



THE PARISH JARROW AND SIMONDSIDE

*We aim to share our faith, hope and love in God with a
through our worship, witness and service.*

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Sunday 14th December – Third Sunday of Advent

Services in all four churches this morning

Please see insert for more information



Hymn Numbers for Sunday

St. Paul's

87

Psalm 146

vv. 4-10

38

457

174

362

**St. Peter's &
St. John's**

241

711

178

98

684

St. Simon's

Please see

Hymn Sheet

Christmas Lunch at St. John's

We had a wonderful afternoon at St. John's last Saturday for our Parish Christmas Lunch! A huge thank you to Dorothy, Barbara, Alan, Caroline and all of their helpers. And thank you to everyone for coming along - together we had a wonderful meal and raised £650 for the parish fund too!

Celebrating LPM Jacki's Ministry

Please save the date – St. Peter's 4 pm January 18th
– more information to follow.

Assuring you of our prayers.

Revd Lesley, Revd Andrew and Lay Pastoral Minister Jacki

This week our prayers are asked for:-

All who live, work, worship or study in the parish; our nation and national life, for everyone struggling at this time; for King Charles III and his family; Bishop Sarah Mullally, and for Bishop Sarah Clark, and our Diocesan Leadership Team and all who lead in our Parish. Please pray for all of our schools this last week of term and for all of their celebrations in school and in our churches.

For all our Services in
December and
January please follow
the QR code to our
Website.

Thank you.



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**To arrange a home visit please call
ministers direct or contact the office.**

Collect

God for whom we watch and wait,
 you sent John the Baptist to prepare the
 way of your Son:
 give us courage to speak the truth,
 to hunger for justice,
 and to suffer for the cause of right,
 with Jesus Christ our Lord.

Post Communion Prayer

We give you thanks, O Lord,
 for these heavenly gifts;
 kindle in us the fire of your Spirit
 that when your Christ comes again
 we may shine as lights before his face;
 who is alive and reigns now and for ever.

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 35:1-10 – The Return of the Redeemed to Zion

35 The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad, the desert shall rejoice and blossom; like the crocus ² it shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice with joy and singing. The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it, the majesty of Carmel and Sharon. They shall see the glory of the Lord, the majesty of our God. ³ Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees. ⁴ Say to those who are of a fearful heart, 'Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you.' ⁵ Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; ⁶ then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break

forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; desert; ⁷ the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water; the haunt of jackals shall become a swamp, the grass shall become reeds and rushes. ⁸ A highway shall be there, and it shall be called the Holy Way; the unclean shall not travel on it, but it shall be for God's people; no traveller, not even fools, shall go astray. ⁹ No lion shall be there, nor shall any ravenous beast come up on it; they shall not be found there, but the redeemed shall walk there. ¹⁰ And the ransomed of the Lord shall return, and come to Zion with singing; everlasting joy shall be upon their heads; they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

Psalm 146:4-10 Refrain: The Lord shall reign for ever.

4 Happy are those who have
 the God of Jacob for their help, ♦
 whose hope is in the Lord their God;
 5 Who made heaven and earth,
 the sea and all that is in them; ♦
 who keeps his promise for ever; **Refrain**
 6 Who gives justice to those that suffer wrong ♦
 and bread to those who hunger.
 7 The Lord looses those that are bound; ♦
 the Lord opens the eyes of the blind; **Refrain**

the Lord opens the eyes of the blind; **Refrain**
 8 The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down; ♦
 the Lord loves the righteous;
 9 The Lord watches over the stranger in the land;
 he upholds the orphan and widow; ♦
 but the way of the wicked he turns upside down. **Refrain**
 10 The Lord shall reign for ever, ♦
 your God, O Zion, throughout all generations.
 Alleluia. **Refrain**

New Testament Reading James 5:7-10 Patience and Suffering

⁷ Be patient, therefore, beloved, until the coming of the Lord. The farmer waits for the precious crop from the earth, being patient with it until it receives the early and the late rains. ⁸ You also must be patient. Strengthen your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is near. ⁹ Beloved, do not grumble against one another, so that you may not be judged. See, the Judge is standing at the doors! ¹⁰ As an example of suffering and patience, beloved, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

Gospel Reading Matthew 11:2-11 Messengers from John the Baptist

² When John heard in prison what the Messiah was doing, he sent word by his disciples ³ and said to him, 'Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?' ⁴ Jesus answered them, 'Go and tell John what you hear and see: ⁵ the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have good news brought to them. ⁶ And blessed is anyone who takes no offence at me.'

