

Church events next week

Monday 20th January

- 9.30am Baby & Toddler Group, Parish Hall (please note there is a waiting list for this group - please email toddlerskpc@gmail.com to be added to it)
- 9.30pm Interviews, Vestry

Tuesday 21st January

- 10.00am CAP Money Coaching Course, Vestry
- 12.30pm Connect Café, Salvation Army
- 5.30pm Twilight Communion
- 7.00pm CTiKD, Vestry

Wednesday 22nd January

- 10.00am Coffee and Cake - in vestry this week
- 7.30pm Bell Ringing Practice

Thursday 23rd January

- 10.30am Holy Communion (BCP), Parr Chapel
- 7.00pm CAP Money Coaching Course, Vestry

Friday 24th January

- 8.15am Interviews, Vestry
- 12.30pm Organ Concert (Edward Taylor)
- 5.30pm KPC Youth Group
- 7.15pm Choir Practice

Sunday 26th January

- 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
- 9.30am Morning Prayer
- 11.15am The Gathering, with Communion, followed by "Feast on the Fourth"

Interfaith Silent Climate Vigils - the next one is on **Monday 3rd February** at 10.30am at the Birdcage, Finkle Street, Kendal. The vigil will last 45 minutes, and it is important to wear thermal clothing to keep warm. Some people bring fold up chairs and a blanket. A flask containing a hot drink is advisable. Vigils are held on the first Monday of each month & are organised by Kendal and Sedbergh Friends Sustainability Group.

Parking Permit - if you regularly come to Sunday services you can collect a car park pass from the welcomers.

Contacting Shanthi - if you wish to email Shanthi privately, please use revshanthi@kendalparishchurch.co.uk. If you wish to speak to her/text her privately, please use 07494704288. Shanthi's usual rest day is a Saturday.

Please send any notices to 'office@kendalparishchurch.co.uk' by Wednesday pm

A welcoming Christian community serving the people of Kendal



Sunday 19th January 2025

Welcome to our Services today

If you are new to the church, please make yourself known to us.
A Loop System is in operation for hearing aid users with a 'T' switch.
Gluten Free wafers are available at all Communion services.
If you need any information or assistance, please ask the Duty Warden.

This week we pray for:

The sick - John Reynolds, Laura Earl & Bogdan Nojita.

The departed & their families - Maureen Rigby and Ron Purcell.

TODAY'S SERVICES

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

**9.30am Parish Communion (CW)
Mass of St. Thomas Thorne**

We welcome Andrew Hulley from the Prison Fellowship as our preacher this morning

Hymns 398 Christ triumphant, ever reigning
435 Glorious things of Thee are spoken (omit v 3)
581 Take my life & let it be
609 To God be the glory

During Communion Jesu, thou joy of loving hearts *Bielby*
(words can be found at Hymn 486)

Final Voluntary

**11.15am The Gathering a more informal service with worship songs
- this week with Baptism of Darla Robinson**

Prayer Chain

Would you like us to pray for you or for someone you are concerned about? We believe God knows and cares about all our needs so we don't require any details of the situation. Please text or leave a message on 07942617718 or if you'd prefer to speak to someone, call Margaret on 01539 720243. A group of people spread across our church will be glad to pray for them.

Bookstall - If you wish to order any Christian Resources, please contact Lynne Magee: slchristian_resources@outlook.com

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Advent books - if you have finished with your copy of "Sing in Exultation" and would like to return it to church, there is a basket at the back of the centre aisle for you to leave it in.

Kendal Food Bank - would be very grateful for small jars of instant coffee, meat in sauce, small tins of meat, instant pasta, instant noodles, microwave rice, instant mash. These can be left in the box at the back of church - thank you.

Brew Monday - at Westmorland General Hospital in the Chapel on **Monday 20th January** 10.00am - 12.00pm. All welcome

On **Wednesday January 22nd** at 7.00pm in Kendal Meeting House, there will be a talk by Hilary Davis on the Ecumenical Accompaniment Programme. Hilary returned from the West Bank in July, having spent three months in Jericho as an EAPPI. She will be talking about the impact on daily life of checkpoints on the communities within the Jordan Valley. Hilary writes 'Just a bit of background - There are two checkpoints which split the Jordan Valley from the rest of the West Bank. Since the 7th October they have been permanently staffed and have created many problems for the local population in all aspects of life. I am going to share three examples looking at the Economic, Medical & Educational impact.' Please let John Hall know if you will be attending. Contact John by emailing him on johnhall42@yahoo.com (please head the email EAP).

Organ Concert - Our 2025 season begins on **Friday 24th January** at 12.30pm with a concert by Edward Taylor of Carlisle Cathedral.

KEPCEA (Kendal Parish Church Environment Action Group) would like to encourage members of the congregation to participate in the RSPB Great Garden Birdwatch which takes place between **24th & 26th January**. Join us on Saturday at Natland Church for the Helm Mission Community meeting or take part at home, or absolutely anywhere. It only takes an hour. Details available on the KEPCEA notice board. Please email your results to Lucy Varney at lucylinskey@icloud.com or leave them in the marked envelope by the notice board. No personal details needed; just the bird count. We will put the results up afterwards.

On **Saturday February 8th** we are holding our annual Wine/Juice tasting quiz evening (very relaxed and informal!) with a meal: the funds raised help to support A and L, our CMS Mission Partners working in SE Asia. The evening will start at 7.00pm in the Parish Hall. Tickets – only £10 – are available from Marilyn Fishwick, Linda and Michael Hunter or Liz Lockwood. We welcome offers of main courses (in slow cookers, if possible) or puddings – to serve 6-8.

Date for your diary: 15th February 2025 - KPC Focus Day from 10.00am - 3.00pm in church. A day for the whole church to hear about and focus on our two priorities "Mission and Outreach" and "Kendal Church and Town 1000" (our major church conservation and reordering project) Please sign up at the back of church or email vicar.kendal@gmail.com.

Welcoming - The church is open daily and is visited by folk from far and wide who come to pray; to feel God's presence; to admire the architecture and windows; to get out of the rain! Please help us to be able to continue to offer a warm greeting to whoever comes. Could you give a couple of hours just occasionally? Please see Anne or Howard Smith to offer your support.

Schoolreaders (<https://www.schoolreaders.org/>) is a charity that finds local people who are able to visit a local primary school for an hour or two a week to listen to children read individually and help to improve their reading and comprehension skills. Reading for pleasure is currently the most significant factor in improving a child's access to secondary education and their life chances beyond, and our volunteers help with to encourage this as well by giving the children more confidence with their reading. They are currently looking to recruit more volunteers in the Kendal area - if you are interested, please see the flyer at the back of church. Thanks



A Prayer for our new Bishop

Everlasting God,
You have welcomed each one of us in
Jesus and called us to be your people in
this place;

Send us your Holy Spirit, and fill us with
vision, energy, and faithfulness in prayer,
that we may be true to our calling to
follow daily, care deeply, speak boldly and
tread gently.

Guide us as we seek to discern who you
are calling to be our new Bishop, that they
may be a wise and gentle shepherd of
your people, ready to serve us with joy,
build us up in faith and be a herald of
your son, Our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen

