



Central Hartlepool Group

One Family, Three Parishes,
Growing the Kingdom.

Notices and Reading 1st August 2021: All Saints, Stranton Church

God's Blessing as we gather and sing 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.

Ninth Sunday after Trinity (Green)

Streamed to Facebook...

9:00 am	Holy Communion, Stranton	Revd Michelle/Rachel	Stranton
9:15 am	Holy Communion, St Luke's	Revd Clive	
10:45 am	Mass, St Aidan's	Mother Gemma	St Aidan's
11:00 am	Family Communion, Stranton Plus Sunday Club	Revd Michelle/Rachel	Stranton
2:00 pm	Sunday Club on-line with Kate (https://www.facebook.com/strantonsundayclub/)		

Readings: Ephesians 4: 1-16 John 6: 35, 41-51

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

Readings and prayers for Sunday worship are below. We are not now reproducing the whole service sheet as church is open for worship and streamed online

Collect for Trinity 9 :

Gracious Father,
revive your Church in our day,
and make her holy, strong and faithful,
for your glory's sake
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Post Communion :

Holy Father,
who gathered us here around the table of your Son
to share this meal with the whole household of
God:
in that new world where you reveal the fullness of
your peace,
gather people of every race and language
to share in the eternal banquet of Jesus Christ our
Lord.

Amen



Ephesians 4: 1-16 (NIVUK)

As a prisoner for the Lord, then, I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received. ² Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. ³ Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. ⁴ There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to one hope when you were called; ⁵ one Lord, one faith, one baptism; ⁶ one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

⁷ But to each one of us grace has been given as Christ apportioned it. ⁸ This is why it says:

“When he ascended on high, he took many captives and gave gifts to his people.”

⁹ (What does “he ascended” mean except that he also descended to the lower, earthly regions? ¹⁰ He who descended is the very one who ascended higher than all the heavens, in order to fill the whole universe.)

¹¹ So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, ¹² to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up ¹³ until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.

¹⁴ Then we will no longer be infants, tossed back and forth by the waves, and blown here and there by every wind of teaching and by the cunning and craftiness of people in their deceitful scheming. ¹⁵ Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ. ¹⁶ From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work.

John 6: 35, 41-51 (NIVUK)

³⁵ Then Jesus declared, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

⁴¹ At this the Jews there began to grumble about him because he said, “I am the bread that came down from heaven.” ⁴² They said, “Is this not Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, ‘I came down from heaven’?”

⁴³ “Stop grumbling among yourselves,” Jesus answered. ⁴⁴ “No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws them, and I will raise them up at the last day. ⁴⁵ It is written in the Prophets: ‘They will all be taught by God.’ Everyone who has heard the Father and learned from him comes to me. ⁴⁶ No one has seen the Father except the one who is from God; only he has seen the Father. ⁴⁷ Very truly I tell you, the one who believes has eternal life. ⁴⁸ I am the bread of life. ⁴⁹ Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, yet they died. ⁵⁰ But here is the bread that comes down from heaven, which anyone may eat and not die.

⁵¹ I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats this bread will live forever. This bread is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world.”

Intercessions

- We pray for your peace, justice and reconciliation where there is conflict and division among the nations, praying for the situation in Israel and the Palestinian Territories, and for South Africa.
- 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 and clarity in official guidance for safety and recovery; 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, Jess 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 to act with care and consideration for 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:

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.

Stranton Sunday Club Online

Please join us for our Sunday club on Sunday. We are having a celebration and looking at the story of Noah's Ark. We will be having some snacks and everyone is encouraged to dress up as an animal e.g. ears, full costume, whiskers or an animal themed top. It will be our last Sunday club until September. Our Covid safe rules will be in place as usual.

Kate. Stranton Sunday Club Leader

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/1Zw4Y2ZL5bIsVCsZqfgOsABkFn0yh26MH5zJBwvIDck8/edit>

and email Rachel with any questions: rachel@stranton-church.org.uk

Link to sponsorship page to be circulated shortly.

VACANCY: as Mother Gemma leaves for Australia there is now a vacancy in the Central Hartlepool Group of Churches. The Group Council met on Tuesday to begin the process of seeking a new priest for the Central Hartlepool Group. Stranton PCC will work with the other two PCCs in the process of discerning the shape of the future post 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.

Faculty application: Audio Visual Project

A faculty application for the installation of permanent display screens in church is now at the consultation stage. We are now very used to projection of service liturgy and other visual material and the current temporary portable screens present us with some problems, including some safety issues. Because of the lockdown you may not have had opportunity to consider this matter fully.

If you want to know more or take this final opportunity to make any comments or have any particular views, or wish to raise any objection please let Norman, Peter or Rohan know or contact the Diocesan Faculty team before **6 August. The Public Notice is displayed outside and inside church.**

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.

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 1st 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 online audio versions of Morning and evening Prayer.
- Zoom Morning Prayer at 8.30am Monday to Friday. Contact Revd Norman or David Craig for details.

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)

Parish Contacts: Church office please telephone or email.

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