

ST. LAURENCE'S CHURCH, SCALBY

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Week beginning Sunday 21st February 2021

Hello &
welcome

If you are a visitor or newcomer to St Laurence's please make yourself known to the Clergy or Churchwarden after the service, so that we can welcome you personally.

We do not pass an offering plate around during the service. Please place your offering on the plate as you enter or leave. Thank you.



World

- An end to the war in Yemen and protection especially for children.
- People struggling with the extreme cold in Texas where some have died and some are without power in their homes.
- Calming of the tensions in Myanmar and Ireland.
- Worldwide rollout of the vaccines and scientists continuing research.

Church

- That we will listen for God in our neighbourhoods, homes and churches this Lent.
- For widespread awareness of and commitment to the Diocesan wide consultation 'Living Christ's Story Together'.
- The ongoing challenge of how to be the church in these times.

Individuals

- Celia Hodgson and all those known personally to us who need our prayers.
- Lisette Backhouse in hospital.
- Valerie Aston and family after the death of her mother June Oades.
- Azaria Spencer in the UK and the continuing work amongst street children and families in Guatemala City.

CHURCH OFFICE

The church office is still **CLOSED**. Sarah can be contacted using the following email address: office@stlaurencescalby.org.uk. ***NEW EMAIL ADDRESS***



Church Services today and next week...

Sunday 21st February 2021

1st Sunday of Lent

10.30am

LIVE STREAMED - NO CONGREGATION

Morning Worship

Preacher - Philip Newell

Collect:

Heavenly Father, your Son battled with the powers of darkness, and grew closer to you in the desert: help us to use these days to grow in wisdom and prayer that we may witness to your saving love in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Reading:

Mark 1:9-15

Tuesday 23rd February 2021

10am-12noon

Private Prayer - Church

2.00pm

#LiveLent - God's Story, Our Story

Catching up with God - via Zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84618931123?pwd=ZENIQ21ISU4zR3I2MExQOEIYNDRaQT09>

Wednesday 24th February 2021

7.00pm

#LiveLent - God's Story, Our Story

Catching up with God - via Zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82082876321?pwd=Nk5vQkljZ2J6VFIFbXcvZGV6TXN2dz09>

Thursday 25th February 2021

10am-12noon

Private Prayer - Church

Sunday 28th February 2021

2nd Sunday of Lent

10.30am

LIVE STREAMED - NO CONGREGATION

Holy Communion - Rev'd Tony Hand

What's happening this week...

Sun 21st

11.30am Zoom meet up - see notice below

SHARE THE LOVE: In these difficult times, let's share the love in our community by displaying  **HEARTS**  in our windows and/or gardens this February.

1. Get your creative juices going and make a great display of **hearts**  in your window and/or front garden. Check out the short film on our website www.stlaurencescalby.org.uk and Facebook page for more ideas and inspiration.
2. How many can you find on **your** daily walk?
3. Let Tracy know where you have found them so we can share the fun.
4. Check St. Laurence's Church website and Facebook page to find out which streets they are on.

Help cover our parish and neighbourhood in Love for February!!

Contact Tracy at youthworkerstlaurencescalby@gmail.com.

ZOOM MEET UP:

After our streamed worship on Sunday, we are offering the opportunity to meet up via ZOOM. It's 45 minutes only and offers a social time with some space for prayer - do join us if you can.

Tony Hand is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: St Laurence's and St Peter's and St Margaret's Sunday Meetup on ZOOM

Time: This is a recurring meeting weekly meeting

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83460944448?pwd=TFkxWmMrVWxkVFVwamVxUjdWVjZPQT09>

Meeting ID: 834 6094 4448

Passcode: 353740

PARISHLIFE DEADLINE: The Parishlife deadline for the April/May edition is **Sunday 7th March**. Please let Lesley have any articles by this date. Thank you

SOCIAL COMMITTEE QUIZ NIGHT: The social committee are hoping to organise various events for this year starting with a **quiz on Tuesday 23rd February** and a **"show and tell" evening** (more details to follow) **on Tuesday 23rd March**. Both of these are on Zoom, but future events are planned which may be still on Zoom or, hopefully, later in the year we may be able to meet in some form. Please join us and take the opportunity to see people and socialise. The Zoom link for the quiz is below:

Hilary Truefitt is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Hilary Truefitt's Zoom Meeting

Time: Feb 23, 2021 07:30 PM London

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84702681970?pwd=enVGWW00dUdiRzlxSy9yMzVDUG03Zz09>

Meeting ID: 847 0268 1970

Passcode: 739467

THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY: Thanks for all donations from the home made Christingles this year.

