

Regular events

- Little Saints:** every Monday 2-4pm in the church hall, except bank holidays.
- Tuesday Group** meets each week at 9.30am for gardening, grounds and DIY maintenance. Coffee at 11am. All welcome.
- Prayers for Sick** & other concerns. Wednesdays, 10am at 3 High Laws, NE3 1RQ.
- Book Group:** Weds 11th December, 7.30pm in the Winskell Room. The book is *Black Butterflies* by Priscilla Morris.
- Choir Practice:** Thursdays at 4.30-5.15pm (juniors), 7-8.15pm (adults & young people). Please speak to Drew if you'd like to join.
- Friday Café :** 10am-12pm in the Winskell Room}
- Friday Singing Group:** 11am-12pm in Middleton Room}
- Bell Practice:** Tower & handbell practice, Fridays, 7.30-9pm.
- Parish Walk:** Saturday 11th January. Full details in the notices.
- Children North East:** The CNE Collection Box will return to Church on Epiphany Sunday, January 5th 2025.

Those living with dementia are particularly welcome.

Vicar

Debbie Loughran - 07776 922580, Rev_debbie@hotmail.com

Churchwardens

Enid Pearson - 285 0958
enid@stgeorgesjesmond.org.uk

Janet Wilson - 07766 297359
janet@stgeorgesjesmond.org.uk

Parish Safeguarding Officer

Dr Sue Vernon - 07411099690
suejvernon@icloud.com

Parish Secretary

Jonathan Richards - 281 1659
office@stgeorgesjesmond.org.uk
Hours: weekdays except Wednesdays,
9.45am-12.45pm

The safeguarding, care, and protection of everyone involved in Church activities is the responsibility of all who participate in the life of the Church.

Pastoral Care: Joan Grenfell, Anna Chaplain; grenfelljoan@yahoo.com

Director of Music: Drew Cantrill-Fenwick, music@stgeorgesjesmond.org.uk

Bells: John Markham, Tower Captain; bells@stgeorgesjesmond.org.uk

Other contact details available on the website (below) or via the Parish Office.



stgeorgesjesmond.org.uk



St George's Church, Jesmond

St George's Church, Jesmond

A worshipping community: inclusive, nurturing, engaged

Sunday 8th December 2024 - The Second Sunday of Advent

Services in the Benefice Today

8am The Eucharist

9.30am Parish Eucharist
Sidespeople: Lorna and Paul Taylor
Readers: Davi Hill, Paul Taylor
Intercessor: Jean Davies

11am The Eucharist at St Hilda's

6pm Taizé

A service of prayer, music and contemplation

Services in the Benefice this Week

Tue 8.45am Morning Prayer (*St Hilda's*)
9.30am The Eucharist (*St Hilda's*)

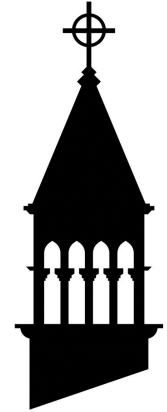
Thu 8.45am Morning Prayer (*St George's*)
9.30am The Eucharist (*St George's*)

Sunday 15th December (3rd of Advent)

8am The Eucharist

9.30am Parish Eucharist (All-age)

11am The Eucharist (*St Hilda's*)



Livestreaming: The 9.30am Eucharist (and some other main services) are now being livestreamed on our website and YouTube account. Please sit in the rear side aisles if you don't want to be seen.

Notices for the next sheet and additions/removals for the prayer list need to be sent to the Parish Office by 10am on a Thursday.

Life events: please contact Rev. Debbie with initial enquiries about weddings, blessings, banns, and baptisms.

Giving:

If you would like to support the work of St George's, you can donate via this QR code.



