

# SEAHAM MESSENGER

## JANUARY 2020



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SEAHAM HARBOUR  
& DAWDON

# **THE PARISH OF SEAHAM & DAWDON**

## **THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND**

*S Johns Seaham Harbour: All Saints Deneside :*

*S Mary the Virgin Seaham*

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THE SOCIETY OF S WILFRID & S HILDA IN THE EPISCOPAL CARE OF THE  
BISHOP OF BEVERLEY**

### **Clergy**

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### **SUNDAY SERVICES:**

**9.30am Sung Mass at All Saints**

**11.00am Solemn Mass at S Johns**

**11.00am Sunday School at S Johns**

**11.00am Sung Mass at S Marys: First Sun of month.**

**12.30pm Holy Baptism by arrangement**

**5.00pm Solemn Evensong & Benediction 2<sup>nd</sup> Sun of month.**

### **DAILY MASS**

Mon 9.30am	S Johns	Tues 6.00pm	S Johns
Wed 9.30am	S Johns	Thur 9.30am	All Saints
Fri 9.30am	S Johns	Sat 9.30am	S Johns
Sat 10.30am S Marys			

**Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament Wed 8.45am – 9.15am  
Confessions, Anointing's & Home Communions by arrangement  
with the Priests. Morning & Evening Prayer daily as announced.**

**Cell of Our Lady of Walsingham – 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month  
7.00pm Mass/Rosary**

### **PARISH OFFICE:**

**The Parish Office at S Johns is open each Monday except Bank  
Holidays 6.00pm – 6.45pm to arrange Christenings (Baptism)  
Weddings, Banns, Certificates etc with the Parish Priest.**

## MAIN EVENTS IN THE PARISH CALENDAR DEC 2019

*Please note that as the Parish Calendar is prepared in advance & may be subject to occasional change; please look out for updates on the weekly Pew Sheet/Parish Website.*

<b>SUNDAY 1<sup>st</sup> DECEMBER 2019</b> <b>ADVENT 1</b> <b>YR A</b>	09.30am SUNG MASS (A Saints) 11.00am SOLEMN MASS (S Johns) 11.00am SUNDAY SCHOOL 11.00am SUNG MASS (S Marys) 5.00pm ADVENT CAROL SERVICE - SJ
Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dec: Feria	9.30am Mass (S Johns) 2.00pm Mothers Union – S Johns 6.00pm Parish Office.
Tues 3 <sup>rd</sup> Dec S Francis Xavier	6.00pm Mass (S Johns)
Wed 4 <sup>th</sup> Dec: S John Damascus	8.45am 9.15am Exposition of Blessed Sacrament 9.30am Mass (S Johns) 11.00am Home Communion Beachcomber
Thurs 5 <sup>th</sup> Dec: Feria	9.30am Mass (All Saints)
Fri 6 <sup>th</sup> Dec: S Nicholas	9.30am Mass (S Johns) 7.00pm Mass - followed by PCC 7.15pm Advent Study Course wk3 Dawdon Vic
Sat 7 <sup>th</sup> Dec: S Ambrose	9.30am Mass (S Johns) 10.30am Mass (S Marys)
<b>SUNDAY 8<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2019</b> <b>ADVENT 2</b> <b>YR A</b>	9.30am SUNG MASS (All Saints) 11.00am SOLEMN MASS (S Johns) 11.00am SUNDAY SCHOOL (S Johns) 5.00pm SOLEMN EVENSONG, BENEDICTION (S Johns) Both followed by coffee all welcome.
Mon 9 <sup>th</sup> Dec: Immaculate Conception BVM	9.30am Mass (S Johns) 6.00pm – 6.45pm Parish Office hour (SJ)
Tues 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec: Feria	6.00pm Mass (S Johns)
Wed 11 <sup>th</sup> Dec: S Damasus	8.45am 9.15am Exposition of Blessed Sacrament 9.30am Mass (S Johns) 7.00pm Mayors Civic Carol Service SJ
Thurs 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec: Our Lady Guadalupe	09.30am Mass NB S Johns - General Election 7.15pm Advent Study Course Wk4 Dawdon vic
Fri 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec: S Lucy	NB - 9.00am Mass (S Johns) 10.00am K2 Carol service Trinity School SJ
Sat 14 <sup>th</sup> Dec: S John Cross	9.30am Mass (S Johns) 10.30am Mass (S Marys)
<b>SUNDAY 15<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2019</b> <b>ADVENT 3</b> <b>YR A</b>	9.30am SUNG MASS (All Saints) 11.00am SOLEMN MASS (S Johns) 11.00am SUNDAY SCHOOL (S Johns) 12.30am HOLY BAPTISM (S Johns) 3.00pm S Mary's Carol Service Both followed by coffee all welcome

