

Team Parish of Christ the King St Aidan's, Brunton Park Sunday 12th May 2024 Christian Aid Week

This Sunday is a busy for us at St Aidan's! We've got lots of things to mark: the beginning of Christian Aid Week, the beginning of 'Thy Kingdom Come', our AGM, and Violet Mede's 100th birthday! It seems like a good day to read Paul's words to the church in Corinth as he speaks about the church as the body of Christ. Together we make up a wonderful and diverse body: a group of people bound together just like bones and muscles and sinew make up a body; a group of people who depend on each other's diverse experiences, gifts and talents, to be who God is calling us to be.

On a week with so much going on, that looks both at our local church community, and all there is to celebrate here, as well as to the global church and the ways we can support others across the world, perhaps we might celebrate that we are Christ's body, and each members of it. I, certainly, am incredibly grateful to be part of this body at St Aidan's as I offer what I can, and I am also incredibly grateful for all the ways that each of you do the same in our life together.

1 Corinthians 12.12-27

The body is a unit, though it is made up of many parts; and though all its parts are many, they form one body. So it is with Christ. For we were all baptised by one Spirit into one body – whether Jews or Greeks, slave or free – and we were all given the one Spirit to drink.

Now the body is not made up of one part but of many. If the foot should say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," it would not for that reason cease to be part of the body. And if the ear should say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," it would not for that reason cease to be part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the sense of hearing be? If the whole body were an ear, where would the sense of smell be? But in fact God has arranged the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be. If they were all one part, where would the body be? As it is, there are many parts, but one body.

The eye cannot say to the hand, "I don't need you!" And the head cannot say to the feet, "I don't need you!" On the contrary, those parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and the parts that we think are less honourable we treat with special honour. And the parts that are unpresentable are treated with special modesty, while our presentable parts need no special treatment. But God has combined the members of the body and has given greater honour to the parts that lacked it, so that there should be no division in the body, but that its parts should have equal concern for each other. If one part suffers, every part suffers with it; if one part is honoured, every part rejoices with it.

Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it.

Matthew 28.16-20

The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.'

TODAY

9.30am: **Easter 7** Rev'd Gerard Rundell preaches and preaches

11.30am: AGM, Church

THE WEEK AHEAD

Mon-Fri 8.50am, Church: Morning Prayer

Wed 10.00am, Church: BCP Midweek Eucharist

7.30pm: **APCM**, St Cuthbert's

Fri 7.30pm: **Beetle Drive**, Church

Sat 10.00am: Big Brekkie Saturday Café, Community RoomSun 9.30am: Pentecost Rev'd Gerard Rundell presides and

preaches. Readings: TBC

4.00pm: **Team Evensong**, Church

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Sun 19th May 4.00pm: **Team Evensong**, Church Wed 5th 12.00pm: **Lunch Group**, Rugby Club

Sat 15th Jun TBC: **Summer Fair**, Church

Sat 22nd Jun All day: **Parish Away Day**, Alnmouth

NOTICES

SUNDAY SERVICE – today's service link is https://bit.ly/StAidan2024Easter7

VIOLET MEAD – has celebrated her 100th birthday. Happy birthday, Violet. Please join us after today's service for cake (and maybe even some fizz).

PRAY FOR YOUR STREET - between Ascension and Pentecost, Christians all over the world take part in a special week of prayer - Thy Kingdom Come. At St Aidan's we are joining in by committing to pray for the street we live on. Please pick up a prayer card at the back of church and use it to help you pray this week!

LUNCH GROUP - will meet at 12.00pm on Wednesday 5th June at the Rugby Club for a 12.30 pm lunch. Names to Pat or Pauline if you would like to join us.

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK – has started. We have our Beetle Drive to look forward to on Friday, with a pizza supper – the sign up sheet is at the back of church, and our Big Brekkie is on Saturday. Please spread the word and support both events if you can.

INFORMATION PACK & AGM – the information packs we put together last week have almost all gone. They have lots of information about life at St Aidan's, the AGM reports, giving booklets and feedback forms. There are spares if you haven't already got one. The AGM is after today's service at 11.30am and everyone is welcome to attend.

TEAM EVENSONG – Next Sunday at 4pm, there will be a Team Evensong for Pentecost. This time we're hosting it here at St Aidan's. Please do join with other members from across the team to pray and offer praise to God together.

ZOOM CODES – all our Zoom sessions will use only the following details:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7573778713?pwd=NGVjcTRLQjBEaStqYjFDSm1KOURtQT09 Meeting ID: 757 377 8713 Passcode: StAidan

BOOKING ZOOM MEETINGS: if you would like to use the St Aidan's Zoom account for a church meeting, please contact Janice

FOOD BANK – any items placed in the box at the back of church will be donated to Kenton Foodbank.

PLANNED GIVING - If you would like to set up a regular financial gift to support St Aidan's please click on the following link

https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/find-your-parish/brunton-park-st-aidannewcastle-upon-tyne

For Our Prayers: St Aidan's Cycle of Prayer

For the church - Diocesan and Deanery Synods. Our Thursday groups and Men's group

For the community – Manor House, Bowmont House and Melton House For the world – all countries facing hardship and conflict. For our own national and political life

For those in need - Esther Wooler, Martin Seaton, Bill Yeaman, Sue Bates For those who have died – and on their anniversaries: Joan Sargent, Margaret Turnbull, Mary Irving



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