

Notices

Lent Lunch - Thank you very much indeed to everyone who supported, in any way, our church Lent Lunch last Tuesday lunchtime. It is very much appreciated. At the most recent count £195 was raised for the important and life-saving work of Christian Aid across the world. There will be further opportunities to raise money for Christian Aid when we reach Christian Aid Week in May..

The Enthronement of the 106th Archbishop of Canterbury - On Wednesday (the feast of the Annunciation) the 106th Archbishop of Canterbury, The Most Reverend Dame Sarah Mullally will be enthroned at Canterbury Cathedral following her (historic) pilgrimage over recent days from St Paul's Cathedral on the 'Becket Camino'. We pray for Archbishop Sarah at this important time, asking that she will know the Lord's blessing and encouragement in her new ministry. The enthronement service will be broadcast live on BBC One at 2.30pm, for those who might interested in joining in this act of worship from afar.

Electoral Roll 2026 - Notification that the Church Electoral Roll for this year will be open for new enrolments and amendments between 5th and 19th April. Application forms will be available at the back of church between these dates to be returned to the Electoral Roll Officer, Jenny Marks. Please note that if you registered for the Electoral Roll last year you do not need to re-register.

The Kent Estuary Pilgrim Way - Thank you to all who came along to the launch of the new Pilgrim Way by the Bishop of Carlisle last week. A short video of the day is available on YouTube via our church or the Kent Estuary websites, or by searching for Beetham Church. The guidebooks to the walks and the history of our eight churches are now on sale at the back of church price £6 – please support our bookstall fundraising by purchasing a copy!

SIAMS Inspection - This coming Wednesday, Beetham Church of England Primary School, will be inspected. The SIAMS (Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools) visit will seek to evaluate how well our school, and its community, is living out its Christian vision, and thus seek to evaluate (in various ways) its effectiveness as a Church of England school. This is an important day for our school, not least given all the work that recent years have held in strengthening its Christian vision based on Romans 12 - loving one another with genuine affection and delighting in honouring each other with mutual respect. Please do remember the school, its staff, pupils, families and governors in your prayers this week, given all the work that a SIAMS inspection entails, that they may know God's peace and blessing.

Foundation Governors - If you might be interested (or know of someone else) in supporting the life of the church, and of our school through serving on the Governing Body as a Foundation Governor, please have a word with Andrew. There are currently two vacancies that we would, ideally, like to fill as soon as we are able.

Church website: www.beethamstmichaelandallangels.co.uk

KEMC website: www.kentestuarymissioncommunity.com

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THE CHURCH OF BEETHAM ST MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS

Sunday 22nd March 2026

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Passion Sunday



This morning - We gather on the Fifth Sunday of Lent. As we enter Paschiontide, we pray that we may continue walking joyfully in the way of the cross as we look, once more, to journeying with Christ through the days of Holy Week and Easter. There is Evensong at 6.00pm as usual.

THIS WEEK'S SERVICES & EVENTS

Sun	22nd	Lent 5 Paschiontide begins	9.30 am 11.00 am 6.00 pm	Choir Practice Parish Eucharist Evensong
Mon	23rd		5.00 pm	Handbell Practice
Tue	24th		12.30 pm	NISCU Lunch Club 'Eggstravaganza' - Dallam School
Wed	25th	The Annun- cia- tion of our Lord to the Blessed Virgin Mary Lady Day	12.30 pm 2.30 pm 2.30 pm 4.00 pm	'The Romans Course', Arnside Methodist Church Beetham CE School Easter Service in church Enthronement of the 106th Archbishop of Canterbury (live on BBC TV) KEMC Leadership Group Meeting, Old School, Heversham
Thu	26th		9.30 am 11.30 am 5.30 pm	Reception of the coffin of Kenneth Sturat Hackett Funeral of Kenneth Stuart Hackett Tower Bell practice <i>tbc</i>
Fri	27th		10.00 am	Visiting Tower Bell Ringers - Quarter Peal
Sat	28th		10.30 am	Community Band
Sun	29th	Palm Sunday Start of British Summer Time	9.30 am 11.00 am 6.00 pm	Choir Practice The Liturgy of Palm Sunday (with pro- cession from Beetham CE School) 'The Way of the Cross', (a service for the beginning of Holy Week)

Our Parish Safeguarding Officer is **Andrew Skinner**, whose contact details are: beethamsafeguarding@gmail.com and 07362 593076. Please do be in touch with him if you have any worries or concerns as we all do our utmost to keep one another safe here at St Michael and All Angels.



