



Benefice Newsletter

St George's & St Hilda's Jesmond



A worshipping community: inclusive, nurturing, engaged

Sunday 5th October 2025 - The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

Services in the Benefice Today

8am	The Eucharist (<i>St George's</i>)
9.30am	Parish Eucharist (<i>St George's</i>)
11am	Mass (<i>St Hilda's</i>)
1.30pm	Baptism of Aralia (<i>St George's</i>)
6pm	Connect@6 (<i>St Hilda's</i>)

Services in the Benefice this Week

Tue	8.45am Morning Prayer (<i>St Hilda's</i>)
	9.30am The Eucharist (<i>St Hilda's</i>)
Thu	8.45am Morning Prayer (<i>St George's</i>)
	9.30am The Eucharist (<i>St George's</i>)

Sunday 12th October (Dedication Festival)

8am	The Eucharist (<i>St George's</i>)
9.30am	Parish Eucharist (<i>St George's</i>)
11am	Mass (<i>St Hilda's</i>)
6pm	Feast@6 (<i>St Hilda's</i>)
6pm	Taizé (<i>St George's</i>)

Notices for the next newsletter and additions/removals for the prayer list need to be sent to the Parish Office by 10am on a Thursday.

Life events: please contact Rev. Debbie with initial enquiries about baptisms, weddings, blessings, banns, and funerals.

Giving

If you would like to support the work of the benefice, you can donate via the QR codes below.

St George's



St Hilda's



Social Media



stgeorgesjesmond.org.uk



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St Hilda's Church, Jesmond
St George's Church, Jesmond



[stgeorgesjesmond](https://www.instagram.com/stgeorgesjesmond)
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For Participation or Prayer, week beginning 6th October

For items in italics, please contact the parish office if you wish to join.

- Monday: 12.30pm Office staff meeting
2pm, Little Saints, St George's Hall
2pm, Knit and Natter, St Hilda's
2pm, Pastoral visit to Craghall
6.30pm, ALM catch-up on Zoom
7pm, Eco Group meeting
7.15pm, Scouts, St George's Hall
- Tuesday: 8.45am, Morning Prayer, St Hilda's
9.30am, The Eucharist, St Hilda's
9.30am, Tuesday Group, St George's
10am, ADDO training
12.30pm, Percy Hedley Chaplaincy
2pm, Scottish Dancing, St Hilda's Hall
2.30pm, Meet & Move (referral required)
7pm, Jesmond Choral Group, St Hilda's Hall
7.30pm, Newcastle Concert Band
7.30pm, C&YP committee meeting
- Wednesday: 2.30pm, Living Faith service, St Hilda's
4pm, Project 1888 meeting
5.30pm, Ballet, St Hilda's Hall
5.30pm, Beavers & Cubs, St George's Hall
7.15pm, Tai Chi, St George's Hall
7.30pm, 'We Believe' course, St Hilda's
- Thursday: 8.45am, Morning Prayer, St George's
9.30am, Holy Communion, St George's
10.15am, Little Kickers, St George's Hall
10.30am, Hartbeeps, St Hilda's Hall
1pm, Worship through the Lens of Autism course
2pm, Pastoral visit to Cestria
6.30pm, Junior Choir rehearsal, St George's
7pm, Choir rehearsal, St George's
7pm, Godly Play training
- Friday: 10am, Friday Café, St George's Hall
11am, Sing & Socialise
7.30pm, Bell ringing practice, St George's
- Saturday: 9.30am, Preventing Young Suicide course

Notices

Connect@6: tonight at St Hilda's, 6pm, our first Connect@6 service. Beginning with a shared meal, this is a non-Eucharistic service aimed at connecting with each other and with God through Word, conversation, and food.

Joan Rooney's coffin will be received in church at 4pm on Monday 13th October, all are welcome to attend this. It will be followed by a private family funeral on the 14th.

'We Believe' Course: continuing Wednesdays at 7.30pm in St Hilda's.

St George's Dedication Festival is next Sunday, October 12th. We are holding a gift day where we will be pleased to receive one-off financial gifts for the ongoing work of this church in the parish. Gifts will be blessed in the service.

Calling all sewers! Children-North East is looking for volunteers to make up some large Story Sacks for their Storytime Adventure. All materials and instructions supplied. If you can help, please contact Hazel via the Parish Office. Thank you.

Enkelit in Concert: Sunday 12th October at 3pm, St George's Church. Join us for *Making Waves* - a concert exploring the contemporary Finnish acappella music tradition. Admission is £10 on the door.

Thursday Talks at Jesmond Library: 6pm start, £3 entry on the door.

Thursday 9th October: Emily Cutter talks about the work of Homeshare North East - a charity which helps older people to live independently for longer by matching them with carefully vetted Homesharers seeking affordable accommodation.

Thursday 16th October: One of the last North East Shipowners - Jesmond resident Chris Souter talks about his experiences in his family's shipping business, which was one of the last shipowning firms in the North East. This marked the end of a great tradition which is part of the North East's heritage.

The next meeting of the Book Group will take place on Wednesday 22nd October, 7.30pm in the Winskell Room. The book is *Trees* by Percival Everett.

Jesmond Library Appeal: the library are making an urgent appeal for donations to repair two areas of the roof, to prevent heat loss and reduce running costs. You can contribute via the link below or contact finance@jesmondlibrary.org if you would prefer another method: <https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/greenlibrary>

Organ Meditations: this recital series at Jesmond URC (NE2 3AE) is well underway, Fridays at 1pm until 24th October. Next up on 10th October is Michael Haynes (Hexham Abbey). These events are free to attend but donations to the Organ Fund are most welcome. Light lunches are available at Layla's Kitchen in the church foyer.

The Wednesday Meeting: 15th October, 2pm, at Jesmond URC in the foyer. 'Behind the Books' – a talk by Pat Lowery of the Lit and Phil Society of Newcastle upon Tyne (the centre which brought us the Stephensons and other Victorian 'greats').

Progressive Christianity Network meeting: Tuesday 14th October, 7.15-8.45pm at Brunswick Church (NE1 7BJ). Theme: finding theology in secular literature, using the book *Reading as if for Life* by David Dickinson. All welcome.

Children North East: we have a box by the north door for an ongoing collection. Wish lists are at the back of church and the box is emptied when it is filled.

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The safeguarding, care, and protection of everyone involved in Church activities is the responsibility of all who participate in the life of the Church.

Parish Secretary

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Hours: weekdays except Wednesdays, 9.45am-12.45pm

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<p>Livestreaming: The 9.30am Eucharist, Choral Evensong, and some other main services are livestreamed on the St George's website and YouTube channel. Please sit in the rear side aisles if you don't want to be seen on stream.</p>
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