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Any pastoral care concerns or commendations should be made to Joan or one of the clergy.

Regular events

- Little Saints:** every Monday 2-4pm in the church hall, except bank holidays.
- Tuesday Group** meets each week at 9.30am for gardening, grounds and DIY maintenance. Coffee at 10.30am. All welcome.
- Prayers for Sick** and other concerns. Wednesdays, 10am at 3 High Laws, NE3 1RQ.
- Book Group:** *A Handful of Dust* by Evelyn Waugh. Wednesday 24th April, 7.30pm in the Winkell Room.
- Choir Practice:** Thursdays at 4.30-5.15pm (juniors) and 7-8.15pm (adults & young people). Please speak to Drew (Director of Music) if you'd like to join.
- Friday Café** is held 10am-12pm in the Winkell Room}
- Friday Singing Group** meets at 11am in Middleton Room}
- Bell Practice:** Tower & handbell practice, Fridays, 7.30-9pm.
- Parish Walk:** first Saturday of the month (usually). Details to follow.
- Children North East:** we have a box by the north door for an ongoing collection. Wish lists can be found at the back of church & the box is emptied when it is filled.

Those living with dementia are particularly welcome.

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Notices for the sheet and additions/removals for the prayer list need to be sent to the Parish Office by 9.30am on a Thursday.

Initial enquiries about weddings, blessings, banns and baptisms should be directed to the Parish Office.

St George's Church, Jesmond

A worshipping community: inclusive, nurturing, engaged

31st March 2024 - Easter Sunday



Women at the Tomb, by Canonesses of the Holy Sepulchre – England

Our Services Today

8am The Eucharist

President & Preacher: Clare MacLaren

11am The Eucharist at St Hilda's

President & Preacher: Ollie Dempsey

9.30am Parish Eucharist

President & Preacher: Clare MacLaren

Deacon: Joan Grenfell

Sidespeople: Brent Swinburne

Readers: Graham Hatt

Intercessions: Graham Rutt

Giving:

If you would like to support the work of St George's, you can donate via this QR code.



Livestreaming:

The 9.30 Eucharist (and some other main services) are now being livestreamed on our website & YouTube account. Please sit in the side aisles if you don't want to be seen.

The care and protection of children, young people, and adults involved in Church activities is the responsibility of all who participate in the life of the Church. Please direct any concerns to Dr Sue Vernon (contact details on the back page).

Services in the Benefice this Week

Tue 8.45am Morning Prayer (*St Hilda's*)
9.30am The Eucharist (*St Hilda's*)
Thu 9.30am The Eucharist (*St Hilda's*)

Sunday 7th April (2nd Sunday of Easter)

8am The Eucharist
9.30am Parish Eucharist
11am The Eucharist (*St Hilda's*)

There will be no morning prayer after Easter until the end of the interregnum.

Service Details

Hymns

207

217

212

218

- Opening Hymn:** 207 - Jesus lives! thy terrors now
- First reading:** Acts 10: 34-43 (NT p. 126)
- (Psalm:** 118: 14-24. We are not using it this morning.
- Gospel Acclamation:** I am the first and the last, says the Lord, and the living one; I was dead, and behold I am alive for evermore.
- Gospel:** John 20: 1-18 (NT p. 111)
- *Smarties (our Junior Church) are not meeting during the Easter holidays. It will resume on Sunday 21st April.*
- Offertory Hymn:** 217 - The strife is o'er, the battle done
- *All who normally receive the bread and wine in any church are welcome to receive today.*
 - *Holy Communion will be distributed from two stations: - one in the South (right hand) aisle and one in front of the altar. If you would prefer to receive a blessing, please bow your head and keep your hands at your sides when you come, to signal your intention.*
 - *Gluten free wafers are available. Please come to receive at the altar & ask if you require one.*
 - *When receiving the wine, please do not dip your wafer into the wine (intinction). All advice suggests that drinking from the cup is a more hygienic method of sharing.*
- Communion Motet:** Good Christians all, rejoice and sing - Archer
- Communion Hymn:** 212 - Now the green blade rises
- Final Hymn:** 218 - Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son
- Voluntary:** Toccata (Symphonie 5) - Widor

(We are not using the psalm or second reading for today at the 9.30am service this morning, but if you are interested they are Psalm 118: 14-24 and I Corinthians 15: 1-11.)

