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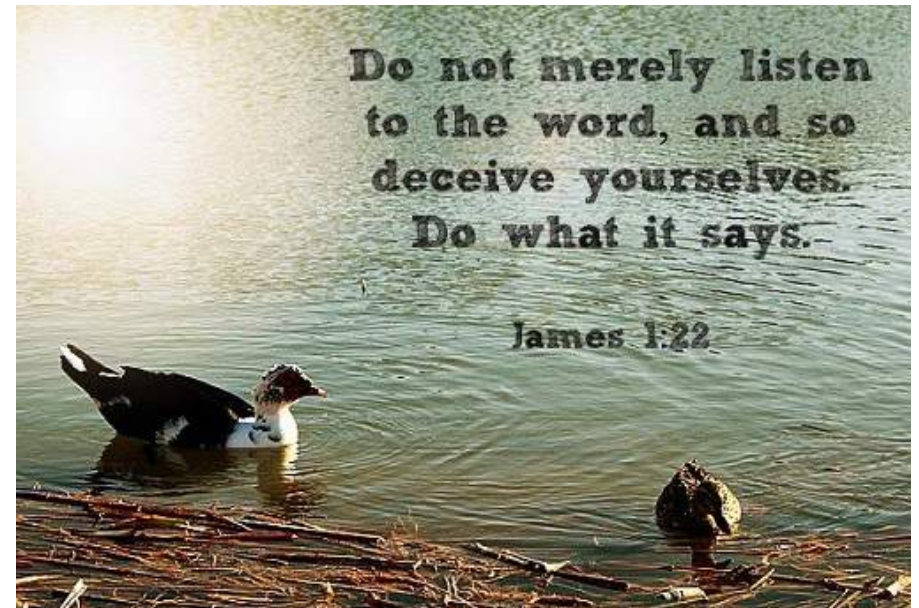
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"The LORD himself goes before you and will be with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged."

The Magazine of the Parishes of St Aidan's and St George's with Grace Church, Barrow-in-Furness

TEAM TALK



February & March 2019

Team website: www.sbtchurches.co.uk



50p





FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT 25 FEBRUARY—10 MARCH

Sit down for breakfast,
stand up for farmers!

As Martin Luther King famously said, 'before you finish eating breakfast in the morning, you've depended on more than half the world'. Despite our dependence on farmers and workers for the foods, drinks and products that we love, about 795 million people are undernourished globally.

The people who grow the food we take for granted can't always feed their own families. We can support farmers and workers to put food on the table for their families by harnessing the power of a Fairtrade breakfast.

The SOUTH BARROW TEAM is committed to supporting FAIR TRADE and will endeavour to use & promote Fairtrade products whenever possible.

Consecration of the Revd Dr Emma Ineson as Bishop of Penrith



Anyone wishing to attend the Consecration of the Revd Dr Emma Ineson as Bishop of Penrith at York Minster on Wednesday, 27th February 2019 at 11 am, is welcome to do so. Tickets are not required for the congregation, but we have to submit numbers to York Minster beforehand. At this stage no transport has been arranged but if there is sufficient interest from Barrow churches, a coach could be arranged, though there would be an inevitable coach fare. At this stage, please indicate on the list if the back of church if you'd be interested in attending this special occasion. Please sign up by Sunday 3 February 2019.

NB: There is also a Service of Welcome at Carlisle Cathedral on Sunday 17 March at 3 pm.

SBT CHRISTMAS FAIR A big THANK YOU to everyone who helped and/or supported the Christmas Fair, held at St Georges. This was a happy occasion enjoyed by many and raised almost £960 (compared with £800 in 2017)! Well done everyone and thanks be to God!

