

Holy Trinity School: 300th Anniversary

On 21st May at 10.00am there will be a celebratory service marking 300 years of the school's story. Do come along to join with the staff and pupils of Holy Trinity school in this service of thanksgiving and help them to celebrate. The service will be followed by refreshments in the Parish Centre where there will be a small exhibition on the history of the school.

Another 'Memories Event'

Following the success of the February event there will be a second opportunity to share memories of Holy Trinity School and its history. This will be held at Holy Trinity School, between 10am and noon on Saturday 14th June. We hope ex-pupils and parents will come along to share memories from the 1980s through to the early 2000s. Volunteers are needed to help collect memories, serve refreshments and to welcome visitors. Please speak to Trudy or Joyce if you can help in any way.

Junior Church

Children are welcomed at Holy Trinity in our monthly Junior Church, children of all ages learn about the Christian faith through stories, songs, games and lots of fun. The children come together in church at the beginning of the 10.00am Parish Eucharist service, then leave for activities in the Parish Centre. Parents are welcome to join the children for activities.

When: 2nd Sunday of the month, 11th May.

Contact: Diana MacNaughton parishadmin@berwickparishchurch.co.uk

Pastoral Care

If you are aware of any pastoral issues, such as those unwell or lonely, needing support, or a member of the congregation who has ceased to attend, please let the Lay Pastoral Group know, details listed below.

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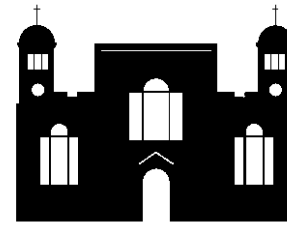
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BERWICK

PARISH CHURCH

Monthly Messenger

May 2025

Happy Easter! You might think I've got my timings wrong and forgetting that this will be published after Easter Day. But actually, in the Church calendar we celebrate Easter for 50 days! So, the whole of this month and into June is still Easter. According to the Jesuit poet Gerard Manley Hopkins, "May is Mary's month." He writes in his poem May Magnificat,

"Question: What is Spring?— Growth in every thing—
Flesh and fleece, fur and feather,
Grass and greenworld all together ;"

In the Church year May is associated with Mary because in her obedience to God's call the world has a new beginning through Jesus Christ, that's what we've just celebrated. As nature springs back into life (hopefully) so we too can come alive in new ways. We can do that especially through gratitude. This month we have two excellent reasons to give thanks: the 80th anniversary of VE Day on May 8th and the celebration of Holy Trinity Church of England First School's 300th Anniversary on May 21st. There will be services in the parish church to mark both occasions, to which all are welcome. And as we look back to give thanks, we can look forward to new things as spring offers us new life.

Father Lee

Sunday Services

8.30am: Holy Communion

10.00am: Parish Eucharist

6.00 pm: Choral Evensong or sung evening prayer

Every Thursday:

10:00 am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)

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Eco News

Our Community Gardening Day & Bring and Buy Plant Sale is part of the Berwick VE80 Celebrations; Saturday 10th May 10.30 am - 2.30pm. There will be talks by local experts, a themed café and sales tables. Proceeds to church funds and Bees Abroad - a charity encouraging sustainable bee-keeping projects in Africa. Donations of plants are very welcome - bring them on the day or leave them behind the Eco board in the vestibule; if you need plants collected, please get in touch with Geoff Short on 07398247456.

The churchyard bees are enjoying the spring weather and each other's company - the two colonies are uniting and expanding and exploring the emerging wildflowers; let us hope they are also encouraged to make some honey this year!

Also enjoying the spring weather are the church solar panels which, despite the best efforts of the gulls, have been generating at record levels.

Recycling News: Blister Packs and other items can now be recycled at Boots the Chemist, Marygate, Berwick. Following the reluctant suspension of the church community recycling through Superdrug this is a great development!

Weekday Welcomers

From after Easter to the end of September there are even more tourists than usual in Berwick. If you can spare a couple of hours either on a regular basis or occasionally to help us make these visitors welcome to our church please contact Helen (helenmason@fastmail.co.uk or phone 07803 116674).

Receiving notices by email

The churchwardens send out the schedule of services and notices by email each week, usually on a Saturday morning.

If you are not signed up to receive this, drop an email to Linda (parishadmin@berwickparishchurch.co.uk)

and she will arrange for you to be put on the list.

You won't be pestered with lots of additional emails and you are always in control as you can remove your address from the list at any time by clicking on the "unsubscribe" link at the bottom of each email.

The Church is open daily and you are welcome to sit for a while for a time of prayer or reflection

Tea, Cake and Chat

Tea, cake and chat is on Sunday 18th May 2.30 until 4.00pm Parish Centre. All welcome for tea, cake, company, warmth and chat. Do come and join us.

Parish Centre Booking

Ann Mawer (07768 736008) and Joyce Guthrie (07704 222813) are now responsible for the Parish Centre, under the guidance of a management committee chaired by David Mason. Bookings can be made via the web site using the booking form <https://berwickparishchurch.co.uk/parish-centre-booking-form/> or by contacting Linda. To check availability call Ann or Joyce directly.

Live streaming of services

Our regular Parish Eucharist is live streamed every week on our YouTube channel <https://youtube.com/@holytrinityberwick/streams> .

The stream can either be watched live or as a recording later.

Our privacy policy on live streaming is on the notice board.

The Mother Julian Group takes place on the last Tuesday of the month in St Peter's chapel at Holy Trinity at 11.15am. We would love to welcome new members as everyone is welcome to enjoy this time of quietness and stillness in our busy lives.

Mental Health and Spirituality 2

Saturday, 14th June, Berwick Parish Centre

10.00 am refreshments for 10.30 am start. Finish at 3.00 pm.

The North Northumberland Spirituality Network event will be led by Revd Canon Dr Sarah Hills.

All welcome even if you did not attend the first presentation.

Cost £5 per person plus optional donation of £5 for St Mary's Church, Holy Island. Tea and coffee provided. Please bring a packed lunch.

To book please email gabrielleayerst18@gmail.com