Mon: 16 <sup>th</sup> Dec: feria	9.30am Mass ( S Johns) 2.00pm Mothers Union S Johns 6.00pm Parish Office. 7.00pm Ladies Group Carol Service
Tues: 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec: O Sapientia	6.00pm Mass (S Johns)
Wed: 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec: O Adonai	8.45am 9.15am Exposition of Blessed Sacrament 9.30am Mass (S Johns) 7.00pm Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols
Thurs 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec: O Radix	9.30am Mass (All Saints)
Fri 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec: O Clavis	9.00am Mass (S Johns) 10.00am KS1 Trinity School Carol service SJ
Sat 21 <sup>st</sup> Dec: O Oriens	9.30am Mass (S Johns) 10.30am Mass (S Marys)
SUNDAY 22 <sup>nd</sup> DECEMBER 2019 ADVENT 4 O Rex Gentium YR A	9.30am SUNG MASS (All Saints) 11.00am SOLEMN MASS (S Johns) 11.00am SUNDAY SCHOOL (S Johns) 3.00pm Masonic Carol Service (S Marys) 4.00pm Christingle Service SJ Both followed by coffee all welcome
Mon: 23 <sup>rd</sup> Dec: O Emmanuel	9.30am Mass ( S Johns) 6.00pm Parish Office.
Tues 24 <sup>th</sup> Dec: NATIVITY OF THE LORD	8.00pm SUNG MASS by Candlelight S Marys 11.30pm SOLEMN MASS of Midnight - S Johns
Wed 25 <sup>th</sup> Dec: NATIVITY OF THE LORD	9.30am SOLEMN MASS of the Dawn AS 11.00am SOLEMN MASS of the Day SJ
Thurs 26 <sup>th</sup> Dec: S Stephen	9.30am Mass (All Saints)
Fri 27 <sup>th</sup> Dec: S John Patronal Festival	9.30am Mass ( S Johns) 7.00pm Solemn Mass - SJ
Sat: 28 <sup>th</sup> Dec: The Holy Innocents	9.30am Mass (S Johns) 10.30am Mass (S Marys) 12.30pm Holy Baptism (S Johns)
SUNDAY 29 <sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2019 THE HOLY FAMILY YR A	9.30am SUNG MASS (All Saints) 11.00am SOLEMN MASS (S Johns) 11.00am SUNDAY SCHOOL (S Johns) Both followed by coffee all welcome
Mon 30 <sup>th</sup> Dec: S Thomas Beckett	9.30am Mass ( S Johns) 6.00pm Parish Office
Tues 31 <sup>st</sup> Dec: In Octave of Christmas – S Silvester	6.00pm Mass (S Johns)

## ***BISHOP of BEVERLEY***

Keep up to date with our Bishop on his website

[www.seeofbeverley.org.uk](http://www.seeofbeverley.org.uk)

The Diocese of Durham on its website

[www.durham.a+nglican.org](http://www.durham.a+nglican.org)

