

SAINT PAUL, WHITLEY BAY

2ND AND 3RD SUNDAYS OF EASTER

27TH APRIL AND 4TH MAY 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 2nd Sunday of Easter, 27th April

Collect: Almighty Father, you have given your only Son to die for our sins and to rise again for our justification: grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness that we may always serve you in pureness of living and truth; through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Readings:

Acts 5: 27 – 32

Revelation 1: 4 – 8

Gospel:

John 20: 19 – 31

Hymns: *New English Hymnal*

110 Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluya!

114 Now is eternal life,

106 Come ye faithful, raise the strain

121 This joyful Eastertide,

296 Lord, enthroned in heavenly
splendour,

Collect, readings & hymns for 3rd Sunday of Easter, 4th May

Collect: Almighty Father, who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples with the sight of the risen Lord: give us such knowledge of his presence with us, that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life and serve you continually in righteousness and truth; 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:

Acts 9: 1 – 6

Revelation 5: 11 – 14

Gospel:

John 21: 1 – 19

Hymns: *New English Hymnal*

486 We have a gospel to proclaim,

345 Christ is the king, O friends rejoice!

271 Alleluya, sing to Jesus,

125 Ye sons and daughters of the King,

124 Ye choirs of New Jerusalem,

Intercessions and intentions for the next two weeks

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

Sunday Prayer list: Jan Casey, Cathy West, Hazel Welsh, Lucy Proctor, Sue Bale, Joan Trainor, Bob Moore, Bruce Thompson, Fr Gavin, Elma, Catherine, Jan, Roger, Mollie

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

The recently departed: Angela Allan, Pope Francis

Those whose anniversaries of death fall at this time:

Week beginning 27th April: Jim McIntyre, Geoffrey O'Connell, Miriam Gay, Mary Vickers, Cecil Price, David Jepson, Bill Brough

Week beginning 4th May: Hannah Grimwood, Albert Craggs, John Barber, Howard Jones, Jim Hardcastle, Nan Wolverson, Stanley Wood, Donald Tittley, Kenneth Bradley, Jack Wolverson, Rita Bell, Doris Purdy, Gerard Sparrow, Joan Small

Prayer intentions for week commencing 27 th April		
Sun 27	2nd Sunday of Easter	<i>The Parish</i>
Mon 28	In Eastertide	<i>St George</i>
Tue 29	In Eastertide	<i>St Mark</i>
Wed 30	In Eastertide	<i>Those living with dementia</i>
Thu 1 May	St Philip and St James	<i>Bishop Helen-Ann and Bishop Mark</i>
Fri 2	St Athanasius	<i>Theologians.</i>
Sat 3	In Eastertide	<i>Delivery drivers</i>

Prayer intentions for week commencing 4 th May		
Sun 4	3rd Sunday of Easter	<i>The Parish</i>
Mon 5	In Eastertide	<i>Firefighters</i>
Tue 6	In Eastertide	<i>MIND</i>
Wed 7	In Eastertide	<i>Those in apprenticeships</i>
Thu 8	In Eastertide	<i>80th anniversary of VE Day</i>
Fri 9	In Eastertide	<i>Diocese of Winchester</i>
Sat 10	In Eastertide	<i>Street and Prayer Pastors</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
Saturday Prayer at St Paul's
Contemplative Prayer group
St Paul's open for private prayer

Monday to Thursday at 8.30am
Saturday at 9.30am
Friday at 2.30pm
Saturday from 10am to 11am

Sunday 27 th April	2 nd Sunday of Easter	Holy Communion (BCP) 8.30am Sung Eucharist 10am Encounter 6pm
Monday 28 th April	St George (transferred)	Eucharist 10am
Tuesday 29 th April	St Mark (transferred)	Eucharist 10am
Wednesday 30 th April		Eucharist 10am
Thursday 1 st May	St Philip and St James	Eucharist 10am
Sunday 4 th May	3 rd Sunday of Easter	Holy Communion (BCP) 8.30am Sung Eucharist 10am Choral Evensong 6pm
Wednesday 7 th May		Eucharist 10am
Sunday 11 th May	4 th Sunday of Easter	Holy Communion (BCP) 8.30am Sung Eucharist 10am Taizé service 6pm

Holy Baptism

Clara Jean Dennis will be welcomed into the family of the church through
Holy Baptism at St Paul's on Sunday May 4th at 12 noon.

Funeral

Angela Allan's funeral will take place on Thursday 8th May at 12.15pm at
St Paul's church followed by burial at Earsdon Cemetery at 1.15pm.

Dates for your diary

St Paul's Monday Group	Monday 5 th May 7pm for 7.30pm
St Paul's Fellowship Group	Tuesdays from 6 th May 7pm
VE Day 80 th Anniversary	Monday 5 th May Rockcliff Rugby Club Thursday 8 th May Newcastle Building Society
St Paul's Bible study	Saturdays 10 th , 24 th May, 14 th , 28 th June 10am

Notices

Monday Group: The next meeting of St Paul's Ladies' Monday Group will be on 5th May, 7.00 for 7.30 in the Upper Room. Geoff Hughes will give a talk entitled Cragside: Above and Below Stairs. New members and visitors welcome.

Flower Guild: Many thanks to all who contributed to the cost of the Easter flowers. £165.00 was raised. Included in the flowers were flowers donated by Sue Day in memory of her mother.

Fellowship group: On Tuesday 6th May at 7pm we will be starting a fellowship group which will be based on a Pilgrim course and focussing on the Beatitudes. This is an opportunity to talk about faith in a relaxed and friendly group. Meetings will be held fortnightly and continue for 6 sessions. We have booklets for the course and if interested please see Mairi or Alison. Hope to see you there!

Bible Study: Seven short letters to churches near the beginning of the Book of Revelation are what we shall focus on in the four Saturday Bible studies sessions. The dates are 10th and 24th of May, and 14th and 28th of June, all between 10 and 11am at the back of church. Our exploration might 'reveal' (no pun intended!) some interesting things that could be surprisingly relevant today. Everyone welcome.

Angela Allan's Funeral: will take place on Thursday 8th May at 12.15pm at St Paul's church followed by burial at Earsdon cemetery at 1.15pm.

VE Day 80th Anniversary: Thursday 8th May activities and refreshments all day at the local branch of the Newcastle Building Society. There is also an event organised by The Royal British Legion at Rockcliff Rugby Club on Monday 5th May.

St Paul's Sunday Club: sessions will take place during the 10am service on the last Sunday of each month. All other Sunday there will be activities available at the back of church for children to share with their parents and carers during the service.

<p>The Bay Foodbank: the need for donations continues to be high and they are currently particularly requesting donations of toiletries such as shower gel, soap bars, toothpaste. Thank you</p>

Newsletter entries: for the next newsletter please pass them to Mary Evans *by 6pm on Friday 2nd May 2025*, by phone on 0191 252 1424 or by email to maryevans14@btinternet.com