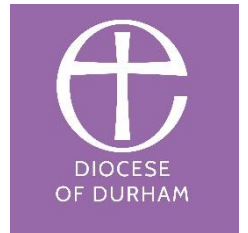




THE PARISH JARROW AND SIMONSDIE

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



Sixth Sunday after Trinity - 12th July 2026

You are warmly invited to worship with us this Sunday.

This week we meet for services in all four of our churches.

In today's Gospel reading we hear the parable of the sower. As we are reminded of our calling to sow the seeds of the gospel, where is the good ground for us to sow in our own lives today? And it also serves as a reminder that not all of the seeds we sow will bear fruit- the important thing is that we sow regardless.

We welcome Revd Paul Child to St Simon's and St Peter's to lead our services this morning.

This week we prayer for:-

- For Sofia and Alessia Kane who are both being baptized at St Peter's this afternoon.
- For more people in our parish to come to know Jesus Christ.
- For the staff and students at all the schools in our parish, breaking up for the summer holidays this week.
- All those who are caught up in conflict around the world.
- For those suffering today in body, mind or spirit.
- For those who are mourning a loved one at this time.

Hymn Numbers

St Paul's

175

Psalm 65, verses 8-13 Chant

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St Peter's & St John's

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St Simon's

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Please pray for all those taking up extra responsibilities at this time.

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Revd Andrew's day off is Friday.

Collect

Creator God,
you made us all in your image:
may we discern you in all that we see,
and serve you in all that we do;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Post Communion

God of our pilgrimage,
you have led us to the living water:
refresh and sustain us
as we go forward on our journey,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Old Testament Reading – Isaiah 55.10-13

For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return there until they have watered the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,¹¹ so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed in the thing for which I sent it.¹² For you shall go out in joy, and be led back in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall burst into song, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.¹³ Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress; instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle; and it shall be to the Lord for a memorial, for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

Psalm 65 *Refrain:- Be joyful in God, all the earth.*

1 Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion; ♦
to you that answer prayer shall vows be paid.
2 To you shall all flesh come to confess their
sins; ♦
when our misdeeds prevail against us,
you will purge them away. [R]
3 Happy are they whom you choose
and draw to your courts to dwell there. ♦
We shall be satisfied with the blessings of your
house,
even of your holy temple. [R]
4 With wonders you will answer us in your
righteousness,
O God of our salvation, ♦
O hope of all the ends of the earth
and of the farthest seas. [R]
5 In your strength you set fast the mountains ♦
and are girded about with might.
6 You still the raging of the seas, ♦
the roaring of their waves
and the clamour of the peoples. [R]
7 Those who dwell at the ends of the earth
tremble at your marvels; ♦
the gates of the morning and evening sing your
praise.

8 You visit the earth and water it; ♦
you make it very plenteous. [R]
9 The river of God is full of water; ♦
you prepare grain for your people,
for so you provide for the earth.
10 You drench the furrows and smooth
out the ridges; ♦
you soften the ground with showers
and bless its increase. [R]
11 You crown the year with your
goodness, ♦
and your paths overflow with plenty.
12 May the pastures of the wilderness
flow with goodness ♦
and the hills be girded with joy. [R]
13 May the meadows be clothed with
flocks of sheep ♦
and the valleys stand so thick with corn
that they shall laugh and sing. [R]

***Refrain: Be joyful in God, all the
earth***

New Testament Reading- Romans 8.1-11 Life in the Spirit

8 There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. ² For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. ³ For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, ⁴ so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.^[d] ⁵ For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit^l set their minds on the things of the Spirit.^[f] ⁶ To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. ⁷ For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed it cannot, ⁸ and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. ⁹ But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. ¹⁰ But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit^[i] is life because of righteousness. ¹¹ If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

Gospel Reading – Matthew 13.1-9, 18-23 The Parable of the Sower

13 That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the lake. ² Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. ³ And he told them many things in parables, saying: 'Listen! A sower went out to sow. ⁴ And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. ⁵ Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. ⁶ But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. ⁷ Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. ⁸ Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. ⁹ Let anyone with ears listen!'

¹⁸ "Hear, then, the parable of the sower. ¹⁹ When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. ²⁰ As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy, ²¹ yet such a person has no root but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away.^[c] ²² As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of this^[d] age and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. ²³ But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

Notices and News

PCC Meeting: The next meeting of PCC will be on Monday 13th July at 7pm in St Peter's. Please pray for all PCC members as we meet to discern, discuss and to pray together.

Confirmation: Are you interested in being confirmed? This is the step Christians take to 'confirm' their faith in Jesus Christ and are given the gift of the Holy Spirit. Speak to Revd Andrew for more details.

Foodbank donations: We would like to restart collecting donations of produce for our local foodbanks. If you are able to donate, please bring items to church with you and we will ensure they are passed on.

Do you shop online?: Easy Fundraising is a website that allows you to donate to a charity of your choice while using your favourite online retailers (amazon, boots, argos and many more!) at no extra cost to you. Just google 'Easy Fundraising' or go to the link below to find out more. <https://join.easyfundraising.org.uk/parish-of-jarrow-and-simonside/ujdq4x/c2s/jOGibRE4/CE079/textcopy/>

Parish Afternoon Tea: The Parish Afternoon Tea is re-scheduled for Saturday 12th September at St John's, more details to follow!

Circle of Prayer

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

Prayer for Openness
O God, open my heart
that it may be big enough to receive
the greatness of your love.
Open my heart that it may take into it
all those near and dear to me.

Open my heart that it may take in
all who are not lovely in my eyes
and whose hands I do not want to touch.
O God, open my heart
that it may be filled with generosity, kindness,
and reverence for all who enter
the scared space of life.
Amen.

The Parish Prayer List

Chris Haynes, Grant MacBeth, James Moore, Margaret Guy, Harriet Frazer, Nora Lough, Susan Pink, Jacqui Cullen, Muriel Robinson, Margaret Graves, George Dunn and Ryan.

For more information, please see our parish website:
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