at the end of January.

Kate: *Stranton Sunday Club Leader*

Norman: *Vicar*

ST LUKE'S COFFEE MORNING: Saturday 29th January. One of the stalls will be an unwanted gift stall. Please bring in anything you don't have a use for, (or "spare" chocolates)!

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 23 January 2022 (Facebook addresses are below).

- The Wednesday 9.30 communion from St Luke's and the Thursday 9.15 Mass from St Columba's will be streamed.
- If you would like to access a night prayer **Lectio 365 have daily night prayer** accessible by down loading the app. The Church of England has also introduced an audio version of Morning Prayer.
- Zoom Morning Prayer is online from 8.30 - 9.00am Monday to Friday. Contact Revd Norman for details.

Streaming 11:00 am Sunday Services

The 11:00am service is now being streamed to <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCMNoiSa2KGgGWkzli62VFCa>

A link will be shared on Facebook.

9:00 am Holy Communion is streamed via our Facebook page (below)

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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