TEAM TALK

**The next edition of TEAM TALK will be in April 2019.
News items and articles should be forwarded to ALISON OTTO
by Sunday 24 March 2019 at the latest.**

Please email:

*alison.otto@cumbria.ac.uk OR alisonotto15@gmail.com or deliver to
42 Devon Street, LA13 9PX*

The annual subscription for Team Talk is only £3 for the year (if posted, please add £4). Cheques should be made payable to 'St George with St Luke PCC' and forwarded to Miss Pat Hughes, 24 Kent Street, Barrow-in-Furness, LA13 9 QT. If you pay UK Income tax please consider making your subscription into a donation and Gift Aid it. Thank you

ADVERTISING IN TEAM TALK

Do you know of a local business or organisation who would consider advertising in TEAM TALK? While providing publicity for the advertiser, the income would support the local church in South Barrow. Please put prospective advertisers in touch with the Team Rector. Thank you!

THE COFFEE CLUB

The COFFEE CLUB has resumed for the autumn and happens fortnightly at Roose School, North Row, on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month between 9.30 am and 10.30 am. Children in Year 6 will be provide cakes, so come along for a coffee and meet up with friends old and new!

MOTHER'S UNION +

It is great that 'MOTHER'S UNION +' is to continue this year thanks to Janice Eadington, the Barrow and Furness Deanery Leader and



now Diocesan President for the Mother's Union. 'MOTHER'S UNION +' group which will meet in the Pennington Room at St George's once a month. These gatherings will include a short service followed by tea and fellowship and are open to existing and potential Mother's Union members. The meetings will normally be at 2 pm on the following dates:

21 st February	Pennington Room, St George's
15 th March	Lady Day at Aldingham (TBC)
18 th April, Maundy Thursday	Holy Communion at St Aidan's at 2 pm + Tea
22 nd May	Sharing Day at Shap
20 th June	Pennington Room, St George's
19 th July	Pennington Room, St George's
9 th August, Mary Sumner Day	Dalston

For more information please contact Janice on telephone: 01229 580175 or e mail: ceaderje@aol.com

EASTER FAIR

At St Aidan's Church & Cafe
Saturday 20 April
1 pm until 3 pm

Easter Crafts & Treats!
Homemade cakes! Tea &
Coffee! All welcome!



Pause for
thought...
**Jesus - His
Passion
is for you**

Sunday Worship during February & March 2019

- 3 February *9.30 am Holy Communion at St Aidan's
*10.30 am Holy Communion at St George's
- 10 February *9.30 am Morning Worship at St Aidan's
*10.30 am Holy Communion at St George's
- 17 February *10.30 am Team Communion at St George's
- 24 February *9.30 am Holy Communion at St Aidan's
*10.30 am Morning Worship at St George's
12 noon Baptisms @ St George's
- 3 March *9.30 am Holy Communion at St Aidan's
*10.30 am Holy Communion at St George's
- 10 March *9.30 am Morning Worship at St Aidan's
*10.30 am Holy Communion at St George's
- 17 March *10.30 am Team Communion at St Aidan's
- 24 March *9.30 am Holy Communion at St Aidan's
*10.30 am Morning Worship at St George's
12 noon Baptisms @ St George's
- 31 March **MOTHERING SUNDAY**
*9.30 am Holy Communion at St Aidan's
*10.30 am Holy Communion at St George's
- 7 April *9.30 am Holy Communion at St Aidan's
*10.30 am Holy Communion at St George's
- 14 April *10.30 am CONFIRMATION & TEAM COMMUNION
SERVICE at St George's WITH THE Bishop of Carlisle
- 21 April **EASTER DAY**
*9.30 am Easter Communion at St Aidan's
*10.30 am Easter Communion at St George's
12 noon Baptisms @ St George's