⁷ As they went away, Jesus began to speak to the crowds about John: 'What did you go out into the wilderness to look at? A reed shaken by the wind? ⁸ What then did you go out to see? Someone ^[d] dressed in soft robes? Look, those who wear soft robes are in royal palaces. ⁹ What then did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. ¹⁰ This is the one about whom it is written,

"See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way before you."

¹¹ Truly I tell you, among those born of women no one has arisen greater than John the Baptist; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.

THE PARISH PRAYER LIST

John Ellison, Andrew Garvock, Mrs. Hewitt, Chris Haynes, Ann Taylor, Carol Woodfield, Christine, Gillian, Grant MacBeth, Ruth Banks, Jim, Isla Mohamed, Jonathan Hall, Judith, Maureen McLoughlin, Baby Chloe Grace Taylor, Killian Coyles, James Moore, Margaret Guy, Margaret Wilson, Sharon Duggan, Rebecca Fox, Harriet Frazer, Karon's son, Nora Lough, Kari, Simon Jackson, Elizabeth Blackburn, Joan Young, Steven, Marion Wheetman, Les Davison, Carol McKenzie, James Shephard, Noreen Woodhouse, Angela, Sharon, Baby Zachary, Ian Myers, Revd Rajinder Daniel, Launa Daniel, Susan Pink, Jacqui Cullen, Muriel Robinson, Alek Horsepool, Margaret Graves, Kerry, Sheila James, Gary Patterson, Caroline, George Dunn and Revd Keith Lumsdon

Ww pray for the repose of the soul of all who have died recently.



Dates for your Diary

Sunday 21st December 4 pm St. John's
Community Carols, Christingle & Hot Chocolate

Wednesday 24th December 4 pm
St. Simon's & Peter's
Christmas Eve Carols Around the Crib

Wednesday 24th December 8 pm
St. John's & St. Peter's
Christmas Eve Service with
Holy Communion & Carols

Wednesday 24th December 11.30 pm
St Paul's
Christmas Eve – Midnight Mass

Thursday 25th December 10.15 am
St. Peter's
Christmas Day Service with Holy Communion

Sunday 4th January 10 am St. Simon's
Parish Service for Epiphany

Sunday 18th January 4 pm St. Peter's
Celebration and Thanksgiving for
LPM Jacki's Ministry

Sunday 1st February 10 am St. Paul's
Parish Service for Candlemas

Last Call for Ticket Stubs and Money for the

Grand Christmas Draw

The Draw will be made next Sunday,
21st December at St. Paul's following the
11 am service.

*All are welcome to join us in prayer
at 2.00 pm on Mondays. Light a
candle and
join us in our Circle of Prayer,
wherever you are.*



Advent.

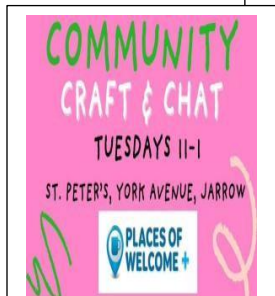
He sent us to give,
the Good News, to the poor.
To tell prisoners,
that they are prisoners, no more,
To tell blind people,
that they can see
And set the downtrodden free
And go tell EVERYONE,
The news, that the Kingdom of God,
has come. Amen

Alan Dale

St. Peter's Place of Welcome

Tuesdays 11 -1

The **Community Craft & Chat Group** will be doing Christmas crafts in December. Our last meeting for this year will be on December 16th and we return on January 6th.



