



NEWSFLASH

WHITBURN PARISH CHURCH



29th May 2016

First Sunday after Trinity

SERVICES

10.00am Holy Eucharist (BCP)

6.30pm Evensong

Midweek Services

Monday 9.30am

O God,
 the strength of all those who put their trust in you,
 mercifully accept our prayers
 and, because through the weakness of our mortal nature
 we can do no good thing without you,
 grant us the help of your grace,
 that in the keeping of your commandments
 we may please you both in will and deed;
 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.

Eternal Father,
 we thank you for nourishing us
 with these heavenly gifts:
 may our communion strengthen us in faith,
 build us up in hope,
 and make us grow in love;
 for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Old Testament reading from 1 Kings 8. 22 – 23, 41 – 43

Then Solomon stood before the altar of the Lord in front of the whole assembly of Israel, spread out his hands toward heaven and said: “Lord, the God of Israel, there is no God like you in heaven above or on earth below – you who keep your covenant of love with your servants who continue wholeheartedly in your way. “As for the foreigner who does not belong to your people Israel but has come from a distant land because of your name – for they will hear of your great name and your mighty hand

We hope we are a friendly and welcoming bunch here at Whitburn. We do want to speak with you and get to know you. Please stay after the service, which ends after the organ voluntary, so that we can chat over a cup of coffee.





and your outstretched arm – when they come and pray toward this temple, then hear from heaven, your dwelling place. Do whatever the foreigner asks of you, so that all the peoples of the earth may know your name and fear you, as do your own people Israel, and may know that this house I have built bears your Name.

New Testament reading from Galatians 1. 1 – 12

Paul, an apostle – sent not from men nor by a man, but by Jesus Christ and God the Father, who raised him from the dead – and all the brothers and sisters[with me, To the churches in Galatia: Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, who gave himself for our sins to rescue us from the present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen. I am astonished that you are so quickly deserting the one who called you to live in the grace of Christ and are turning to a different gospel – which is really no gospel at all. Evidently some people are throwing you into confusion and are trying to pervert the gospel of Christ. But even if we or an angel from heaven should preach a gospel other than the one we preached to you, let them be under God’s curse! As we have already said, so now I say again: If anybody is preaching to you a gospel other than what you accepted, let them be under God’s curse! Am I now trying to win the approval of human beings, or of God? Or am I trying to please people? If I were still trying to please people, I would not be a servant of Christ. I want you to know, brothers and sisters, that the gospel I preached is not of human origin. I did not receive it from any man, nor was I taught it; rather, I received it by revelation from Jesus Christ.

The Gospel reading from Luke 7. 1 – 10

When Jesus had finished saying all this to the people who were listening, he entered Capernaum. There a centurion’s servant, whom his master valued highly, was sick and about to die. The centurion heard of Jesus and sent some elders of the Jews to him, asking him to come and heal his servant. When they came to Jesus, they pleaded earnestly with him, “This man deserves to have you do this, because he loves our nation and has built our synagogue.” So Jesus went with them. He was not far from the house when the centurion sent friends to say to him: “Lord, don’t trouble yourself, for I do not deserve to have you come under my roof. That is why I did not even consider myself worthy to come to you. But say the word, and my servant will be healed. For I myself am a man under authority, with soldiers under me. I tell this one, ‘Go,’ and he goes; and that one, ‘Come,’ and he comes. I say to my servant, ‘Do this,’ and he does it.” When Jesus heard this, he was amazed at him, and turning to the crowd following him, he said, “I tell you, I have not found such great faith even in Israel.” Then the men who had been sent returned to the house and found the servant well.



Congratulations

Congratulations to Lauren for successfully obtaining the RSCM Silver award with commendation. She will be presented with her award at the Diocesan Festival Service in the cathedral on Sat. June 25 at 5.30pm. It would be lovely if the parish was well represented from the congregation as a tangible way of showing our joy

Baptism

We offer prayers this morning for Noah and Sebastian who will be Baptised later today. We pray also for their parents and Godparents who will bring them up within the Christian family.

Free Pic-nic

The annual picnic will be held (weather permitting) on the village green as usual this year next Sunday 5th June. Come and join us

Bring your own food and drink and something to sit on.



Music will be provided by 'Cat's Night Out'

And there will also be a bouncy castle
for the kids.



You can book your selected spot from 12 noon and the music will start at 1pm. See you there. John Shield

Churchwardens

We pray for John Shield and Michael O'Brien who were admitted as our Churchwardens on Tuesday and we offer them our support in this role.

Evensong

Please come and join our worship at 6.30pm each week.

100 Club Winners

John Shield has pleasure in announcing the 100 Club winners for May: 1st Brenda Etherington; 2nd Elliott Hearn; 3rd Ian Davies.

Advance notice of Strawberry Teas

As part of the Whitburn Festival the Parish Church will be open on:

Saturday 25th June for Strawberry Teas from 12.00 to 4.00pm

South Tyneside Foodbank

Urgently ask for our help – to help others. At the back of church is a basket for food donations.

If we all added an extra couple of items to our shopping which could then be brought in on a Sunday morning, that would be wonderful.

They would be most grateful for items such as soups, variety pack of cereals, pasta sauces, tinned fruit, tinned potatoes, pasta etc; the list is endless. By making a donation we will help and support the vital work of this foodbank. Thank you

Church Clock – Latest

You will have noticed the Church Clock has now stopped. It has been stopping, starting and going on a go slow for some time now. John has talked to our clock maintenance engineer, Geoff Armitage who is hoping to visit to have a look to try and find the problem and solution.



Prayers for this week Please remember in your prayers this week Claudia, Linda Winchester, Michael and Greta Hafferty, Pamela Moody, Betty Kelly, Amy Hetherington, Jean Gibbons, Mike Hutson, Doreen Walker, Mary Stafford, Muriel Downs, Marion Williams, Ella Wright, Alf Middleton, Evelyn Dale, Wendy Lynch, Doreen Davis, Mary Stephenson, Eileen Cooper, Linda Franks, Janet Jennings, Andrew Rutherford, Ella Smith and Shelagh Wright and their families.



Obituary

We remember Ethel Oliver whose funeral took place recently and we keep Randle and his family in our prayers at this time.

Many Thanks for Your Prayers

Amy along with ourselves would like to extend thanks to one and all for continuing to pray for her for such a long time. She is finally beginning to respond to the new drug and is injecting weekly. Her oral consultant reported an improvement inside her mouth which was the best news as it has been very painful for such a long time and infected several times which stopped her being able to have the injections. Her energy levels are the thing that has improved the most enabling her to enjoy a week away and a week at home doing local things. She sees both oral and gastro consultants again at the beginning of July, a sure sign she is improving as the appointments are not fortnightly. She has begun her new job this week which she is enjoying so far. She and we wish you all a wonderful summer to come and thank you again.



Keith, Shirley and Amy Hetherington.

Garden Party

Tickets soon for the Garden Party Saturday 2nd July from 2pm. With kind permission of the Hays family. Watch this space

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If the answer machine is on, please leave a message, and he will ring you back. Or Email - reviand@manx.net

Stepping Stones Prayer

Dear Lord, Thank you for all the things that grow around us.

Help us to understand the world around us that you have created for us.

Help us to grow in Jesus' way.

Thank you for your love.

Give us hope that one day we will all live in peace and harmony.

Help us to love each other, following Jesus' way.

Members of the congregation are asked to bring to the attention of the Churchwardens any safety issues.

Second Sunday After Trinity

5th June 2016

8.30am

Holy Eucharist

10.00am

Family Service

6.30pm

Evensong (BCP)