**Refreshments will be served after these services.*

The South Barrow Team Register

Baptisms

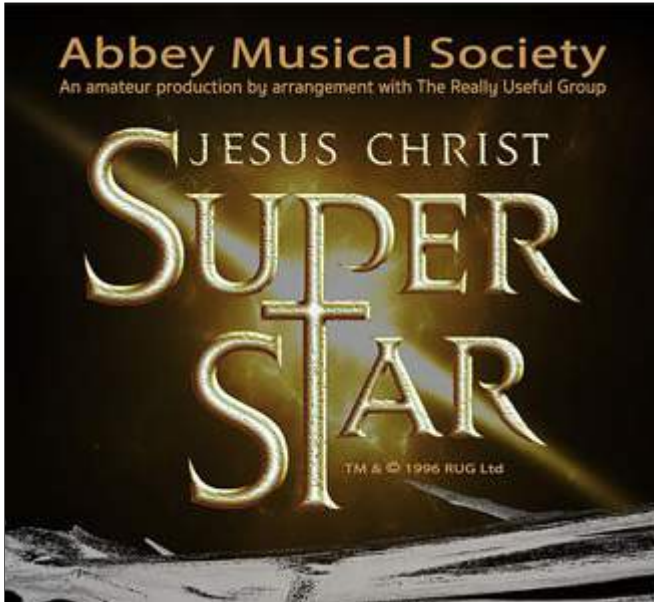
- 23 December Angel Sienna Price (B:5/7/11) at St George's
 23 December Cole Jason Price (B:16/11/09) at St George's
 23 December Neo Apollo Price (B:28/6/18) at St George's

Funerals

We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of:

- 19 December Jack Hordon (87) at Thorncliffe Crematorium
 19 December Phyllis Jones (93) at Thorncliffe Crematorium
 4 January 2019 Shirley Richardson (79) at Thorncliffe Crematorium
 11 January Betty Wood (88) @ St George's Church
 14 January Esther Paton (91) at Thorncliffe Crematorium

Enquiries about Thanksgiving for the Birth of a Child, Baptism, Weddings, Renewal of Marriage Vows and Funerals should be directed to any of the clergy (see page 16 for contact details) Thank you



Fancy a night out at The Forum?

The Abbey Music Society are performing

JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR

Monday 18 March
 until
 Saturday 23 March

Tickets: £13 /£11

"If you believe what you like in the gospels, and reject what you don't like, it is not the gospel you believe, but yourself." Saint Augustine

Christmas Flowers at St. Aidan's & St George's

A BIG THANK YOU... to those who decorated the South Barrow Team churches, to Holker Estate for the Christmas tree (St George's) and to those who gave donations towards the cost of flowers. The churches look great as we celebrate the birth of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ!

CONFIRMATION 2019

There is to be a Confirmation Service in South Barrow on Sunday 14 April with Bishop James. Adults and young people (school year 9 & upwards) who wish to confirm their faith in Jesus Christ please contact Gary Cregeen, the Team Rector (01229 877367); he will provide details of preparation which will help you in this important decision.



Alternatively, if you would like to know more about Confirmation generally Gary will be glad to help you.

HELP FOR THE HOMELESS

Thank you to all those who donated towards the 'Emergency Shelter' through signing the Big Christmas Card - across the South Barrow Team almost £120 was raised. Well done!

ASH WEDNESDAY COMMUNION

Wednesday 6 March 2019

10 am at St Aidan's Church with Canon Gary Cregeen, followed coffee in the Café Area

7.30 pm in the Ramsden Chapel, St George's with Canon Gary Cregeen

Do come along as we embark into Lent 2019 - everyone welcome!

"For God so loVed the world,

That He gAve

His onLy

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That Whosoever

Believeth In Him

Should Not perish

But have Everlasting life."

-- John 3:16

MEALS AND FOOD IN BARROW FOR HOMELESS AND IN NEED

The following information has been provided by the Barrow Mission Community, Churches Together in Barrow & District and Barrow Foodbank. Here is a list of places locally which offer hospitality and provide food and drinks, either free or heavily subsidised.

