



## THE PARISH JARROW AND SIMONSDIE

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

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### 8<sup>th</sup> May 2022 – Easter 4 – Services in all Four Churches

There are a number of upcoming Events you may wish to be part of:

#### Monday 16th May - First Anniversary of The Way of Learning - St. Paul's Church

Bishop Paul will be joining us for the morning and visiting a local school, meeting up with schools for a mini-pilgrim walk and leading a service at St. Paul's Church at 11am. This will be an All Age Services and members of our congregations are invited to attend. Please let Lesley know if you would like to come along.

#### Wednesday 25th May - Evensong and Procession in Honour of the Venerable Bede 5.30 pm at Durham Cathedral

There is a sign up sheet in church if you would like to attend this service as part of a parish group. This service also recognises the 1000th Anniversary of the translation of the relics of the Venerable Bede from Jarrow to Durham in 1022.

#### Thursday 26th May - Parish Ascension Day Services - 10.00 am at St. John the Baptist's and 7 pm at St. Paul's Church

#### Friday 27th May - The Jarrow Lecture "Bede's Island" - 7.30 pm at St. Paul's Church

Postponed from May 2020, with Professor Catherine E. Kharkov, FEA, Chair of Art History, University of Leeds.

#### The Queen's Platinum Jubilee & Pentecost Sunday – 5<sup>th</sup> June - All Age Parish Eucharist at St. John the Baptist's 10 am followed by Bring & Share Faith Lunch.

#### Our prayers are asked for:

all who live, work, worship or study in the parish; our nation and national life, and for the people of Ukraine.  
all our health and care workers, key workers, scientists and all struggling with Covid or Long Covid.  
everyone struggling at this time through rising costs of living, unemployment, debt and for their well-being.  
for Jason Wratten as he prepares for ordination and joining us in the parish as an Assistant Curate

our Bishops - Paul, Sarah, Assistant Bishops: John, Glyn, & David; and for the Bishop's Leadership Team.

## Hymn Numbers

**St. Paul's**

467

Psalm 23

Chant Walmisley

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Thank you to everyone who supported our Community Coffee Morning last Saturday at St. Peter's, and an enormous well done to our bakers Jean and Isabelle. Bri's Bouncy Castle's sponsored our children's activities which was much appreciated. Together we managed to raise £258.64 towards the Parish Fund.

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**Knit Group** on Tuesdays 2pm -4pm at St Peter's Church Hall. Knit Group is for anyone and any crafts, or even if you just need company and a chat, you will be very welcome. If you would like refreshments, for the time being, please bring along your own. This will be periodically reviewed. Any questions, please give Susan a ring on 07931445097.

#### **Update on the Heating**

There have been a number of challenges this week as the weather has not been kind this first week without the heating. In fact, the temperatures dropped! So parish warden's will keep an eye on the weather and review as we go along. In the meantime, work is due to begin on replacing the heating at St. Peter's.



**At 2.00 pm on Monday light a candle and join us in the community of the circle, all are welcome.**

#### **BECOMING FREER**

Take time for solitude, contemplation, reflection.  
Develop mindfulness, awareness.  
Listen, listen, listen.  
Practice daily discernment, nurture the unknown.  
Find support when you need it.  
Dance with the Beloved.  
Sing in the darkness.  
Be willing to leave old securities behind.  
Let go of illusion.  
Welcome uncovered goodness.  
Develop recovered strengths.  
Risk the road of becoming real.  
Take forth discoveries into the world.  
Celebrate the inherent wonder of life each day.  
Be grateful.  
Amen.

Joyce Rudd

### **Fundraising Events for the Parish Fund**

Table Top Sale at St. John the Baptist Church Hall Saturday July 9th 11am - 2pm Free entry, all are welcome. To book a table contact Dorothy Lamb 01914890924 tables £10- 00. Sellers can arrive 10am to set stall up.

## **8th May 2022 – Easter 4**

### **The Collect**

Risen Christ,  
faithful shepherd of your Father's  
sheep:  
teach us to hear your voice  
and to follow your command,  
that all your people may be gathered  
into one flock,  
to the glory of God the Father. **Amen.**

### **Prayer after Communion**

Merciful Father,  
you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good  
shepherd,  
and in his love for us to lay down his life  
and rise again:  
keep us always under his protection,  
and give us grace to follow in his steps;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **Old Testament Reading - Genesis 7:1-5, 11-18; 8:6-18; 9:8-13 The Great Flood**

Then the Lord said to Noah, 'Go into the ark, you and all your household, for I have seen that you alone are righteous before me in this generation. Take with you seven pairs of all clean animals, the male and its mate; and a pair of the animals that are not clean, the male and its mate; and seven pairs of the birds of the air also, male and female, to keep their kind alive on the face of all the earth. For in seven days I will send rain on the earth for forty days and forty nights; and every living thing that I have made I will blot out from the face of the ground.' And Noah did all that the Lord had commanded him.

