Central Hartlepool Group

One Family, Three Parishes,
Growing the Kingdom.

Welcome to Stranton All Saints

Sunday 27th September 2026

Rooted in God's love, Growing together with Jesus,
Branching out in the Power of the Holy Spirit

Collect for Harvest

Creator God, you made the goodness of the land,
the riches of the sea and the rhythm of the seasons;
as we thank you for the harvest,
may we cherish and respect this planet and its peoples,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Today's services – Harvest (Green)

This week's readings: **Deuteronomy 8:7-18, 2 Corinthians9:6-end, Luke12:16-30**

9:00am: Holy Communion (Revd John)

11:00 am: Harvest Morning Worship (Revd John)

Refreshments are served after all our services. Do stay and join us if you can.

Services across the Central Hartlepool Group

Sunday 9:15am: Holy Communion, St Luke's (Revd Claire)

Sunday 10:30am: Sung Mass, St Aidan's

Tuesday 9:15am: Midweek Mass, St Columba's

Wednesday 10:00am: Midweek BCP, St Luke's

Wednesday 6:00pm: Bread for the Soul, St Aidan's

For info: achurchnearyou.com or Facebook pages

OCTOBER'S 'SIGNPOST': Our latest issue is available from the back of church now. **From Sunday 4th October we will be Returning to the Common Cup** – please read Revd John's article in the October magazine which provides more information about this

The Funeral of the late Eva Busby (longstanding member of Stranton Church) will be taking place in Stranton Church at **12noon on Monday 5th October.** The family of Eva warmly invite those who knew Eva to come along to the funeral service to give thanks for her life.

At St Matthew's Community Centre

Coffee & Cake: Saturday 3rd October 2:00pm to 4:00pm in aid of the Macmillan Coffee Morning Appeal 2026. Cakes will be for sale and a box available for donations. Cakes (and donations) will be gratefully received.

Stranton Toddlers: Tuesdays, 9:00 to 11:00 (term time only)

The **4th Hartlepool Boys Brigade:**

Juniors (ages 8-11) **Monday 7th, 6:30 – 8:00pm**

Anchors (ages 5½-8) **Friday 11th, 6:00-7:00pm**

Company Section (ages 11+) **Friday 18th, 7:15-9:00pm**

Subs £2. New Members Welcome

Rainbows, Brownies, Guides, and **Rangers** meet Mondays:

Rainbows (ages 4-7) **5:30-6:30pm** – **Brownies** (ages 7-10) **6:00-7:15pm**

Guides (ages 10-14) **7:00-8:30pm** – **Rangers** (ages 14-18) **7:00-8:30pm**

New Members Welcome

Save the date! 900th Anniversary Events

Saturday 10th October: Family Quiz Night, 5pm to 6:30pm @ Stranton Church, everyone welcome. Adults £4.00 & Families £8.00 including food. Tickets available.

Coming Up

Saturday 26th September: Harvest Agape (Bring & Share) Meal **4pm at St Luke's**, with a time of fellowship and celebration of God's love for us.
Sunday 27th September: Harvest Services (with collections and donations of nonperishable foods for Hartlepool Foodbank). The Boys Brigade will be offering Bacon Butties at St Matthew's between 10am to 10:45am
Wednesday 30th September: Prayer Meeting at Stranton 6.00pm. Everyone welcome as we pray for our churches, and our community

New to Stranton Church? Please take a copy of '**Signpost**' our church magazine. We'd love to keep in touch. Feel free to complete a **Welcome contact card** and then pass it onto clergy/churchwarden.

Please continue to pray for:

The ongoing work of our **CMS Mission Partners**, especially Andy, (with Kati, and Eva) serving out in Brazil.

Our schools & colleges, local businesses, aid agencies, and health & social care services across our town as they seek to work with, and support those in, our communities.

The **ongoing conflict** in the world around us, especially in Ukraine, and the Middle East. And for our brothers and sisters in Christ suffering **persecution** for their faith.

For our **Prime Minister**, Andy Burnham, his Cabinet, and all who serve in government at either a national or local level.

Renewed vision – in our churches, in our prayers, in our own discipleship and faith; for new people coming to know Jesus.

All who are struggling with health concerns or financial worries, or who are grieving the loss of loved ones.

We support the **Central Hartlepool Group Mission Project -** activities/services through the week.
For info: check out the Facebook page or contact the Mission Enabler: *patrick@hartlepoolcoh.co.uk*

If you'd like to give any foodbank donations, please leave them in the box at the back of church.

Hartlepool Foodbank
Together with Trussell

Thank you: to everyone who currently gives financially to the church. If you would like to give too, there is a collection basket on your way in and out of church, as well as a contactless machine, or you can give online or through the Parish Giving Scheme – details at the back of church.

Key contacts:

If you have a **Safeguarding** concern, please contact:
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Beth Miller, Diocesan Safeguarding Officer
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Revd John Bell, Priest-In-Charge:
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Revd Claire Mead, Curate: 07598 070481
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Other clergy & churchwarden/activity contacts are in 'Signpost' or at:
www.stranton-church.org.uk