

Notices

Notice to all Sidesmen

There are some important updates to give to you. Please meet me at the front of church near the piano today or following two Sundays at approx. 11.00am. Coffee first!! Thank You. Jo

Stokesley Branch Mothers' Union : Evening Group

Our next meeting will be on Monday, 9th March at 6, Hambleton Gate. The theme for our meeting will be the coming of 'Spring'!

Members are asked to think and pray about this theme and to bring along something to enhance these thoughts and prayers!

New members are always welcome...do come along and find out about the amazing work of the Mothers' Union Worldwide.

NetZero: 2030

The urgent challenge of Climate change, a Christian response.

Led by the Bishop of Sheffield, Pete Wilcox

Friday 13th March at Stokesley Parish Church at 7.30pm.

Preceded by refreshments at 7pm.

Taking the Word To The World

Deanery Lent Services, Thursdays at 7pm in Nunthorpe Church, preceded by refreshments at 6.30pm

12th March - Rt Revd Pete Wilcox, Bishop of Sheffield

Electoral Roll

The church Electoral Roll will be displayed on the notice board from today until Sunday 22nd March. Please check that your name is correctly spelled and let me know as soon as possible if it is incorrect.

Paula Davies, Electoral Roll Officer Tel: 01642 714972 or Email: paula@pixelfoto.co.uk

Children's Church - Sunday School

This will take place on the following dates:

Town Hall 9.30 - 10.30am March 8th.

As part of Morning praise - 9.30am on March 15th.

Sessions will be organised by Sarah Cook and Lucy Bryant. information see Jo.

New Archdeacon of Cleveland

The Archbishop of York Dr John Sentamu has announced the appointment of The Revd Dr Amanda Bloor as the new Archdeacon of Cleveland.

Amanda is currently Priest in Charge of Holy Trinity Bembridge on the Isle of Wight and Assistant Diocesan Director of Ordinands in the Diocese of Portsmouth. Ordained in 2004, she has previously served as Chaplain and Diocesan Advisor in Women's Ministry to the Bishop of Oxford, and as Area Director of Ordinands for Berkshire. She undertook Doctoral research in Clergy Wellbeing and has a keen interest in the flourishing of those engaged in ministry. She is also a Chaplain to the Army Cadet Force. Amanda is married to Mark and has two grown-up daughters.

Amanda will be collated as Archdeacon of Cleveland at Bishopthorpe Palace on 22 April 2020.



This Sunday

8.00 am Eucharist

9.30 am Sung Eucharist

Monday 9th

7.30 pm MU Evening Group at 6 Hambleton Gate

Tuesday 10th

Wednesday 11th

9.30 am Eucharist

Thursday 12th

7.00 pm Deanery Lent Service at Nunthorpe

Friday 13th

7.30 pm NetZero: 2030

Next Sunday

8.00 am Eucharist

9.30 am Morning Praise

6.00 pm Evening Prayer

Welcome

to the Revd Jon Dean from Great Ayton who leads our worship this morning.

Charity Of The Month

Open Door

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Lent 2



Music at Today's Service

9.30am

St Luke Setting

Introit 791

Gradual 149

Offertory 644

Choir Anthem God So Loved

Communion 126

Final 755

STOKESLEY & SEAMER
PARISH CHURCHES
8th March 2020

Collect for the Week

Almighty God, you show to those who are in error the light of your truth, that they may return to the way of righteousness: grant to all those who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may reject those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

First Reading

A reading from the book of Genesis

The LORD said to Abram, 'Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.' So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him.

This is the word of the Lord

Response: Thanks be to God.

**COME
+ SEE**

Second Reading

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans

What are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? 'Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness.' Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness. For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, 'I have made you the father of many nations') – Abraham believed in the presence of the God who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

This is the word of the Lord

Response: Thanks be to God.

The Gospel

President: Hear the gospel of our Lord
Jesus Christ according to John

Response: Glory to you, O Lord

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, 'Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the

presence of God.' Jesus answered him, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.' Nicodemus said to him, 'How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?' Jesus answered, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, "You must be born from above." The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.' Nicodemus said to him, 'How can these things be?' Jesus answered him, 'Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Response: Praise to you, O Christ.

We pray for:-

- Derwent Deanery and Revd Nick Bird (Area Dean)
- Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo and Archbishop Zacharie Katanda.
- Those working to eliminate poverty and improve welfare.
- All those who live in The Woods and Meadowfield.



Lord, let the light of your healing love touch the lives of:

*Mary, Peter, Neal, Mike, Ruth,
Pauline, Freda, Steve*

Rest In Peace:

Stephen John White, Mary Mackay

Today's Readings

Genesis 12.1-4a

Romans 4.1-5, 13-17

John 3.1-17

Week 2 in the cycle of prayer