

SAINT PAUL, WHITLEY BAY

4TH AND 5TH SUNDAYS OF EASTER

21ST AND 28TH APRIL 2024

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 4th Sunday of Easter, 21st April

Collect: Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life: raise us, who trust in him, from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, that we may seek those things which are above, where he reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

Readings:

Acts 4: 5 – 12
1 John 3: 16 – 24

Hymns: *New English Hymnal*

Great is thy faithfulness (words on sheet)
457 The King of love my Shepherd is,
461 There's a wideness in God's mercy
307 Sweet Sacrament divine,
205 Christ is made the sure foundation,

Gospel:

John 10: 11 – 18

Collect, readings & hymns for 5th Sunday of Easter, 28th April

Collect: Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: grant that, as by your grace going before us you put into our minds good desires, so by your continual help we may bring them to good effect; through Jesus Christ our risen Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Readings:

Acts 8: 26 – 40
1 John 4: 7 – 21

Hymns: *Mission Praise!*

689 Thine be the glory, risen, conquering
Son,
792 You are the Vine,
431 Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour,
I, the Lord of sea and sky (words on sheet)
449 Love divine, all loves excelling,

Gospel:

John 15: 1 – 8

Intercessions and intentions for the next two weeks

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

Sunday Prayer list: Ray Rutherford, Rachel Packham, Alison Jackson, Jan Swanston, Yvonne Paul, Maureen Moore, Paul Kimmett, Kay Lutz, Catherine, Chris, Gill.

Wednesday Prayer list: Rocco Allan, Richard Allen, Michael Bradley, Ann Campbell, Christine Deighton, Shirley Foster, Deborah Henderson, Pam MacKenzie, Terry Mason, Sue Simpkin, David Simms, Celia Temple, Louisa, Maureen, Alice, Marie, Lottie, Tony, Antony, Paul.

The recently departed:

Those whose anniversaries of death fall at this time:

Week beginning 21st April: Arthur Woods, Alice Woods, Dora Hoggan, Audrey Thursfield, Doris Richardson, Lewis Richardson, Sheila Jackson, Margery Simpson, Gordon Taylor, Jane Anne Lang, Miriam Dean, Olive Jepson, Lucy Parkinson, Mavis, Rutherford, Chris Heptonstall, Jim McIntyre.

Week beginning 28th April: Geoffrey, O'Connell, Miriam Gay, Doreen Nichol, David Jepson, Cecil Price, Mary Helena Vickers, Bill Brough, Hannah Grimwood.

Prayer intentions for week commencing 21st April		
Sun 21	4th Sunday of Easter	<i>The Parish</i>
Mon 22	In Eastertide	<i>Environmental projects</i>
Tue 23	St George	<i>England</i>
Wed 24	In Eastertide	<i>Dental professionals</i>
Thur 25	St Mark	<i>Evangelists</i>
Fri 26	In Eastertide	<i>Local businesses</i>
Sat 27	In Eastertide	<i>Our church fair</i>

Prayer intentions for week commencing 28th March		
Sun 28	5th Sunday of Easter	<i>The Parish</i>
Mon 29	Catherine of Sienna	<i>Teachers of the faith</i>
Tue 30	In Eastertide	<i>Our families</i>
Wed 1 May	St Philip & St James	<i>Nigel Taylor Tynemouth Area Dean</i>
Thur 2	St Athanasius	<i>Theologians</i>
Fri 3	In Eastertide	<i>Firefighters</i>
Sat 4	English Saints & Martyrs of the Reformation	<i>All who are persecuted for their faith</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

Morning Prayer at St Paul's:	Mondays to Wednesdays at 8.30am
Morning Prayer at St Peter's:	Thursdays at 8.30am
Saturday Prayer at St Paul's	Saturdays at 9.30am
Evening Prayer at St Paul's:	Tuesdays to Thursdays at 5pm
St Paul's open for private prayer:	Saturdays from 10am to 11am
St Paul's Bible Study:	Saturdays 10am to 11am
St Paul's Sunday Club:	Activities for children in the Parish Centre (during term times) or at the back of church during each Sunday 10am service

