



Team Parish of Christ the King St Aidan's, Brunton Park

**Sunday 22nd May 2022
Sixth Sunday of Easter**

Nationally Christian Aid Week will raise millions of pounds to support communities living in poverty around the world. By taking part we are helping Christian Aid to mobilise their resources quickly to where the need is greatest.

This year the appeal has focused on the work in Zimbabwe which illustrates of the kind of projects they do.

Working with partners (Non-governmental agencies) already in place, Christian Aid has already helped over 27,000 people in Zimbabwe - providing seeds for drought tolerant plants and training communities in how to cultivate the new crops. They work to build storehouses to preserve the harvested crops and help them to survive the ever-increasing droughts. Christian Aid use the money raised during Christian Aid Week wherever the need is greatest.

We know that the war in Ukraine will have an impact around the world by driving up global food prices.

Our Christian Aid Week gifts will bring hope to people facing disaster, from conflict to climate chaos, wherever they need it most. Christian Aid partners, are at work now in Ukraine, Hungary and Bulgaria, supporting Refugees and internally displaced people.

Raising unrestricted funds in Christian Aid Week means they can respond to emergencies like Ukraine immediately, even before an emergency appeal has been launched (as they did by using £2m immediately for Ukraine). The money allows Christian Aid to be there in forgotten emergencies that aren't in the news, such as Afghanistan and the middle east where their partners are still working hard.

Thank you to all who have been involved in Christian Aid Week 2022.

First Reading: Psalm 67

God be gracious to us and bless us
and make his face to shine upon us,
That your way may be known upon earth,
your saving power among all nations.
Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.
O let the nations rejoice and be glad,
for you will judge the peoples righteously
and govern the nations upon earth.
Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.
Then shall the earth bring forth her increase,
and God, our own God, will bless us.
God will bless us,
and all the ends of the earth shall fear him.
In the face of Jesus Christ
your light and glory have blazed forth,
O God of all the nations;
with all your people,
may we make known your grace
and walk in the way of peace;
for your name's sake.

Gospel Reading: John 14 :23-29

Jesus said to his disciples: 'Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me.
'I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, "I am going away, and I am coming to you." If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe.'

TODAY

9.30am: Sixth Sunday of Easter Rev'd Gerard Rundell Presides and Johny Hilaire from Christian Aid Preaches from: Psalm 67 and John 14 :23-29

THE WEEK AHEAD

Wed 10.00am, Church: **BCP Midweek Eucharist**

Thur 7:30pm, Church: **Ascension Day Eucharist**

Fri 5.00pm: **Food for Thought via Zoom (see codes below)**

Sat All Day: **Team day out to Alnmouth**

Sun 29th 9.30am, Church: **Seventh Sunday of Easter** Rev'd Gerard Rundell
Presides and Preaches from: Acts 16.16-34 and John 17.20-26

Sun 29th 4:00pm, Church: **Healing Service in church**

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Sun 5th June, 12-3pm: **Jubilee Celebrations on St Aidan's Church Green**

Sun 5th June, 4pm: **Team Parish Platinum Jubilee BCP Evensong, at St Aidan's**

Tues 14th Jun, 7pm: **Newcastle University Windband Concert in church**

NOTICES

SUNDAY SERVICE – today's live broadcast link is <https://bit.ly/6thEaster22>

HELP NEEDED FOR JUBILEE CELEBRATION– are you able to help out for a short time at the Jubilee Celebration being held on Sunday 5th June? We need help getting things ready on the day, and for short periods during the afternoon to help with family games and crafts, and then again for tidying up. We really appreciate any help that can be offered.

ALNMOUTH TRIP – please see the separate sheet for details of timings for our trip to Alnmouth. Please let us know if you'd like a place on the mini-bus. There'll be a sign-up sheet at the back of church this week!

HEALING SERVICE - our next healing service will be held on Sunday 29th May at 4pm. This is a quiet reflective service with the opportunity to receive prayer and anointing with oil either for yourself or someone you know who is in need. Do join us for this special service.

CHRISTIAN AID DONATIONS - can be made today in church or online, using <https://giving.give-star.com/online/christian-aid/st-aidan-s-christian-aid-week-2022>, including gift aid where appropriate. You can also donate through our normal contactless card reader, but we will not be able to add gift aid to this. If you would prefer to make a donation direct to St Aidan's bank account, please use the reference Christian Aid Week, and we will also donate this (with gift aid where appropriate) to Christian Aid.

LUNCH GROUP - will meet on 1st June at the Rugby Club. Names to Pat or Pauline if you would like to come. New members will be welcome.

ASCENSION DAY – our eucharist service will be on Thurs 26th May at 7.30pm. Those wishing to watch from home the live broadcast link is <https://bit.ly/26MayAscension22>

NEWCASTLE UNIVERSITY WINDBAND CONCERT – we are happy to announce that there will be another concert held in church on Tues 14th June at 7pm

BIBLE STUDY GROUP. The Bible study group continues on Zoom at 7.30 pm on Mondays with a short series looking at Easter in the Prophets. The next session on Monday 23 May will look at the images of the coming kingdom in Micah 4.1-4 and Isaiah 25.6-10a. All welcome, contact Ken Newitt for further details.

(kmnewitt@outlook.com) Zoom joining: Meeting ID: 811 8445 8149, Passcode StABSG or link

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81184458149?pwd=NltdklWb3pQVVdFNlhcEhxUT09>.

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

CHURCH CORONAVIRUS RESTRICTIONS – face masks are optional, please sanitise your hands on entering church, and maintain at least a one metre distance.

USED STAMPS – if you have any used stamps, please save them and put them in the box at the back of church to raise fund for St Oswald's Hospice.

CHURCH OPENING – church is now open during the day, every day. Please come in at any time for some quiet time or prayer.

FOOD BANK – a little reminder that we still collect for the foodbank. There is a box at the back of church for donations.

DONATIONS - to make a donation to St Aidan's, please use the following link

<https://givealittle.co/campaigns/8a599239-a9bd-4136-8b4b-1dcabb0a2c65>

For Our Prayers: St Aidan's Cycle of Prayer

For the church – Particularly for Diocesan office staff and diocesan advisers. In our church for Readers Ken Newitt and Chris Sayers and Authorised Minister Bernie Troughton.

For the community – all businesses on the Great Park

For the world – particularly during the ongoing conflict in Ukraine, for her people, refugees and the Ukrainian community in the UK, and our own national and political life. We pray also for the work of Christian Aid.

For those in particular need - Gladys Johnston, Sheila Lonie

For those who have died and those who grieve Eva Turner, Freda Sharp, Helen Newton, John Clasper, Richard Raper, Norman Taylor, Mary Palgrave, Bill Mead


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