Fifth Sunday of Lent Passion Sunday

Eucharist Readings: Ezekiel 37, v. 1 - 14 (Pg. 820 in the Pew Bible, O.T.); Romans 8, v. 6 - 11 (Pg. 153 in the Pew Bible, N.T.)

Gospel: John 11, v. 1 – 45 (Pg. 101 in the Pew Bible, N.T.)

Hymns: **707** (Lift high the cross, *omit *vv*); **158** (When you prayed beneath the trees); **763** (Praise to the holiest in the hight); **654** (Hark, my soul, it is the Lord); **612** (Christ triumphant, ever reigning)

Organ Voluntary: *tbc*

Evensong Readings: Lamentations 3, v. 19 - 33; Matthew 20, v. 17 - 34

Hymns: **768** (Put thou thy trust in God); **779** (Sing, my soul, when hope is sleeping); **650** (Great is thy faithfulness)

Psalm 30

Gospel Acclamation

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory. Christ humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and given him the name that is above every name.

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ

Collect

Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved the world: grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross we may triumph in the power of his victory; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

Post Communion Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters we do also for you: give us the will to be the servant of others as you were the servant of all, and gave up your life and died for us, but are alive and reign, now and for ever.

Amen

For your Prayers

Susan Andrew. John Smith. Harry Parrott. Rosalie Woods. Shirley Grimshaw. Theresa Holden. Pat Barton.

R.I.P.

Charles Edmondson. Kenneth Stuart Hackett. Joan Deakin. Rosemary Buchanan. Linda Baverstock. Arthur Moss. Philip Barber. Luke Adams.

Rotas for Today	
First Reading	Dennis Wright
Second Reading	Ruth Myers
Intercessions	Susan Turner
Sidespeople/Offertory	Ruth Myers and Jill Smith
Refreshments	Dorothy & Andy MacLeod
Readers at Evensong	George Theobald

Palm Sunday - Next Sunday is Palm Sunday, the beginning of Holy Week. Our service will begin (as usual) with a procession from Beetham CE School at 11.00am, remembering the triumphal entry of Jesus into the city of Jerusalem - so please do join us if you can. If you would rather come to church as normal, music will be played as we await the beginning of the service. The Liturgy will include the distribution of palm crosses and the reading of the Passion Gospel (this year from Saint Matthew). Next Sunday evening at 6.00pm there will be a service of hymns and readings for Holy Week: an opportunity to anticipate the journey that awaits us as we walk with Jesus through the days of his passion, death and resurrection.

Holy Week - There are details of our Holy Week services available at the back of church. Please do think about how you can mark this most important week in the church's year in prayer and worship.

Easter Vigil - Once again the churches of the Kendal Deanery are coming together to celebrate an Easter Vigil on Easter Eve. All are invited to come together at 8.00pm at Holy Trinity, Kendal for this traditional and meaningful beginning to our celebrations of Christ's resurrection.

Kent Estuary Mission Community 'Direction of Travel' - Over recent weeks, following the publication of the volunteer Working Group's 'Proposed Direction of Travel', the various church councils have been prayerful reflecting on their responses to the proposals. These have now been shared with the Mission Community Leadership Group who will now report back to the Archdeaconry Mission and Pastoral Committee, for their discernment and decision on what might now happen. Please do continue to keep this process in your prayers, seeking the Lord's wisdom and grace for all that lies ahead.