Please note: there will no morning prayer on Saturday 27 th April.
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Sunday 21 st April	4 th Sunday of Easter	Holy Communion (BCP) 8.30am Sung Eucharist 10am Iona Evening Prayer 6pm
Tuesday 23 rd April	St George	Eucharist 10am
Wednesday 24 th April		Eucharist 10am
Thursday 25 th April	St Mark the Evangelist	Eucharist 10am
Sunday 28 th April	5 th Sunday of Easter	Holy Communion (BCP) 8.30am Sung Eucharist 10am Healing service 6pm
Wednesday 1 st May	St Philip and St James	Eucharist 10am
Sunday 5 th May	6 th Sunday of Easter Rogation Sunday	Holy Communion (BCP) 8.30am Sung Eucharist 10am Choral Evensong 6pm

Dates for your diary

Memory Café at Big Local	Thursday 25 th April 2pm to 3.30pm
Spring Fair at St Paul's	Saturday 27 th April 10am to 2pm
Monday Group social	Monday 6 th May 7pm for 7.30pm
Bible study: <i>Roads of Hurt and Hope</i>	Saturdays 4 th & 18 th May, 1 st & 15 th June & 6 th July 10am to 11am
Bible study: <i>King David</i>	Saturdays 11 th & 25 th May, 8 th & 22 nd June & 13 th July 10am to 11am
Readers & intercessors workshop	Tuesday 14 th May 7pm
Murder at St Paul's	Saturday 25 th May 7pm
Pimm and hymns	Wednesday 5 th June 6pm

Notices

St Paul's Bible study: the Bible Study groups will resume on Saturday 4th May. Once again two groups will run on alternate Saturdays from 10am to 11am. One group will follow Andrew Mayes' book *Roads of Hurt and Hope* and the other will look at the life of King David. See the insert for dates and further details.

St Paul's PCC: met on 9th April to appoint the officers and composition of the sub-committees and working groups of the PCC: the insert with this newsletter shows the members of the new PCC and their appointed roles.

Memory Café at Big Local: the next café will be held on Thursday April 25th, 2pm to 3.30pm.

St Paul's Spring Fair: 27th April. The Spring Fair will be held in church and the Parish Centre from 10am to 2pm on Saturday April 27th. There will be refreshments with bacon butties, lots of stalls - cakes, books, bric-a-brac, tombola, crafts - a raffle, children's singing activities and lots more. Everyone is invited to come along, find a bargain and help raise money for St Paul's.

New Area Dean: the Revd Nigel Taylor will be commissioned Area Dean of Tynemouth Deanery on Wednesday 1st May at St Mary's Monkseaton at 7.30pm. Everyone welcome.

Readers and intercessors workshop: There will be a taster workshop for anyone interested in doing Bible readings or leading intercessions in church, on Tuesday 14th May, from 7pm to about 8:15pm in church. Working in small groups led by clergy and Readers, you'll be able to try out both reading and interceding, and then decide if either (or both) might be something you'd like to pursue. You can sign up for this event by speaking to the Vicar by Sunday 12th May.

Murder at St Paul's: have you got what it takes to solve a murder? Join us for a social evening of mystery and murder! Saturday 25th May 7pm. See Revd Mairi for further details.

Pimms and hymns: join us for an hour of classic hymn singing on a summer's evening while enjoying a refreshing drink on Wednesday 5th June at 6pm. Open to everyone – it doesn't matter if you haven't sung since school, just come along and give it a go! See Revd Mairi for further information.

St Paul's 160th anniversary: plans are already underway for celebrating this anniversary. Dates for your diary include Sunday 1st September when Bishop Helen-Ann will be at St Paul's and Saturday 7th September when there will be a community picnic and songs and praise style hymn singing event.

Newsletter entries: for the next newsletter please pass them to Mary Evans **by 6pm on Friday 3rd May 2024**, by phone on 0191 252 1424 or by email to saintpaulswhitleybay@gmail.com