Sunday to Sunday

<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Worship, Activity or Event</i>	<i>Location</i>
Sunday 14th December		<i>Third Sunday of Advent</i>	
	9.00 am	Sunday Worship with Service of the Word led by LLWL Barbara & Revd Lesley	St. John's
	9.15 am	Sunday Worship with Holy Eucharist led by Revd Andrew	St. Simon's
	11.00 am	Sunday Worship with Sung Eucharist led by Revd Lesley	St. Paul's
	11.00 am	Sunday Worship with Holy Eucharist led by Revd Andrew & LPM Jacki	St. Peter's
Monday 15th December			
	2.00 pm	Circle of Prayer , praying together, wherever we are, please see page 4 for this week's prayer.	Wherever we are.
Tuesday 16th December			
	9.15 am	Morning Prayer with the Ministry Team	St. Peter's
	10.00 am	Midweek Service with Holy Communion	St. Peter's
	11.00 am	Place of Welcome - drop in for a cuppa and chat – open until 1 + COMMUNITY CRAFT AND CHAT	St. Peter's
Wednesday 17th December			
	9.15 am	Morning Prayer with Ministry Team	St. Simon's
	10.00 am	Quiet Midweek Service with Holy Communion	St. Simon's
	11.00 am	Place of Welcome - drop in for a cuppa, open until 1	St. Simon's
Thursday 18th December			
	9.15 am	Morning Prayer with Ministry Team	St. John's
	10.00 am	Midweek Service with Holy Communion	St. John's
Sunday 21st December		<i>Fourth Sunday of Advent</i>	
	9.00 am	Sunday Worship with Holy Eucharist led by Revd Andrew	St. John's
	9.15 am	Sunday Worship with Service of the Word led by our LLWL's	St. Simon's
	11.00 am	Sunday Worship with Holy Eucharist led by Revd Andrew	St. Paul's
	11.00 am	Sunday Worship with Sung Eucharist led by Revd Lesley	St. Peter's
	.4.00 pm	Community Carols, Christingle and Hot Chocolate	St. John's

If you would like to make a one-off gift this Christmas to support our ministry, mission or care for our church buildings please use the collection plate, card machine, this QR code or visit the link below.

Thank you.

<https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/find-your-parish/jarrow-and-simonside-southtyneside/>





You are warmly invited to journey with us
in the Parish of Jarrow and Simonside this



Advent, Christmas & Epiphany



**We have a number of Seasonal Services across our churches
with readings, carols and Holy Communion
and everyone is welcome here**

November 30	10.00 am	St. Paul's	Parish Service for Advent Sunday * ^R
December 7	10.00 am	St. Peter's	Parish Service for Advent * ^R
December 7	4.00 pm	St. Paul's	Traditional Advent Carol Service ^R
December 11	6.00 pm	St. Peter's	Community Carols in the Car Park & Hot Chocolate ^{FF} ^R
December 13	2.00 pm	St. Peter's	WI Carol Service (Tickets £2 or pay at door) ^R
December 21	4.00 pm	St. John's	Community Carols, Christingle & Hot Chocolate ^{FF} ^R
December 24	4.00 pm	St. Simon's	Carols around the Crib ^{FF}
December 24	4.00 pm	St. Peter's	Carols around the Crib ^{FF}
December 24	8.00 pm	St. John's	Holy Eucharist with Carols *
December 24	8.00 pm	St. Peter's	Holy Eucharist with Carols *
December 24	11.30 pm	St. Paul's	Midnight Mass * ^R
December 25	10.15 am	St. Peter's	Christmas Day Eucharist * ^{FF}
December 28	10.00 am	St. Peter's	Parish Service for Christmas * ^R
January 4	10.00 am	St. Simon's	Parish Service for Epiphany * ^R
February 1	10.00 am	St. Paul's	Parish Service for Candlemas * ^R

** Denotes services with Holy Communion ^{FF} Family Friendly Services ^R Refreshments*

*For more information on our regular services on Sundays and through the week, or to book
a wedding, a baptism or for other events, please visit our website at*

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