MONDAY: St. Marks - 10 am Coffee & Chat; 12md—Lunch Club
12 md—4 pm Barrow Community Kitchen
12 md—1 pm Bath Street Lunch - 2 course meal, £1.70 (some discretion)
The Salvation Army, Abbey Road, can provide a shower, possible help with clothes and a café from 9.30am to 2 pm. Cost of breakfast is £1.95, plus low cost nutritious meals and snacks (some discretion)

TUESDAY: Bath Street (as Monday).
The Salvation Army (as Monday)

WEDNESDAY: 12 md - 4 pm - Barrow Community Kitchen
11am to 1pm: Hartington Street Methodist 'Pay As You can Lunch'
Bath Street (as Monday).
The Salvation Army (as Monday)

THURSDAY: 12 Soup Lunch at Abbey Road Baptist Church
Bath Street (as Monday).
The Salvation Army (as Monday)

FRIDAY: 10.30 am Drop-in Coffee Morning at Ramsden Street URC.
12 md - 4 pm - Barrow Community Kitchen
Bath Street (as Monday).
The Salvation Army (as Monday)

SATURDAY

SUNDAY: 2.30pm - 5pm Barrow Community Kitchen at Roosecote

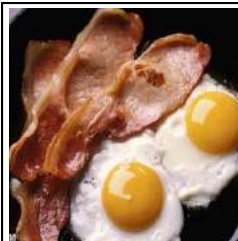
REMEMBER: Put your clocks FORWARD 1 hour before you go to bed on Saturday 30 March!



LIFE|EXPLORED

WHAT'S THE BEST GIFT
GOD COULD GIVE YOU?

Tuesdays at 7.45 pm at The Rectory,
98 Roose Road. Chat to Gary for
more details!



'REAL LIFE' BREAKFASTS:

Saturday 16 February (with Revd Robin Ham)
Saturday 16 March (with Canon Gary Cregeen)

10 am until 11.15 am at St George's Church Hall

Join us for delicious breakfast buns (contain bacon, sausage or both!), good company and the opportunity to be encouraged and inspired by a 'real life' story of someone living out their Christian faith. Come along and invite a friend!

NB Food will be served between 10 am and 10.45 am (Donations, if desired)



CUMBRIA
CHRISTIAN
LEARNING

Growing disciples for mission

HEALING ENCOUNTERS WITH THE GOD WHO SPEAKS

Saturday 2nd March 2019
10am-1pm (coffee 9.45am)
Rampside Village Hall

God is eager to communicate with us and bring us healing. We will explore some of the ways in which He speaks to us through music, art, nature, people and scripture. We will look at the role of words of knowledge and prophecy, and the place of silence and solitude. We will have opportunity to hear God for ourselves and for others.

Led by: Liz Currie LLM and Rev. Elaine Bates

Cost £5 Bookings: Liz Currie
Payable on the day busylizzy9@btinternet.com
Includes refreshments Tel: 01229 835772/07473 136619
Includes refreshments

Rampside Village Hall, 83 Rampside Road Barrow, LA13 0HN. Free parking.



MOTHERING SUNDAY –
an opportunity to give thanks and to celebrate mum's!

SUNDAY 31 MARCH
at 9.30 am (St Aidan's) & 10.30 am (St George's)

**Why not invite someone to come along to church
with you on this special day?**

St George's 'FIT FOR PURPOSE'

It's been lovely over recent weeks to feel the benefit of the new heating system at St George's; people have commented favourably, including many visitors over Christmas, at the difference it is making. However, unforeseen work in the toilets has delayed completion of this phase of the project. We have been advised that there will be an additional cost of around £1500. Quotes are being sought for this work, which we hope will be carried out as soon as possible, once funds are available.

STAINED GLASS REPAIR

A big THANK YOU to those who organised and supported the recent Pie Competition at St George's. Also, £550 was raised towards the cost of repairing the window, which is amazing! In the meantime, we are grateful to WP Roofing who have kindly offered to pay for & install a polycarbonate sheet to protect the window and to comply with insurance requirements. We had received an estimate for this work of £800 and so this help is very generous. Also, a further two donations of £500 have been received!

CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL

This year, under the Church Representation Rules, a new Church Electoral Roll has to be prepared. Regular worshippers at either St Georges, St Aidan's or Grace Church are invited to fill in an application form for enrolment on the Electoral Roll, which is effectively a list of membership and enables you to vote at the Annual Parochial Church Meetings: (St Aidan's - Sunday 7 April at 9.30 am; St George's - Monday 15 April at 7 pm). Application Forms are available in the churches now and should be returned by Sunday 10 March at the latest. Thank you

The Annual Parochial Church Meetings

will be held on **Sunday 7 April at 9.30 am at St Aidan's and at 7 pm on Monday 15 April at St George's**

At the APCM we elect Churchwardens, members to the PCC's, and appoint stewards. In order to participate in these elections you need to be on the Electoral Roll. In readiness for the APCM's could those providing **Reports ensure they are will your respective PCC Secretary by Sunday 10 March at the latest please.** Do please make the APCMs a priority in your prayers and by seeking to be present.

LENT LUNCHES AT ST GEORGE'S & ST AIDAN'S + TEARFUND'S EMERGENCY YEMEN APPEAL



Each Tuesday at St George's and Thursday at St Aidan's hearty homemade soup, with a bread roll, will be served between 12.15 pm and 1.15 pm. Tea/coffee will be served afterwards. All proceeds will be given to Tearfund's YEMEN APPEAL.

Yemen is home to the world's worst humanitarian crisis today – with 22.2 million people in urgent need of humanitarian aid. The nation has been left devastated after nearly four years of conflict. Thousands of innocent civilians have died and three-quarters of Yemenis can't access safe water, food, healthcare or sanitation. The people of Yemen are facing multiple crises, including armed conflict, displacement, disease and a risk of famine. Tearfund's partners in Yemen are working tirelessly in very difficult circumstances to reach those suffering the most. They are providing safe drinking water and food for vulnerable households, and improving access to healthcare and hygiene advice to reduce the spread of deadly disease. With more funds, TEARFUND and their partners can immediately respond to the growing needs of the people who have fled into Bangladesh with nothing, as well as help the overstretched communities hosting them. Our support can help save lives. The issue is huge and is getting worse - donations from the Lent Lunches will help Tearfund and their partners demonstrate Christian Concern In Action. Be part of it!

Lent Groups 2019. This year our existing Fellowship Groups will 'double up as Lent Groups - existing members and those wishing to attend for Lent only are most welcome when we meet on Tuesdays at:
1.30 pm in the Pennington Room at St George's (Gary)
8 pm at The Rectory, 98 Roose Road (Julie)

The Lent meetings will be relaxed, enjoyable, informative, & helpful and are open to everyone - why not come along!

How do I make a regular donation? Regular giving is an enormous help to us in our planning. It also saves effort for the giver. Standing orders are the easiest way to make monthly/quarterly/annual payments. Please fill in a Standing Order Form (available from the Treasurer) and return it either Pat (St Georges) or Sheila (St Aidan's) and they will pass it on to your bank. Alternatively you can give through the Freewill Offering Scheme - dated envelopes are provided for this method of regular giving—again, ask your local Treasurer for details.

How do I make a single donation? Please make cheques payable to either 'St George with St Luke PCC' or 'St Aidan's PCC' and give your cheque (or cash) to the respective Treasurer or Churchwardens. Alternatively you can ask your bank to do a credit transfer into whichever PCC account you choose – again, ask the local Treasurer for details.

How do I give tax efficiently? If you pay income tax in the UK, please complete a Gift Aid Declaration (available at the back of Church—Joy of Giving Pack). This will increase the value of your donation by 25% because we can claim the tax back. There is no minimum amount or minimum duration. So, giving:

£5 a week would become £6.25

£10 a week would become £12.50

£25 a week would become £31.25

£40 a week would become £50.00

Or, if you wanted to consider a one-off gift...

£250 would become £312.50

£400 would become £500

£750 would become £960

£1000 this would become £1250

How do I increase or decrease my giving? If you give by Standing Order, complete a new form and let your local Treasurer know that it supersedes your previous instructions.

Giving at St Aidan's & St George's Supporting the Ministry

In order to meet the day to day running costs of St Aidan's and St George's, we are totally dependent on the giving of Church members - your generous support is both vital and appreciated. At present we are unable to cover our costs and so this special article seeks to explain the reason for Christian Giving, the difference our giving makes and how we can imitate God's generosity.