I have been informed that the box collections are to continue being on hold for the foreseeable future and box holders are asked to count their boxes when they are full and send a cheque or bank payment to the children's society so they can continue to support children and young people like Alyssa (see below).

Many thanks Sue Brown.

A message from The Children's Society: We're providing urgent support for the children hardest hit by the pandemic to make a difference to their lives now and long into the future. That's why we want to share Alyssa's story with you. Alyssa is a 16 year old whose biggest dream is to one day travel to New York City to see where her favourite movies were filmed. But the Alyssa we first met wasn't the hopeful, full-of-life teenager she is today. Not too long ago, Alyssa felt like she was drowning. As a child, she watched her dad hit her mum and sometimes he would hit her too. Then at school she started to be bullied. Her emotions got on top of her and she began to self-harm.

[Follow Alyssa's journey](#)

[Read Alyssa's story](#)

Living Christ's Story Together

Archbishop Stephen has initiated a Diocesan-wide review of our Vision and Values. He is also mindful of the many matters that are bringing challenge and opportunity to churches and the diocese, with so many of these being accelerated and highlighted by the impact of COVID-19. He is looking to engage the whole diocese in a conversation that will help to shape our future life together. This has been brought together under the title of 'Living Christ's Story Together'. Through the consultation that is a part of this, PCC's are being asked to consider the issues being raised, reflect on these and share their response to help inform the decision making to follow. However, everyone is invited to join the conversation so please make use of the opportunities below to enable you to do so.

Launch Video. *This ten-minute video sets out the background to 'Living Christ's Story' and the reasons why the consultation is important for us as a diocese at this time. It can be found on the 'Consultation Resources' page at <https://dioceseofyork.org.uk/living-christs-story/lcs-consultation-resources/>*

See the transcript of the video here - <https://dioceseofyork.org.uk/uploads/attachment/5193/lcs-consultations-video-transcript.pdf>

Roadshows...

Saturday 20 February 10.00am

See the booking information here - <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/living-christs-story-tickets-140122613509>

Thursday 25 February 7.00pm

See the booking information here - <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/living-christs-story-tickets-140123327645>

Tuesday 2 March 7.00pm

See the booking information here - <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/living-christs-story-tickets-140124081901>

Each one is expected to last approximately one hour.

Booking details for these can also be found at the foot of the 'Consultation Resources' page at www.dioceseofyork.org.uk/living-christs-story.

To help bring this process into the heart of our prayer life, we are offered the following prayer to help us pray together:

The Living Christ's Story Together, Prayer

God our loving Father, you have called your Church into being in your love and strengthened us for your service. Guide and inspire us as we seek to re-shape our approach to mission and ministry in our diocese; that we may be a joyful Church of missionary disciples, one in heart and mind; for the sake of your kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

For more information the diocesan website has a number of resources to help you with this. Here are some extra things to explore if you have time:

Read the Archbishop's vision statement shared at the Diocesan Synod on 28th November at <https://dioceseofyork.org.uk/living-christs-story/lcs-edited-vision/>

View the consultation introductory video at -

<https://vimeo.com/508837450>

Get the briefing document that talks about life in the Diocese of York - <https://dioceseofyork.org.uk/uploads/attachment/5173/lcs-consultations-diocesan-information.pdf>

See the Diocesan Budget here -

<https://dioceseofyork.org.uk/uploads/attachment/5172/lcs-consultations-2021-diocesan-budget.pdf>

See the 'thinking through the possible' document here -

<https://dioceseofyork.org.uk/uploads/attachment/5171/lcs-consultations-toolbox-of-possibilities.pdf>



Sharing the Love