In the six-hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, on the seventeenth day of the month, on that day all the fountains of the great deep burst forth, and the windows of the heavens were opened. The rain fell on the earth for forty days and forty nights. On the very same day Noah with his sons, Shem and Ham and Japheth, and Noah's wife and the three wives of his sons, entered the ark, they and every wild animal of every kind, and all domestic animals of every kind, and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth, and every bird of every kind—every bird, every winged creature. They went into the ark with Noah, two and two of all flesh in which there was the breath of life. And those that entered, male and female of all flesh, went in as God had commanded him; and the Lord shut him in.

The flood continued for forty days on the earth; and the waters increased, and bore up the ark, and it rose high above the earth. The waters swelled and increased greatly on the earth; and the ark floated on the face of the waters.

At the end of forty days Noah opened the window of the ark that he had made and sent out the raven; and it went to and fro until the waters were dried up from the earth. Then he sent out the dove from him, to see if the waters had subsided from the face of the ground; but the dove found no place to set its foot, and it returned to him to the ark, for the waters were still on the face of the whole earth. So he put out his hand and took it and brought it into the ark with him. He waited another seven days, and again he sent out the dove from the ark; and the dove came back to him in the evening, and there in its beak was a freshly plucked olive leaf; so Noah knew that the waters had subsided from the earth. Then he waited another seven days, and sent out the dove; and it did not return to him any more.

In the six hundred and first year, in the first month, on the first day of the month, the waters were dried up from the earth; and Noah removed the covering of the ark, and looked, and saw that the face of the ground was drying. In the second month, on the twenty-seventh day of the month, the earth was dry. Then God said to Noah, 'Go out of the ark, you and your wife, and your sons and your sons' wives with you. Bring out with you every living thing that is with you of all flesh—birds and animals and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth—so that they may abound on the earth, and be fruitful and multiply on the earth.' So Noah went out with his sons and his wife and his sons' wives.

Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, 'As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.' God said, 'This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth.'

### Psalm 23

- 1 The Lord is my shepherd;  
I shall not be in want.
- 2 He makes me lie down in green pastures  
and leads me beside still waters. **R**
- 3 He shall revive my soul  
and guide me along right pathways for his name's sake.
- 4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil;  
for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. **R**
- 5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me;  
you have anointed my head with oil and my cup is running over.
- 6 Surely goodness and loving mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,  
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever. **R**

**New Testament Reading: Acts 9:36 to end The Multitude from Every Nation**

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, 'Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!'

And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, singing, 'Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.'

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, 'Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?' I said to him, 'Sir, you are the one that knows.' Then he said to me, 'These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.'

For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.'

**Gospel Reading John 10:22-30 Jesus Is Rejected by the Jews**

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, 'How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.' Jesus answered, 'I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one.'

**PRISH PRAYER LIST**

*John Ellison, Jessica McAskell, Carrie Waggott, Doreen Moig, Andrew Garvock, Mrs. Hewitt, Pat Middleton, Dorothy McBeth, Stella Matthews, Michael Hughes, Chris Haynes, Ann Taylor, Rod Taylor, Carol Woodfield, Christine, Beatrice Yorsten, Wyn Alderslade, Gillian, , Grant McBeth, Ruth Banks, Marjorie Carruthers, Brenda Profit, Stan, Jim, Joan Thorburn, Isla Mohamed, Gary Patterson, Jonathan Hall, Judith, Derek Yorsten, Maureen McLoughlin, Baby Chloe Grace Taylor, Killian Coyles, June Cue, Steven, Christine Langley, Minnie Johannesen, Jimmy Hudson, James Moore, Jimmy McAskell, Alma Piggott, Meg Guy, Margaret Wilson and for people on our hearts today...*

*We also hold in our prayers all who are grieving at this time, praying for the repose of the soul of all who have died recently remembering Edith Firth, Stephen Exidor Martin, and all those we love but no*