

# SAINT PAUL, WHITLEY BAY

3<sup>RD</sup> AND 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAYS BEFORE LENT

16<sup>TH</sup> AND 23<sup>RD</sup> FEBRUARY 2025

*Welcome to your newsletter, which covers a period of two weeks.*

*Please use it to help in your prayers each day.*

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## **Collect, readings & hymns for 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday before Lent, 16<sup>th</sup> February**

**Collect:** Almighty God, who alone can bring order to the unruly wills and passions of sinful humanity: give your people grace so to love what you command and to desire what you promise, that, among the many changes of this world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### **Readings:**

Jeremiah 17: 5 – 10

1 Corinthians 15: 12 – 20

### **Gospel:**

Luke 6: 17 – 26

### **Hymns:** *Hymns Ancient and Modern*

336 All my hope on God is founded;

238 Blest are the pure in heart,

115 Dear Lord and Father of mankind,

392 Lord Jesus, once you spoke to men

205 Now thank we all our God,

## **Collect, readings & hymns for 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday before Lent, 23<sup>rd</sup> February**

**Collect:** Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the earth and made us in your own image: teach us to discern your hand in all your works and your likeness in all your children; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### **Readings:**

Genesis 2: 4 – 9 & 15 – 25

Revelation 4:

### **Gospel:**

Luke 8: 22 – 25

### **Hymns:** *Mission Praise*

237 Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!

379 Jesus shall reign where'er the sun

400 Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us

555 Peace, perfect peace,

122 Eternal Father, strong to save,

## Intercessions and intentions for the next two weeks

**Please pray for all those on our prayer lists, especially:**

**Sunday Prayer list:** Jan Casey, Sarah Coxon, Jane Park, Cathy West, Hazel Welsh, Lucy Proctor, Barbara Hepworth, Karl Routledge-Wilson, Alison Jackson, Fr Gavin, Rabija, Catherine, Roger.

**Wednesday Prayer list:** Rocco Allan, Michael Bradley, Christine Deighton, Pat Eilback, David Hall, Deborah Henderson, Kay Lutz, Pam MacKenzie, Terry Mason, Sue Simpkin, David Simms, Maureen, Marie, Lottie, Tony

**The recently departed:** David Grundy

**Those whose anniversaries of death fall at this time:**

**Week beginning 15<sup>th</sup> February:** Kenneth Scanlon, John Watson, Arthur Woods, Olive Adams, Jack Fairlamb, James Salmon, Muriel Brady, Sally Lamb, Ann Matheson, Cordelia Gifford, Richard Little

**Week beginning 23<sup>rd</sup> February:** Peter Rendell, John Leslie Graham, James Keen, Sheila Thursfield, Gordon Ash, Alice Stephenson, Isobel Squire, Beth Anderson, Ruth Pescod, Margaret Simpson, Robert Stroud

<b>Prayer intentions for week commencing 16<sup>th</sup> February</b>		
Sun 16	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday before Lent</b>	<i>The Parish</i>
Mon 17	Of the day	<i>Anthony Nolan Trust</i>
Tue 18	Of the day	<i>Veterinary surgeons</i>
Wed 19	Of the day	<i>Criminal Justice Service</i>
Thur 20	Of the day	<i>Bedlington Deanery</i>
Fri 21	Of the day	<i>Cullercoats Educational Trust</i>
Sat 22	Of the day	<i>Local Councillors</i>

<b>Prayer intentions for week commencing 23<sup>rd</sup> February</b>		
Sun 23	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday before Lent</b>	<i>The Parish</i>
Mon 24	Of the day	<i>Paramedics</i>
Tue 25	Of the day	<i>Our PCC</i>
Wed 26	Of the day	<i>Social Services</i>
Thur 27	George Herbert	<i>Our choir and organist</i>
Fri 28	Of the day	<i>Librarians</i>
Sat 29	St David	<i>Wales</i>

### Services for the next two weeks

All Eucharist services held in church (except 8.30am on Sundays) are livestreamed & recorded via our YouTube channel: [www.bit.ly/OurStream](http://www.bit.ly/OurStream)

