

TODAY Trinity 13	8.30am 10.15am 5-7pm	Holy Communion Parade and All Age Worship Sunday Supper (Years 6+)	St. Stephen's St. Aidan's Parish Hall
Tuesday 17 th	9-11am 7.30- 9pm	Squeals on Wheels (Babies and Toddlers) Craft Evening	St. Aidan's Ellis Room
Thursday 19 th	7-7.30am 10am	Meeting for Prayer Holy Communion	St. Aidan's St. Aidan's
Sunday 22 nd Trinity 14	8.30am 10.15am 12.15pm 5-7pm	Holy Communion Holy Communion Baptism Service Sunday Supper (Years 6+)	St. Stephen's St. Stephen's St. Stephen's Parish Hall

Bible readings for Sunday 22nd September

Jeremiah 8: 18- 9:1 (Page 636) Luke 16: 1-13 (Page 875)

These may be subject to change

A FRANCISCAN CREATION PRAYER

God our Father,
you created the world and sent your own Son to live among us,
made of the same stuff, breathing the same air,
marvelling at sunrise and sunset just as we do.

Help us to participate in the life around and within us as your life,
as you living in us and we living in you and in each other.

God of love and life, restore us to your peace,
renew us through your power and teach us to love all that you
have created and to care for the earth as your gift and our home.

Amen.

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Welcome to the Church of St. Stephen & St. Aidan

News From The Pews

15th September 2019

Celebrating Creation

Collect

Almighty God,
give us reverence for all creation
and respect for every person,
that we may mirror your likeness
in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Today's Readings are:

8.30am: Matthew 21:6-9 (page 826), Revelation 22:1-5 (p1041)
10.15am: Genesis 2: 8, 9, 15-17 (p2) & Revelation 22:1-5 (p1041)

Post Communion

Almighty God,
you have created the heavens and the earth
and made us in your own image:
teach us to discern your hand in all your works
and your likeness in all your children;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who with you and the Holy Spirit
reigns supreme over all things,
now and for ever. **Amen**

PLEASE PRAY THIS WEEK FOR:

- us to be the Church Christ calls us to be.
- local schools and teachers settling back into the new school year.
- those living in: Tudor Road.
- Sarah, Peter and family, Peter Shaw, Ann Pugh, Hazel Elrod, Anna & Peter Lewis, Evelyn Wroe & Lauren, Kimberly and family.
- Jem Parker as she begins her 2nd year exploring ministry in Falmouth, for Carys & Tony Tew as they travel to Australia.
- Brexit!

NOTICES

A WARM WELCOME to all today, to Rev Andrew Bailey as our speaker, and especially to any visitors among us.

In our services today we shall be considering, in the light of threats from global warming, our responsibility to care for God's wonderful creation; and in particular thinking about the importance of trees to life on earth.

We shall refer to the work of the Christian conservation organisation A ROCHA which is active in 20 countries. Free material from A ROCHA is available.



Please note:

- Our Prayer Ministry Team will be available at the end of our 10.15am service today at the front of the church if you would like someone to talk to and to pray with you in confidence.

YOU ARE INVITED TO COME TO:

OUR NEW MONTHLY PRAYER GATHERINGS

These will take place at 7.30pm for one hour at St. Aidan's. The first one is tomorrow (Monday 16th September) - please do come along.

CRAFT EVENING

The monthly Craft Evening will be meeting on Tuesday 17th September at 7.30pm to 9pm at the Ellis Room. Come and enjoy tea, biscuits and conversation. If you do not have a craft, come along anyway. Contact is Emily on 07473 771491.

'SCHOOLDAYS SONGS OF PRAISE'

This takes place at St. Aidan's Church on Wednesday 25th Sept. between 2 and 3pm. There will be lists in both churches for you to choose your favourite hymns and share your school day memories and photographs. Tea and biscuits will be served at the end. Please contact Jennifer Deamer for further details.

CRAFT & COFFEE MORNING

This takes place on Saturday 28th September from 10.30am to 12.30pm at the Parish Hall. It is included in the **York 50+ Festival** and we hope to have more visitors than normal. We would therefore appreciate a few more helpers and donations of extra cakes which can be delivered to the hall from 9.30am on the day. Please speak to Beth or Jennifer if you are able to help.

Advance notice of our extended **Christmas Craft and Coffee** on **Saturday 23 November**, 10.30am-2.30pm in the Parish Hall. We will have our own Acomb Parish stalls and activities, including our cafe serving drinks, cakes and lunches, and will invite our regular stallholders to join us. The Outreach Committee have started planning the event and will be looking for people to help nearer the time but for now can we ask you to save empty jars (without lids) for one of the craft activities. Also, if anyone is making jams or chutneys we would be grateful for contributions to our home produce stall.

OUR SMALL GROUPS - As the new term begins so will our small groups for fellowship and Bible study. If you are not already a member do consider coming along to one - just ask the Vicar for more information.

SUNDAY SCHOOL PRIZEGIVING will be on Sunday 29th September during our 11am United Harvest Festival at St. Aidan's followed by a shared lunch.

GENEROSITY SUNDAY - Further to last week please prayerfully consider how you might respond to this. If you have not had the leaflet please ask for one today.

ST. STEPHEN'S 'SPACE' ENQUIRY - We look forward to you returning this form soon. Forms available in church today if you have not had one.

DOWNTON ABBEY FILM- Some may like to see the film version of this out in cinemas now. If anyone would like to go in the next 2 weeks but needs transport please let the Vicar know.

MUSICIANS? With Carys and Tony being away for a couple of months from now is there anybody else who could help us musically in our worship?

ARE YOU GOOD WITH MONEY? The team which counts collections weekly, normally on Monday mornings, would welcome a couple of new recruits. If you might be interested, please speak to John Goodrich.

SEPTEMBER MAGAZINE

Copies of our September Parish magazine can be found at both churches and the Parish Hall. If you have any articles you would like published or future events known, please send them to the editorial team by the 16th of the month.