*Dear Friends,*

Thank you for your continued support and hard work during the month of November which began with All Saints Patronal Festival at which Fr Collins preached a great sermon and we were delighted to be joined by the Archdeacon of Sunderland at a joint benefice Solemn Mass followed by a pleasant lunch and in the afternoon and on the same day at S Johns to annual All Souls tide Memorial service was held. The following week end some amended services again for Remembrance Day culminating in an excellent Remembrance Day parade and service at the Terrace Green War Memorial. On Monday 11th the Armistice Day service was held at S John's when we were joined by the Royal British Legion, members of the congregation and general public and staff and pupils from both Trinity and Ropery Walk Primary Schools. On the 13<sup>th</sup> November All Saints hosted a meeting of the Diocesan Estates Ministry group at which the new Bishop of Jarrow attended. On 14<sup>th</sup> 70 children from Ropery Walk visited S Johns as part of their curriculum and thank you to all who worked for and supported the All Saints Christmas Fayre on the 16<sup>th</sup> to which I was sorry to miss as Norman and I were attending the Forward in Faith National Assembly in London. Thank you to all who sold Christmas Draw tickets and worked for and

supported the S Johns Christmas Fayre – 23<sup>rd</sup>. And as I write we look forward to hosting a concert at S Johns by the Seaham Music Academy at 1.00pm on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November.

As we look forward to December Advent Sunday is on the 1<sup>st</sup> with normal morning Masses and at 5pm at S Johns the Advent Carol service to which all are warmly invited. The Advent course continues in December at Dawdon Vicarage with the 3<sup>rd</sup> session on 5<sup>th</sup> and final 12<sup>th</sup>. Big cleaning days in preparation for Christmas have been arranged at S Johns beginning after 9.30am Mass on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> Dec for cleaning of hall kitchen and toilets and 14<sup>th</sup> Dec the cleaning of the Church. Please pop in to give as much time as you can even half an hour will help and your reward will be a bacon sandwich.

This year I am Mayors Civic Chaplain and so we are privileged to be hosting the Mayor of Seaham's civic carol service at S Johns on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> Dec at 7.00pm followed by refreshments in the Parish room to which all are welcome. Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> is General Election Day and as All Saints Church and S John's parish room are used as polling stations the Thursday morning Mass will be held at S Johns and not All Saints. We are delighted that Trinity School will be holding their Carol Service at S Johns at 10am KS1 13<sup>th</sup> December and

KS1 20<sup>th</sup> December and Seaview having their Carol Service on 18<sup>th</sup> December. Our Service of Nine Lessons and Carols will be held at S Johns on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> Dec at 7.00pm followed by seasonal refreshments and Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> at 4.00pm the Christingle service followed by seasonal refreshments. Mass on Christmas Eve is celebrated at 8.00pm S Marys, and 11.30pm the Midnight Mass at S Johns and on Christmas Day 9.30am All Saints and 11.00am S Johns. S John celebrates the Patronal festival on the feast of S John the Apostle and Evangelist Friday 27<sup>th</sup> December with Mass at 9.30am and Solemn Mass 7.00pm.

At a time of change and uncertainty in our world and indeed in our nation as well as in so many peoples lives please hold one another and those who lead us in your prayers as we approach the celebration of the Emmanuel ~ God with US at Christmas.

Fr Mark, Fr Chris, Diane, Anna & Jonathon, the Church Wardens and PCC's join me in wishing you all a happy and holy Christmas and a New Year full of joy and peace.



# Friends

JANUARY 29<sup>TH</sup>  
A.G.M

ALL WELCOME

## MOTHERS UNION MEETINGS

ALL MEETINGS AT  
ST.JOHN'S



December 2<sup>nd</sup>  
**CHRISTMAS SERVICE**  
December 16<sup>th</sup>  
Christmas Faith Lunch &  
Carols (12 noon)

See Alma for further details

## HOME COMMUNIONS

Anyone sick or housebound  
Who would like to receive  
Holy Communion at home  
Please contact Fr Paul or Fr Mark

## 500 CLUB

Numbers for the S Johns/All Saints weekly draw with cash  
prize each week at £1.00 each.  
For Church funds from Anne Hoare

## ALL SAINTS RAFFLE

Monthly raffle at All Saints is drawn after Mass on the 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Sunday of each month. Tickets £1 per strip from  
Sheila Savage.





