



PLEASE PRAY FOR:

The Sick: Kate Booth, Mark Brown, Yvonne Heron, Dave Pope, Julia Wood, Vic Middleton, Mary Boyd

R I P: Joan Fairhurst, Sheila Patricia Cave, James Sidney Walker, Audrey Kitchen, John Harrison Lennon, Hilda Casson

PRAYER MINISTRY is available at every service in the parish. If you would like someone to pray with you after Communion or at the end of the service, please approach one of the prayer team (look for their prayer team badges)

THE MINISTRY TEAM

Rector: Revd Simon White Tel: 01670 517716 (Except Wed.)

Curate and Pioneer Minister: Revd Beth Rookwood 07496672011 (day off Thursday)

Revd Jeremy Cooper OLM: (available Monday and Friday) 01670 511 593

Assistant Curate Revd Rachel Hudson Tel: 01670 503529 (usually Thurs-Sun—day off Wednesday) (Full team list on church notice boards and parish magazine)

Community Worker: Fliss Tunnard Tel: 07850996013

PARISH OFFICE OPENING TIMES

Monday - Friday from 9.30—12:30pm
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PARISH WEBSITE

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IMPORTANT NOTICE

DATA PROTECTION

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

In order to comply with the general Data Protection Regulations, by May 2018, the parish must check all records of personal data and be able to identify: **WHAT is held; WHERE it is held; WHY it is held and prove it is held SAFELY**

If you are holding anyone's personal details or if you are a group leader, please advise Lindsey in the parish office (01670 503326) or Pauline Young (07779132452)

PLEASE NOTE THAT EVERYONE HAS THE RIGHT TO CONTACT THE OFFICE TO DETERMINE WHAT INFORMATION IS BEING HELD ABOUT THEM AND THEY HAVE THE RIGHT TO ASK FOR IT TO BE DESTROYED

St AIDAN COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Monday

Cuppa Club 9.30—12.30

Tuesday

Bingo session 11.30-12.30

Playtime Plus 9.15-11.00 am

Wednesday

Playtime Plus 9.15-11.00

Homework Club 4.14-5.30

Carers' Support Group 1.30pm-3.00pm (monthly on last Wed.)

Meeting dates and details of other groups available from Fliss (see opposite) or the Parish office 01670 503326

TODAY: SUNDAY 18th March –Passion Sunday

6.00pm St Aidan Healing Service

NEXT WEEK: SUNDAY 25th March—Palm Sunday

8.00am St James Holy Communion

9.30am St Mary Family Communion

9.30am St Aidan Family Communion

11.15am St James Family Communion

4.00pm St Aidan Tea Time Church

Thought for Today As we enter Passiontide, we focus on the cross of Jesus to which he went for our sake; the path through cruel death to the revelation of the glory of God in Christ. We should be sorrowful at the very real suffering of Jesus on our behalf; marvel at his willingness to learn obedience to God the Father through what he suffered to free us from the power and consequences of sin and never lose sight of the victory of the cross, in that the Father raised Jesus Christ from the dead to sit at his right hand in glory. The death and resurrection of Jesus Christ herald the deliverance of the world from the power of sin. That is the good news that we celebrate in these sombre days of Passiontide. In God's economy, life comes out of death and God's glory is revealed in the obedience of the Son who prayed for God to glorify his name. May we all have a holy Passiontide, as people who know the victory of the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Today's Collect

Gracious Father, you gave up your Son out of love for the world: lead us to ponder the mysteries of his passion, that we may know eternal peace through the shedding of our Saviour's blood, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Old Testament Reading and Psalms for Today

Jeremiah 31.31-34 (p 746)

Psalm 51.1-13 (p 531) or Psalm 119.9-16 (p 577)

New Testament Reading

Hebrews 5.5-10 (p217)

Gospel Reading

John 12.20-33 (p103)

(page refs are for the NRSV pew Bibles (OT at front, NT at back))

THIS WEEK: MONDAY & TUESDAY

Morning Prayer at St James from 9am to 9.30am

WEDNESDAY—“Journey” Group meets in St James Vestry at 7pm—contact Emily Gibson 07713474443

