

THE PARISHES OF JARROW AND SIMONSIDE



We, the Parishes of Jarrow and Simonside, will share our faith, hope and love in God with all, through our worship, witness and service.

2nd SUNDAY OF EASTER - 8 APRIL 2018

Welcome to our parish worship today. Children are most welcome at all our services and there are some colouring/puzzle sheets and busy bags available for them. Please feel free to let them move around as the need arises.

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.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Lord, through faith and baptism we have become a new creation.
Accept the offerings of your people and bring us to eternal redemption.
Grant this through Christ our Lord.

PRAYER AFTER 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

READING: Acts 4: 32-35

The whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, or as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

Psalm 133

R: How good and pleasant it is to live together in unity.

READING: 1 John 1: 1 – 2:2

We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life – this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us – we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete. This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us. My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

GOSPEL: John 20: 19-end

It was evening on the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.' But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.' A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.' Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Our prayers are asked:

For Nathan Rice, Cheryl Rice and Jose Andre Santos Mendoza who were baptized at St. Paul's yesterday

For Lexie Lidonya and Lily Elizabeth McDonald, and Logan Billy Sutherby, and their family and friends, as they come for Baptism at 1pm at St. John's today

For Revd. Lizzie as she prepares for her move to Scotland

For those who will be ministering at St Simon's during their vacancy.

For all visitors to St Paul's, and for our St Paul's volunteers

For all seeking baptism and confirmation, especially those within our parishes.

For all recently bereaved and those housebound

At the funeral service for Betty Brown on 23 January, an amount of £683 was collected. This was sent to the Parkinson's Society, South Shields.

We give thanks to God for all his gifts, and seek to respond in generosity of life. During our service today a collection will be taken during the 'Offertory Hymn' – No cash in your pocket? – please text JARR17 £5 (or £10, £4, £3, £2, £1) to 70070 (Just Giving) (before or after the service)

Confirmation The Jarrow Deanery Confirmation Service will be in St Paul's on Saturday 16 June at 6pm.

9 O'clock Coffee Stop. Thursdays 9.00am. – 11.00am. is our weekly open house drop-in at St John the Baptist Church Hall. All are welcome for coffee/teas and chat, all ages welcome. Coffee Stop will resume on 19th.

The Knit, Natter and Play Group meet in St. John's Hall on Tuesdays at 2pm. All are welcome to come along and join them.

The Innocent Big Knit. The Knit, Natter and Play Group is supporting this year's Age UK project to raise funds by knitting small hats, patterns from Susan Short (St. Paul's).

Revd Jonny is taking his post-Easter break this week.

Sincere thanks to Ray Blakey for all his work rejuvenating the floor in St Peter's hall. Thanks also to all who contributed, in so many different ways, to our Holy Week and Easter services.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 9 April 2pm – 4pm. Hymnathon and Afternoon Tea at St. Peter's. Tickets £5.

Tuesday 10 April – 6pm. – St. Peter's. Jarrow PCC meeting to agree accounts, reports, and Electoral Roll.

Saturday 14 April – 9.30am for 10am till 12 Noon, West Harton Methodist Church. Nurturing Spirituality in Dementia. See poster at back of church.

Thursday 19 April – 7pm. – St. Simon's. Jarrow Choral Society Easter Concert.

Sunday 22 April – St. George's Day – Dedication Festival at St. Paul's. (St. John's 9am., St. Simon's 9.15am., St. Peter's 11am., St. Paul's)

Wednesday 25 April – 7pm. Jarrow Annual Parochial Church Meeting, and election of Church Wardens. Nominations required for Church Warden, District Churchwarden, and 1 PCC member for each church.

Iona Trip – 17 to 25 October. There are still THREE places available if anyone is interested. See Susan Short.

Parish Office hours are Monday – Thursday 10.00am -12.30pm; Thursday 6.30 – 7.30pm
You can make enquiries about marriage services, marriage banns or baptism (Christening) by email (jarrowparish@yahoo.co.uk) or leave a phone message 0191 489 1925 if the office is closed.

For further information see the parish website: www.jarrowparish.info

Church Wardens: Rita Blakey, Frederick Hemmer

District Wardens: Carol Cowen (St John's),
Ray Beck (St Paul's), Christine Smith (St Peter's)

Parish Safeguarding Officer: Andrew Lamb. Tel: (07968 840201)

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SERVICES AND EVENTS THIS WEEK

Monday 9 April: Annunciation of Our Lord to the Blessed Virgin Mary

Intention: Those discerning God's call on their lives

8.15am. Morning Prayer (St. Paul's)
2.00pm. Hymnathon and Afternoon Tea (St. Peter's)
7.00pm. Parish Prayer Group meets (6 Clennel Grove, Hebburn)

Tuesday 10 April: William Law, priest, spiritual writer, 1761; *William of Ockham, friar, philosopher, teacher of the faith, 1347*

Intention: Victims of torture; Jarrow PCC

9.00am. Morning Prayer (St. Peter's)
10.00am. Holy Eucharist (St Peter's)
2.00pm. Knit, Natter and Play Group (St. John's Hall)
6.00pm. Jarrow PCC meets (St. Peter's)

Wednesday 11 April. *George Selwyn, bishop, 1878*

Intention: The Church in New Zealand

9.00am. Morning Prayer (St. Simon's)
10.00am. Holy Eucharist (St. Simon's)
12 Noon. Holy Eucharist (BCP) (St. Paul's)

Thursday 12 April. *Feria in Eastertide*

Intention: Organisations who exist to help others

8.00am. Morning Prayer (St. John's)
10.00am. Holy Eucharist (St. John's)

Friday 13 April. *Feria in Eastertide* Intention: Preachers and Teachers

No Morning Prayer in Church

Saturday 14 April. *Feria in Eastertide*

Intention: Parish Wardens; APAs

9.00am Morning Prayer (St. Paul's)

NEXT SUNDAY 15 April: 3rd Sunday of Easter

Intention: Our Parishes; Church Growth

9.00am. Parish Eucharist (St. John's)
9.15am. Holy Eucharist (St. Simon's)
11.00am. Parish Eucharist (St. Peter's)
11.00am. Parish Eucharist (St. Paul's)

Next Sunday's Readings:

Acts 3: 12-19; Psalm 4; 1 John 3: 1-7; Luke 24: 36b-48 .

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