### **PARISH CELL – Our Lady of Walsingham**

It is thought we would re-instate the Parish Cell of Our Lady of Walsingham (as the joint idea of another Parish didn't work out) so all Walsingham Pilgrims past, present and future and all who have an interest in the Shrine or love of Our Lady of Walsingham are invited to attend the monthly gathering which will include Mass/ Rosary & light refreshments. Programme for the year at back of Church.



Please feel  
free to pop  
into St John's  
Parish Room  
on the 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Friday of  
each month  
1pm-2pm, for  
a chat with  
**CLLR. KEVIN SHAW**

## **PARISH REGISTERS**

### **Holy Baptism**

"Do not be afraid to profess the faith"

031119 Ava Rose Harvey

031119 Aaron James Harvey

171119 Ezra Leif Marvey

### **Funerals in Church**

"Rest eternal grant unto them O Lord"

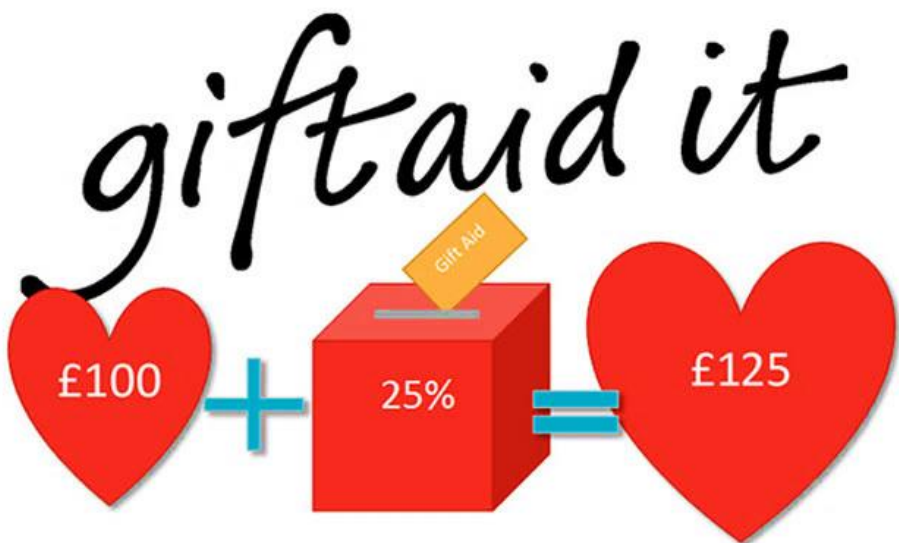
121119 Jimmy Jones

131119 Les Black

## **OCTOBER & NOVEMBER BUILDING FUND DONATIONS**



Brenda Ross in memory of Sadie & Brian Stobie  
Anon  
Brenda Ross in memory of William Corkhill &  
William Scorer  
Susan Took



If you pay tax then you can increase the value of your church giving by 25% without costing you a penny! Speak to Jacqueline Trotter for further details about Gift Aid.

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Melanie has collected £120.95 so far for her favourite charity

