

PARISH PRAYER

Heavenly Father, we praise and thank you
that in your redeeming love

you have drawn us together as members of your Church.

We pray that you would deepen our love for you,
strengthen our fellowship with each other
and help us to worship you in spirit and in truth.

We pray that during this time of change, we will keep our eyes fixed
on you and trust you for the future.

Help us to be faithful in our prayers for the continuing ministry in this
community and guide us in all things to know and do your will,
for the honour and glory of your name. Amen

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Cheryl, Lauren, Yvonne, Sandra, Eleanor, Charlie, Adam & Joan

We continue to pray for the family circle of the late **Thomas Locke**,
son of the late Abbie Locke and brother of Jean Walker,
who has died suddenly at his home in Cyprus.

Senior members resident in care homes

Nan, Leslie, Lillian, Tom, Sally, Charlie, June & Alec

Parish Prayer Line 07553 404 711

Next Sunday 25th April

11.00 a.m. Morning Prayer Jim Neill

Wednesday 5th May

7.00 p.m. Easter General Vestry (In Church)

Parish Contacts

During the Vacancy the Rural Dean, Rev Canon Kevin Graham, Rector
of St Bartholomew's, will be in charge of the parish
with Canon Ken continuing in his usual role.

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Sunday 18th April 2021 The Third Sunday of Easter

See what great love the Father
has lavished on us, that we
should be called children of God!

1 John 3:1

**St Aidan's Parish Church is now open for Sunday worship.
However for those who may still not feel confident
enough to return to face-to-face worship, or who may be
unable to get to church for health reasons, our service can
still be viewed live on our Facebook page on Sunday
morning at 11.00 a.m. or at any later stage.**

www.facebook.com/staidansandyrow

Collect & Bible Readings

Almighty Father, who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples with the sight of the risen Lord:

Give us such knowledge of his presence with us,
that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life
and serve you continually in righteousness and truth;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Psalm 4

For the director of music. With stringed instruments. A psalm of David.

¹ Answer me when I call to you, my righteous God.

Give me relief from my distress; have mercy on me and hear my prayer.

² How long will you people turn my glory into shame?

How long will you love delusions and seek false gods?

³ Know that the LORD has set apart his faithful servant for himself;
the LORD hears when I call to him.

⁴ Tremble and do not sin; when you are on your beds,
search your hearts and be silent.

⁵ Offer the sacrifices of the righteous and trust in the LORD.

⁶ Many, LORD, are asking, 'Who will bring us prosperity?'

Let the light of your face shine on us.

⁷ Fill my heart with joy when their grain and new wine abound.

⁸ In peace I will lie down and sleep,
for you alone, LORD, make me dwell in safety.

Micah 4: 1-5

In days to come

the mountain of the LORD's house
shall be established as the highest of the mountains,
and shall be raised up above the hills.

Peoples shall stream to it,

² and many nations shall come and say:

'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,
to the house of the God of Jacob;

that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.'

For out of Zion shall go forth instruction,
and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

³ He shall judge between many peoples,
and shall arbitrate between strong nations far away;

they shall beat their swords into ploughshares,
and their spears into pruning-hooks;

nation shall not lift up sword against nation,
neither shall they learn war any more;

⁴ but they shall all sit under their own vines
and under their own fig trees,

and no one shall make them afraid;
for the mouth of the LORD of hosts has spoken.

⁵ For all the peoples walk,

each in the name of its god,

but we will walk in the name of the LORD our God
for ever and ever.

1 John 3: 1-7

¹ See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are.

The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him.

² Beloved, we are God's children now;

what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he* revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. ³ And all who have is this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

⁴ Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. ⁵ You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. ⁶ No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. ⁷ Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