	<u>Service Details</u>	<u>Hymns</u>
Setting:	Darke in E / Peacock	38
First reading:	Malachi 3: 1-4 (p. 904)	815
Psalm:	75	53
		40

(The choir will sing the response first. You're invited to join in where indicated by R)

Response: I will rejoice for ever, and make music to the God of Jacob

We give thanks, O God, we give you thanks, for your name is near, as your wonderful deeds declare. 'I will seize the appointed time; I, the Lord, will judge with equity. Though the earth reels and all that dwell in her, it is I that hold her pillars steady.' **R**

'To the boasters I say, "Boast no longer," and to the wicked, "Do not lift up your horn. Do not lift up your horn on high; do not speak with a stiff neck."' **R**

For neither from the east nor from the west, nor yet from the wilderness comes exaltation. But God alone is judge; he puts down one and raises up another. **R**

For in the hand of the Lord there is a cup, well mixed and full of foaming wine. He pours it out for all the wicked of the earth; they shall drink it and drain the dregs. **R**

But I will rejoice for ever and make music to the God of Jacob. All the horns of the wicked will I break, but the horns of the righteous shall be exalted. **R**

Second reading: Philippians 1: 3-11 (NT p. 193)

Gospel Acclamation: Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight, and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.

Gospel: Luke 3: 1-6 (NT p. 57)

All who normally receive communion in any church are welcome to receive today. If you would prefer to receive a blessing, please bow your head and keep your hands at your sides when you come, to signal your intention. Gluten free wafers are available; please come to the central altar & ask if you require one.

When receiving the wine, please do not dip your wafer into the wine (intinction). All advice suggests that drinking from the cup is a more hygienic method of sharing.

Communion Motet: The truth from above - Vaughan Williams

Voluntary: Nun komm' der Heiden Heiland, BWV 659 - Bach

After the 9.30am service, you are warmly invited to join us for refreshments, served in the hall by Sue King, Maggie Paczek, Rosemary Garvey, and Izzy McDonald-Booth.

Thank you to all who helped with and attended the Ceilidh last weekend. Almost £600 was raised towards the Hub Advent Appeal's £15,000 target.

St Paul's Youth Ensemble Christmas Concert: TODAY, 4pm in St George's Church. It will feature music by Mozart, Vivaldi, traditional music, and Christmas carols. Admission is £5 - children go free.

Piano Recital: Philip Christian will perform Bach, Brahms, the Chopin B Minor sonata, and two Beethoven piano sonatas. All Saints Gosforth TODAY, 3pm. Free entry but any donations would be gratefully received.

Church Cleaning will take place on Saturday 14th December at 9.30am.

Cast and Stewards needed for the Living Nativity on December 14th: Join Honey the miniature donkey for a narrated walk around Jesmond, including St. Hilda's and Cestria House. Very small speaking parts and costumes kindly provided by the Cathedral. If you can help, contact Kay (07854598466), Debbie or any member of the Children & Youth Group. Thank you!

Open Vicarage: Debbie and family will be having an open house on Sunday 15th December, 3-6pm. All welcome!

St George's Church calendars: The wonders of our iconic building are immortalised in our 2025 calendar, a mere £5 per copy. Copies are on the back table in church, the Parish office, and also at Friday Cafe.

Friends Christmas cards: just £4 per pack of 10 cards with envelopes. They can be bought from Barbara P or from Jonathan in the Parish Office.

Christmas with the Singers: the Singers return for their annual Christmas concert. Saturday 14th December, 7pm in St George's Church. Tickets are £12.50 on the door, which includes seasonal refreshments.

Parish Walk: Saturday 11th January - a 4-5 mile circular walk from church through Jesmond Dene, Heaton Park and the Jesmond Cemeteries. Mostly flat and on paths. Coffee on the route at The Biscuit Factory. Meet at the church hall by 9.30am. More details from Alison Mattinson or via the office.

Loose Ladies: *And Then There Were None* - a mystery thriller based on the best selling crime novel of all time - Friday 17th January, 7.30pm at the People's Theatre. £16/£13.50 conc. To reserve a place contact Alison Mattinson/the office.

Office hours: beginning Wednesday 27th November, the office will be closed on Wednesdays to the end of 2024.

Working with Children North East: Alex Kirkpatrick sends her thanks to everyone who helped to fill Box 17 and for the lovely Christmas items. As always, everything is greatly appreciated. The CNE Box will return to church in January. *"What you do for the least of my brothers and sisters..."*

The last Sing & Socialise session before Christmas will be on Friday 13th December. It will resume on Friday 3rd January.