Wednesday Home Group meets at 15 Bankside, Allery Banks every second Wednesday. Next meeting after Lent course on 11th April at 7 pm. Details from Revd Cooper

THURSDAY—Holy Communion at St Aidan’s 9.15 am

FRIDAY—Celtic Prayer breakfast 8am at Costa, Bridge Street

PARISH DATA BASE REMINDER

Every year the Rector sends a letter to every member of the parish to thank them for what they do and to share any good news stories. The letters are sent out and distributed via the parish office. If you have not received this year’s letter, could you please contact the office (503326) so your name can be added to the database? Please be aware that we do not share any information with third parties. Many thanks from Lindsey and Kathleen

LIFEPATH 2018—WANT TO HELP? An event for Year 4 school children held at Brinkburn Priory from Monday 25th-Friday 29th June.

Volunteers welcome on any number of days for various roles. Prayer support always valued! Contact

Kirstine Davis, Harriet Gilfillan or anyone who has been before. Update leaflets with contact details are in all the churches.

THE WEDNESDAY HOME GROUP

resumes meetings on 11th April at 7pm at 15 Bankside. *Jeremy Cooper*

NEW BOOKING PROCEDURE FOR FRIDAY FEAST DUE TO HIGH DEMAND

FUTURE BOOKINGS MUST NOW BE MADE VIA THE OFFICE, by the preceding Sunday First come, first served. Tel: 503326, or email or book in person. Pick up a postcard in church with all FEAST dates for 2018.



COFFEE & CHAT on the second Monday of every month, in the

Chantry Tea Room. Details from Gena Fleming on 515741.

MORPETH DEANERY CONFIRMATION SERVICE 2018

Bishop Christine will be coming to the parish on September 30th for our joint Morpeth Deanery Confirmation Service in St James Church at 10am. If you are over 11 years of age, or an adult candidate who would like to consider being Confirmed, please speak to Simon as soon as possible, so that we can start to think about Confirmation classes and booking candidates into the service at St James.



FOR INFORMATION ON ACTIVITIES AND SUNDAY WORSHIP FOR THOSE WITH YOUNG CHILDREN, PLEASE CHECK OUT OUR PARISH AND BEACON PROJECT FACEBOOK PAGES AND THE PARISH WEBSITE

INTERCESSION TRAINING all who lead intercessions are invited to come along to a two hour training event either Saturday 28th April 9.30-12.30 or Wednesday 2nd May 7.00pm-10pm. Both events in St James church. Contact Harriet Gilfillan or David Parker.
PALM PARTY AT THE RECTORY. Friday March 23rd at 7.30pm. Come and help to make the parish palm crosses for the Palm Sunday services. All welcome

JOIN US FOR THE PARISH SUNDAY LUNCH at 1pm in the Waterford Lodge on Sunday April 22nd. This will be the final opportunity to say goodbye to Rachel and Chris Hudson on Rachel’s last Sunday as Assistant Curate in Morpeth parish.

BINGO at ST AIDANS every Tuesday 11.30-12.30. Five games, refreshments and a raffle. All welcome.

COLLINGWOOD SCHOOL EASTER COMMUNITY CAFÉ on Wednesday 28th March 12 noon-2pm. Booking essential. Contact Fliss Tunnard for details

ADVANCE NOTICE: THE PARISH APCM WILL TAKE PLACE ON SUNDAY APRIL 29th AFTER THE 10 am JOINT SERVICE AT ST JAMES

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Mon-Thurs 26th-29th March
St James Morning Prayer 9am-9.30am & Midday Prayer 12 noon-12.15, plus Prayer Spaces 9am-3pm

Maudy Thursday 29th March
St Aidan Holy Communion 9.15am and St James Holy Communion & Reflection 7.30pm

GOOD FRIDAY 30th March
St James 9am Morning Prayer
St Mary 10am Good Friday Liturgy

Morpeth procession of Witness meet at St James 11.15—starts 11.30am

St James 2pm—Reflections on the Cross
St Aidan Film—“The Passion” 6pm

EASTER EVE 31st March
St Aidan—Easter Family Workshop 10am-noon

EASTER DAY 1st April
Morpeth Market Place 6am Dawn Service

St James 8am Holy Communion
St Mary 10am Joint Parish Communion Service