**Morning Prayer at St Paul's:** Monday to Thursday at 8.30am  
**Saturday Prayer at St Paul's** Saturday at 9.30am  
**Contemplative Prayer group** Friday at 2.30pm  
**St Paul's open for private prayer:** Saturday from 10am to 11am

Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> Feb	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday before Lent	Holy Communion (BCP) 8.30am Sung Eucharist 10am Healing service 6pm
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> Feb		Eucharist 10am
Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> Feb	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday before Lent	Holy Communion (BCP) 8.30am Sung Eucharist 10am Encounter 6pm
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> Feb		Eucharist 10am
Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	Sunday next before Lent	Holy Communion (BCP) 8.30am Sung Eucharist 10am Choral Evensong (BCP) 6pm

### Dates for your diary

Study sessions: <i>Christians and the Environment</i>	Saturdays 10am to 11am
2025 APCM reports deadline	Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> February
CET applications deadline	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> February
St Paul's PCC meeting	Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> February 7pm
Memory café at Big Local	Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> February 2pm to 3.30pm
Pancakes and Mission Action Plan	Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> March 7pm
Soup and Roll Lent Lunches	Saturdays 8 <sup>th</sup> March to 5 <sup>th</sup> April 12 noon
Lent Bible Study	Saturdays 8 <sup>th</sup> March to 5 <sup>th</sup> April 10am
Lent course	Thursdays 6 <sup>th</sup> March to 10 <sup>th</sup> April 7pm
St Paul's APCM	Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March 11.30am

## Notices

**Christians and the Environment Bible study series:** the final 2 sessions looking at key issues as to how our Scriptures and our faith can help us respond to today's environmental issues. Saturdays 10am to 11am, Session 7: *Food* on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> February and Session 8: *Environmental and sustainable development* on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> March.

**Pancakes and Mission Action Plan:** Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> March (Shrove Tuesday) at 7pm in the Parish Centre. We will be discussing the Mission and Ministry of our Church and enjoy pancakes as we prepare for the beginning of Lent.

**Lent Course:** *Reflections about Reconciliation*. Joint Lent Course with St Peter's and St Mary's Monkseaton. We will explore different aspects of Reconciliation during 6 sessions held each Thursday at 7pm in Lent. Light refreshments will be served at the end of each session for some time of fellowship. Everyone welcome.

6 <sup>th</sup> March	St Mary's Monkseaton	<i>Reconciliation and self</i>
13 <sup>th</sup> March	St Paul's Whitley Bay	<i>Reconciliation and God</i>
20 <sup>th</sup> March	St Peter's Monkseaton	<i>Reconciliation and Justice</i>
27 <sup>th</sup> March	St Mary's Monkseaton	<i>Reconciliation and the Environment</i>
3 <sup>rd</sup> April	St Paul's Whitley Bay	<i>Reconciliation and Family</i>
10 <sup>th</sup> April	St Peter's Monkseaton	<i>When you cannot reconcile</i>

Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> April at 12noon Eucharist at St Paul's Whitley Bay followed by 'bring and share' lunch

**Lent Bible Study at St Paul's:** every Saturday during Lent we will have a group discussion/Bible Study on the Gospel readings for each Sunday during Lent at the back of church from 10am to 11am. All welcome.

**Lent soup and roll lunches:** During this Lent we will be having our traditional Lent lunches to raise funds for local charities: Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> March until Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> April from 12noon to 2pm in the Parish Centre.

**St Paul's retreat:** we are planning a retreat at Shepherd's Dene near Riding Mill in Northumberland to spend time together, allowing us to get to know each other, and God, better. The retreat will run 2<sup>nd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> May 2025. John and Mairi will lead the retreat. Please speak to Mairi if you are interested.

**Cullercoats Educational Trust:** The deadline for the submission of applications to be considered at the next meeting is Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2025. Please send applications to Mary Evans at [maryevans14@btinternet.com](mailto:maryevans14@btinternet.com)

<p><b>Bay Foodbank:</b> the need for donations continues to be very high and they are currently requesting donations particularly of tinned tomatoes and pasta sauce. Thank you</p>
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**Newsletter entries:** for the next newsletter please pass them to Mary Evans by 6pm on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2025, by phone on 0191 252 1424 or by email to [maryevans14@btinternet.com](mailto:maryevans14@btinternet.com)