Why Give? According to the Bible we give...

In response to God's grace

God has lavished His love on sinful people like us, in the life, death and resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ. As our Creator and Sustainer, He has given us all we have - food, clothes, housing, friends etc. We who have received such undeserved generosity are to give abundantly in response. When we see needs we are to be like God - we are to be ready and willing to give, not reluctantly, for God loves a cheerful giver.

In response to God's gifts

Giving is not limited to financial giving, it includes giving ourselves to every good work. God wants us to be generous not just with our money but with our time, energy, skills, property and homes. If we acknowledge God's gifts to us we will want to have to give generously as a way of showing our gratitude—not because we have to but because we want to.

In response to the needs of God's people

Paul encourages the Corinthian Christians to give generously to a collection for other Christians in great poverty. As members of God's family our primary responsibility is to give towards the needs of the Christian family. The needs may be local (e.g. the ministry at St Aidan's, St George's or Barrow Foodbank) or further a field (in the UK or abroad). Wherever they are, God's people should come first in our giving; those who teach the word of God (1 Timothy 5 v.17); those in need in our churches (James 1 v.27, 1 Timothy 5 v.8); those in need in other churches (2 Corinthians 8-9). For the day to day running of the Churches in South Barrow Team area, we are totally dependent on the giving of the congregations - your support is both vital and appreciated.

How much? Again, let us see what the Bible says - we are to give...

Abundantly

Paul stresses the lavish nature of God's giving toward us so that we may give generously in response. The Old Testament commanded a tithe (10% of income). The New Testament is far more radical; we are to be generous givers of all we have (see Romans 12 v.8; 1 Corinthians 16 v.2). Some will give more than 10% of their income, others far less.

Thoughtfully

We each should give what we have decided in our heart to give (2 Cor. 9 v.7). We need to think carefully about what resources we have been given, what our responsibilities are and how we can give money in the most effective way.

Joyfully

God loves a cheerful giver. It's easy to give for the wrong reasons—to relieve our guilt, to avoid other avenues of Christian service, to be seen to be generous by others. Paul tells us that God loves a joyful response to all He has lavished upon us.

Sacrificially

Giving is a reflection of our love. The Macedonian Christians gave as much as they were able (2 Corinthians 8 v.3).

"Each person should give what they have decided to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound in you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work." (2 Corinth. 9 v.7-8)

If I want to give regularly, increase my giving or find out if I am eligible to gift-aid my donations, who should I speak to?

For St George's: Pat Liddicott (01229 830239)

For St Aidan's: Sheila Simpson (01229 839563)

How much? In Practice

If Jesus is Lord and He has given us everything, we should consider first what to give back, before looking at our expenses, desires and needs. The first practical step is to work out how much money we have to start with—jot down your total annual household income (salary, benefits, interest, etc.) Then, prayerfully consider how much you would like to set aside from this amount to give. You can work out the actual amount using the table below

	Example 1	Example 2	Example 3	Example 4	Your Figures
Total Income	£5000	£5000	£25000	£25000	£ A
Percentage you want to give	5%	10%	5%	10%	% B
Annual Gift (AxB/100)	£250	£500	£1250	£2500	£ C
Monthly Gift (C/12)	£20.83	£41.66	£104.17	£208.33	£ D
Weekly Gift (C/52)	£4.81	£9.62	£24.04	£48.08	£ E

This process of working out how much to give will of course need to be repeated each year or so, or as your income changes.

Frequently asked questions

Where does my money go? Our financial commitments are in the following main areas: running costs for our church buildings (i.e. heating, lighting, insurance), office materials, utilities, maintenance, Christian ministry such as local ministry (i.e. The Team Rector, Curates, etc), pensions for retired ministers, specialist ministries within the Diocese (i.e. Stewardship, Training, etc.), and those training for Christian ministry. We are also committed to God's work further a field—such as Barrow's Network Youth Project, St George's CE School, as well as community schools in the area, FGH, etc.