Please keep in your prayers Elizabeth, Lily, Rosalie, Dylan, & Matilda - all being baptised here this morning - and their family and friends as they begin to accompany them on their journey in faith.

After the 9.30am service, you are warmly invited to join us for refreshments, served in the hall by Sue King, Maggie Paczek, Rosemary Garvey, & Izzy McDonald-Booth.

Rather than our usual refreshments, this will be a farewell party for Clare MacLaren, as well as a celebration of the baptisms that have taken place this morning. There will be savoury nibbles and cakes! All are welcome to join, regulars and visitors alike.

The next PCC meeting will be on Tuesday 9th April. Please send any items for the agenda to Nigel (pccsec@stgeorgesjesmond.org.uk) by 12pm **TODAY**.

Friday Café and the Singing Group won't run on Friday 5th April.

Saturday Sessions returns at 8pm on Saturday 6 April with an evening of Indian Classical music in aid of the Organ Restoration Project. Dr Vijay Rajput and Indriya will perform melodious evening ragas. Tickets £8 on the door and from Eventbrite.

St George's Choir have been invited to sing Choral Eucharist at Durham Cathedral on Monday 8th April, 5.30pm. This is an honour and a privilege, and recognition of both the long and proud tradition of music at St George's, and of the work that Drew has done in driving this renaissance since Covid. Please come along if you are able to!

Ever wondered how St George's came to be built and what this part of Jesmond looked like at the time? Then join us in the Church Hall on Wednesday 10th April, 7pm for a 7.30pm start, where John North, city guide, will enlighten us. Tickets: £5 from Janet Wilson or pay on the door. Refreshments available. In aid of the Community Hub project.

The updated Electoral Roll is on the table at the back of church. Please check if you are on there and that your address is current. Please let me know of any changes asap. The list will be finalised on Sunday 14th April, Margaret Baron, Tel: 07932 180535.

Open meeting with the Community Hub Steering Group: Saturday 20th April, 11.15am-12.45pm in the Church Hall. All are welcome.

Ollie's final services at St George's will be on Sunday 21st April. We will be joined at Evensong by **Bishop Mark** as this will also be a service of Confirmation. We look forward to welcoming him.

It has been announced by the Bishop of Newcastle that Revd. Paul Baker has accepted the invitation to become the new Area Dean for Newcastle Central Deanery. Paul will be commissioned at St Nicholas' Church, Gosforth, on Wednesday 24th April at 7.30pm. The Bishop also expressed her gratitude to Pauline Pearson for all that she did in the role.

FOSG raffle: tickets still available for the inaugural Friends' raffle. £5 per book of 5 tickets. It will be drawn at the Friends' annual meeting on 23rd April.

Grass cutting rota: Keeping the grass trimmed around the church is the work of a stalwart band of volunteers, each doing it twice a year. We need some new volunteers. If you could join this rota this year, please contact Jim Lowe on jimlowe13@gmail.com.

The Parish Office is closed 28th March-4th April, and on Monday 8th April.

If you donate using Planned Giving Numbered Envelopes, please collect your new box from the back of church. Many thanks for your continued support!

Cyclists old, cyclists new, cyclists bold, cyclists blue: St George's Rides Again, on Wednesday April 10th. For cyclists of all abilities, the route will be on tarmac or compacted gravel, avoid main roads, and take no more than a morning of your time. Interested? Then either contact grahamrutt@doctors.org.uk or just turn up outside the church hall at 9:30 a.m. and join us on a gentle trundle around Tyneside. Bring as many friends / children as you want.

Newcastle Cathedral Trust-Inaugural St Nicholas Gala Dinner: On the 25th April the Cathedral will host its first prestigious Gala Dinner aimed at raising funds to support its the work in the wider community. Over 200 guests are already attending and will be entertained by music & stilt walkers. To learn more, contact ptaylorjesmond@aol.com.