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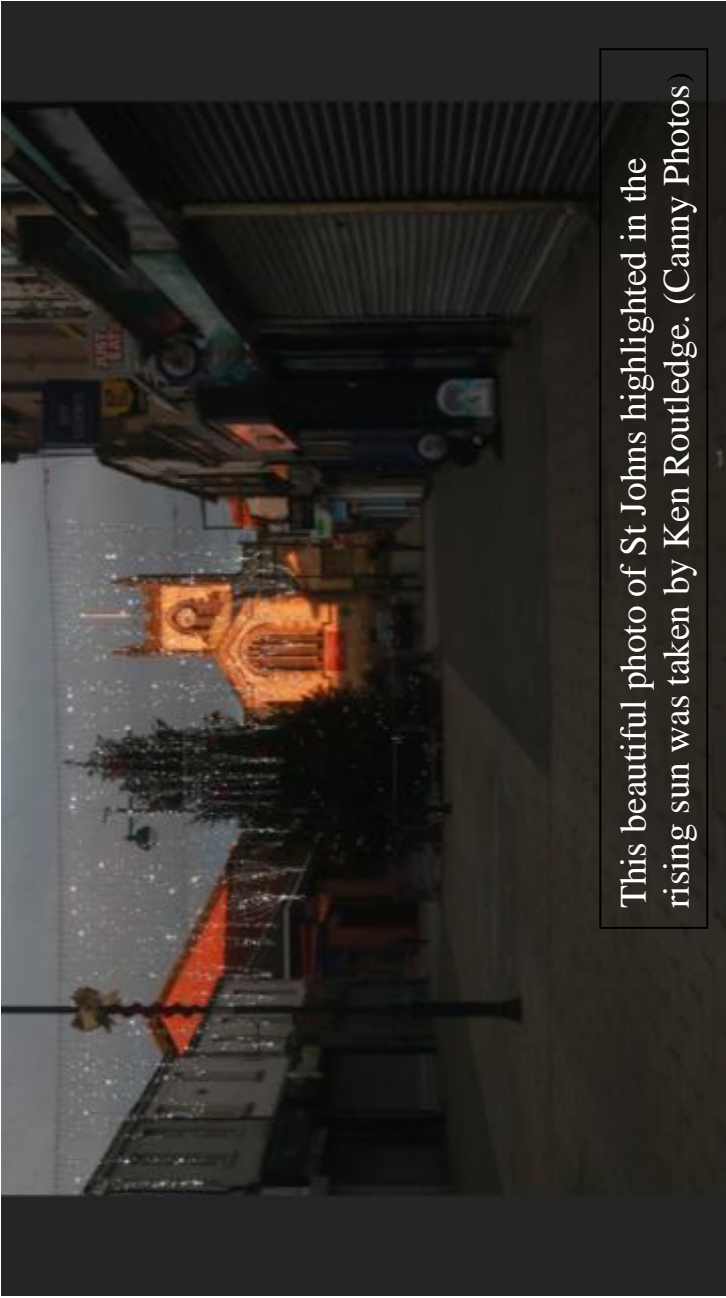
**2. Shop**

From travel to toasters, every time you shop, do it the easyfundraising way

**3. Collect**

Help out when you check out – it doesn't cost you a penny extra

Go to [www.eastfundraising.org.uk](http://www.eastfundraising.org.uk)



This beautiful photo of St Johns highlighted in the rising sun was taken by Ken Routledge. (Canny Photos)

Don't forget to have a look at the Gift Shop at the back of St John's for rosaries and other religious jewellery made by our own Andy Steel in aid of church funds.

Stock is changed regularly.





Some of the team who cleaned the church during the Big Clean

Grateful thanks from Dawdon Community Centre  
to all who donated gifts for children at Christmas







## GENERAL KNOWLEDGE QUIZ

1. Which Geordie actor starred as 'Spender'?
2. What is the fifth book of the Old Testament?
3. The Victory was whose flagship?
4. What is the middle colour of the Italian flag?
5. What sort of drink would fino or oloroso be?
6. What type of apes live on the rock of Gibraltar?
7. In verse, which bells said, 'You owe me five farthings'?
8. How many gallons in a bushel?
9. Which birthstone is linked to January?
10. From which language does the word budgerigar come?



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

ISLA STALEY  
NANCY JAMIESON


NORMA REAY  
ASHTON BLAKELOCK



## **QUIZ** **ANSWERS**

1. Jimmy Nail
2. Deuteronomy
3. Nelsons
4. White
5. Sherry
6. Barbary Apes
7. St Martins
8. 8
9. Garnet
10. Aboriginal

**Please submit  
items of interest  
for the Parish  
Magazine by 12<sup>th</sup>  
of the month.**



HEAVENLY FATHER, BLESS THE BISHOPS,  
CLERGY & PEOPLE OF THE SOCIETY,  
BIND US TOGETHER IN LOVE & FAITH,  
RENEW US IN SERVICE & WITNESS, ANY BY  
YOUR HOLY SPIRIT GUIDE OUR FUTURE &  
MAKE PLAIN YOUR PURPOSES. WE ASK THIS  
THROUGH CHRIST OUR LORD. AMEN.

ST. WILFRED, PRAY FOR US  
ST. HILDA, PRAY FOR US

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