



## THE PARISH JARROW AND SIMONSIDE

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

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**17<sup>th</sup> September 2023 – Fifteenth Sunday After Trinity**

**Four Services in Four Churches + Messy Church at St. Peter's 3 pm**

Last Saturday we hosted a training session/refresher session for Open the Book Storytellers from in the parish and further afield.

The training was led by the Bible Society's Rob Wallace and we discovered there have been a number of changes to OTB that will support our ministry with children, families and schools. But you don't have to wait for training to get started. If you would like to know more, please speak to Jacki Dunn or visit:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mAIDNlvBKlY>

Assuring you of our prayers at this time.

Revd Lesley, Revd Stuart, Revd Jason, Lay Pastoral Minister Jacki & M.A.'s Roman and Laura.

**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; our health and care workers, key workers, scientists and all struggling with Covid and Long Covid; for everyone struggling at this time through rising costs of living, unemployment, debt and for their well-being. For King Charles III and his family, and for Our Bishops – Paul and Sarah and their Leadership Team. For all who lead in our parish.



### ALL AGE HARVEST THANKGIVING

St. John's, 10 am, Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October. Please bring in something for the foodbank if you can – as donations are low. Thank you.

## Hymn Numbers

### St. Paul's

250

(Verses 1 – 4 & 7)

### Psalm 103

Verses 8 – 13

428

519

309

496

### St. Peter's & St. John's

15

(Verses 1 – 4 & 7)

182

478

355

351

### St. Simon's

6

(Verses 1 – 4 & 7)

163

435

375

496

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## 17<sup>th</sup> September 2023 –Fifteenth Sunday After Trinity

### Collect

Lord God,  
defend your Church from all false teaching  
and give to your people knowledge of your  
truth,  
that we may enjoy eternal life  
in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### Post Communion Prayer

Keep, O Lord, your Church, with your perpetual  
mercy;  
and, because without you our human frailty cannot  
but fall,  
keep us ever by your help from all things hurtful,  
and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

### **First Reading** – Genesis 50:15-21 - **Joseph Forgives His Brothers**

<sup>15</sup> Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, 'What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?' <sup>16</sup> So they approached<sup>[a]</sup> Joseph, saying, 'Your father gave this instruction before he died, <sup>17</sup> "Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you." Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father.' Joseph wept when they spoke to him. <sup>18</sup> Then his brothers also wept,<sup>[b]</sup> fell down before him, and said, 'We are here as your slaves.' <sup>19</sup> But Joseph said to them, 'Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? <sup>20</sup> Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. <sup>21</sup> So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones.' In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

### Psalm 103:8-13 - **Refrain:** *The Lord is full of compassion and mercy*

8 The Lord is full of compassion and mercy, ♦  
slow to anger and of great kindness.  
9 He will not always accuse us, ♦  
neither will he keep his anger for ever. [R]  
10 He has not dealt with us  
according to our sins, ♦  
nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.

11 For as the heavens are high above the earth, ♦  
so great is his mercy upon those who fear him. [R]  
12 As far as the east is from the west, ♦  
so far has he set our sins from us.  
13 As a father has compassion on his children, ♦  
so is the Lord merciful towards those who fear him. [R]

### **Second Reading** – Romans 14:1-12 **Do Not Judge Another**

<sup>14</sup> Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarrelling over opinions. <sup>2</sup> Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. <sup>3</sup> Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgement on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. <sup>4</sup> Who are you to pass judgement on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

<sup>5</sup> Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. <sup>6</sup> Those who observe the day, observe it in honour of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honour of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honour of the Lord and give thanks to God.

<sup>7</sup> We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. <sup>8</sup> If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. <sup>9</sup> For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.



<sup>10</sup> Why do you pass judgement on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgement seat of God. <sup>11</sup> For it is written,

'As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God.'

<sup>12</sup> So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

### **Gospel Reading: Matthew 18:21-35 *Forgiveness***

<sup>21</sup> Then Peter came and said to him, 'Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?' <sup>22</sup> Jesus said to him, 'Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.'

### ***The Parable of the Unforgiving Servant***

<sup>23</sup> 'For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. <sup>24</sup> When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; <sup>25</sup> and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. <sup>26</sup> So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything." <sup>27</sup> And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. <sup>28</sup> But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow-slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, "Pay what you owe." <sup>29</sup> Then his fellow-slave fell down and pleaded with him, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you." <sup>30</sup> But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he should pay the debt. <sup>31</sup> When his fellow-slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. <sup>32</sup> Then his lord summoned him and said to him, "You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. <sup>33</sup> Should you not have had mercy on your fellow-slave, as I had mercy on you?" <sup>34</sup> And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he should pay his entire debt. <sup>35</sup> So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister<sup>[e]</sup> from your heart.'

### ***Parish Prayer List***

*John Ellison, Andrew Garvock, Mrs. Hewitt, Pat Middleton, Chris Haynes, Ann Taylor, Carol Woodfield, Christine, Beatrice Yorsten, Gillian, Grant MacBeth, Ruth Banks, Marjorie Carruthers, Jim, Isla Mohamed, Jonathan Hall, Judith, Maureen McLoughlin, Baby Chloe Grace Taylor, Killian Coyles, Steven, Minnie Johannesen, James Moore, Jimmy McAskell, Alma Piggott, Margaret Guy, Margaret Wilson, Sharon Duggan, Rebecca Fox, Harriet Frazer, Karon's son, Nora Lough, Isabel Baker, Doris Edmondson, Kari, Simon Jackson, Elizabeth Blackburn, Joan Young, Steven, Revd Stuart Hill and Marion Wheetman.*

*We pray for the repose of the soul of all who have died recently, remember in prayer all those we love but no longer see, and hold in our prayers all who are grieving at this time.*



**At 2pm on Monday light a candle and join us in the community of the prayer circle from our own homes. All are welcome**

O God, the spirit of truth,  
help us to be truthful with one another.  
O God, the spirit of gentleness,  
help us to be gentle with one another.  
O God, who knows What is in our hear  
more clearly than we do ourselves,  
help us to hear one another.  
O God, lead us in the way  
of truth and love.  
Amen



Richard Harries, Praying Round the Clock

**The  
Children's  
Society**

### **Children Society Boxes**

It's that time of year again. Could you please bring your Children Society Boxes in for emptying. Either give them to Susan, or a church warden who can pass them on to me. If you can't carry your box, give me a ring and I'll collect it. Thank you so much for all your donations.  
Susan Short. Telephone: **07931445097**

### **HAND CRAFTED WITH LOVE**

The Knit Group would like to make Angels again this year, ready to be distributed during Advent. If you are a regular knitter or would like to join in, can you please pop a note on the parish email: [jarrowandsimnsinside@gmail.com](mailto:jarrowandsimnsinside@gmail.com) or leave a message on the parish answerphone 0191 4891925. Let us know if you need a knitting pattern, stuffing or wool and we will get back to you.

And please pass this on to any knitters you may know who may like to get involved! People can send in their knitting from home, wherever they are, or come along to Knit Group at St. Peter's, Tuesday's 2-4 pm. Thank you.

### **Parish FUNdraising events coming up**

**Afternoon Tea 16th Sept** – at St. John's  
Tickets £7  
Available from Dorothy & Jacki

**Beetle Drive with Pie & Peas  
Supper 20th Oct** –  
**NEW TIME 3 pm**  
At St. John's  
Tickets £5  
Avail from Dorothy & Jacki

**Clubbacise & Bingo Night  
8<sup>th</sup> November** at St. Peter's  
with Zumba Mel 7 pm.

**Table Top Sale Nov 11th** - £10 per  
table at St. John's  
Contact Dorothy on 4890924 to book  
your table.

**Christmas Afternoon Tea 9<sup>th</sup> Dec.**



### **Dates for Messy Church this Autumn:**

**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> September 3 pm** St. Peter's

**Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> October 3 pm** at St. John's

**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> November 3 pm** St. Peter's

**All Age Café Style Church with  
Crafts \* Songs \* Bible Story \* Quiet Time \*  
& stay on for some tea.**



## IN THE PARISH THIS WEEK – THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Date	Time	Service, Activity or Event	Location
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> September	9.00 am	Morning Prayer Livestream	St. Peter's
	10.30 am	St. Paul's Church and Shop open until 3.30 pm +Welcoming Place	St. Paul's
	2.00 pm	Prayer Circle in our own homes	At Home
	7.00 pm	Bede 1350 and St. Paul's Meeting	-----
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> September	Theodore, archbishop, 690 (Commemoration)		
	9.00 am	Morning Prayer at St. Peter's with Livestream	St. Peter's
	10.00 am	Holy Eucharist at St. Peter's with Livestream	
	10.30 am	St. Paul's Church and Shop open until 3.30 pm	St. Paul's
	11.00 am	Place of Welcome+ until 1 pm +Welcoming Place. Free Refreshments, somewhere to chat & support with CMA Team	St. Peter's
	2.00 pm	Knit Group until 4 pm	
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> September	John Coleridge Patterson, bishop, and companions, martyrs, 1871 (Lesser Festival)		
	9.00 am	Morning Prayer Livestream	St. Simon's
	10.00 am	Holy Eucharist at St. Simon's	
	10.30 am	St. Paul's Church and Shop open until 3.30 pm+Welcoming Place	St. Paul's
	11.00 am	Place of Welcome+ until 1 pm +Welcoming Place. Free Refreshments, somewhere to chat & support with CMA Team	St. Simon's
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> September	Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist (Festival)		
	9.00 am	Morning Prayer with Livestream	St. John's
	9.30 am	Coffee Stop at St. John's until 11 am	
	10.00 am	Holy Eucharist at St. John's with Livestream	St. Paul's
	10.30 am	St. Paul's Church and Shop open until 3.30 pm	
	11.00 am	Place of Welcome+ until 1 pm +Welcoming Place. Free Refreshments, somewhere to chat & support with CMA Team	St. John's
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> September	10.30 am	St. Paul's Church and Shop open until 3.30 pm	St. Paul's
Saturday 23 <sup>rd</sup> September	10.30 am	St. Paul's Church and Shop open until 3.30 pm +Welcoming Place	St. Paul's
	12.00 pm	Prayers for Pilgrims at St. Paul's	
Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup> September Sixteenth Sunday After Trinity	9.00 am	Holy Eucharist at St. John's w. Revd Jason and Canon Sheila	St. John's
	9.15 am	Holy Eucharist at St. Simon's w. Revd Jonathan	St. Simon's
	11.00 am	Holy Eucharist at St. Paul's and Livestream w. Revd Jason	St. Paul's
	11.00 am	Holy Eucharist at St. Peter's w. Canon Sheila	St. Peter's
	1.00 pm	Family Baptism at St. John's w. Revd Kayla	St. John's
	1.00 pm	Family Baptism at St. Paul's w. Revd Jason	St. Paul's
	2.00 pm	St. Paul's Church and Shop open until 4 pm	St. Paul's
	3.00 pm	Family Baptism at St. John's w. Revd Jason	St. John's

We rely on the generosity of members of our congregations, volunteers and visitors to our churches to help care for and maintain our buildings, which requires a tremendous amount of time, effort, energy and money. If you would like to make a donation in support of this work, there are envelopes and a collection plate at the back of the church or you can go online via this QR Code which will take you to [parishgiving.org.uk](https://www.parishgiving.org.uk) or visit:

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

**Thank you**

