

As the health emergency continues to evolve, services are limited.

Our Church building is closed apart from funerals and a planned weekly communion service beginning on July 5th.

Our on line services continue for now.

2nd August 2020
8th Sunday after
Trinity

This week @ St Cuthbert's

Readings (see attached Readings sheet.)

Isaiah 55: 1 - 5. Psalm 145: 8 - 9, 15 - 22.
Romans 9: 1 - 5. Matthew 14: 13 - 21.

Keeping in touch

St Cuthbert's website:

<https://www.stcuthbertsonline.com>

On Social Media via facebook and twitter

Rev John and the team are sharing prayer and reflection each day on facebook & twitter

A short Eucharist service will be available via Facebook and the church website each Sunday

*However strong our faith these are difficult and worrying times for all of us. **Our church building is reopening on a very limited basis. Some will not yet feel able to return to church.** If you are deemed at higher risk and are continuing in self isolation could you please let the Vicar know **in confidence**. This would assist the work of our pastoral support team.*

St. Cuthbert's Parish Church, like many other organisations, has found its income has collapsed because of the impact of Corona Virus.

*We can no longer take collections at services; hold fundraising events or let out the Parish Hall. Sadly, the bills still come in! **Please help if you can.** Via www.give.net/20305167 or if you are able to give on a regular basis please contact our treasurer, Mike Dixon; email: treasurer@stcuthbertsonline.com **Many thanks to those of you who are already giving to us through www.give.net***

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Please note because of current restrictions all services apart from funerals and the weekly communion service cannot proceed.

Please remember in your prayers our friends and neighbours who live in Coquetdale, Redesdale & Alndale.

This week's readings.

Monday 3 rd August	Tuesday 4 th August	Wednesday 5 th August	Thursday 6 th August	Friday 7 th August	Saturday 8 th August
Jeremiah 28. Psalm 119: 89 - 96. Matthew 14: 13 - 21.	Jeremiah 30: 1 - 2, 12 - 15, 18 - 22. Psalm 102: 16 - 21. Matthew 13: 36 - 43.	Jeremiah 31: 1 - 7, 13 - 14. Ps 121. Matthew 15: 21 - 28.	Daniel 7, 9 - 10. Psalm 97. 2 Peter 1: 16 - 19. Luke 9: 28 - 36.	Nahum 2: 1, 3. 3: 1 - 3, 6 - 7. Psalm 137: 1 - 6. Matthew 16: 24 - 28.	Habakkuk 1: 12 - 2: 4. Psalm 9: 7 - 11. Matthew: 17: 14 - 20.

What's on @ St Cuthbert's

St Cuthbert's
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Amble

SUNDAY SERVICE

Our Church will be opening again on Sundays for...

Holy Communion

Starting: Sunday 5th July

Time: 9.30 am

This will be a said service with no hymns.

Our online services will still continue.

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Café Church @ St Cuthbert's

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Exploring the faithfulness of God.

Café Church on Zoom.

Sunday August 1st

4:00 pm.

Contact Penny Horseman for the link.

pennyhorseman@gmail.com

**Services continue to be restricted.
A spoken Communion Service will be held on
Sundays from July 5th at 9.30 am.**

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Don't forget St Cuthbert's Amble is also on Facebook and twitter. **On line services continue.**

As the situation changes and with it advice from Government, St Cuthbert's plans to open up our church building for a weekly spoken communion service, as from Sunday July 5th. Caution is still needed and our on line services will continue for now.



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Every day we share prayers on facebook and our website.

We would now like to extend this to sharing your prayer requests on Fridays.

So if anyone would like someone or something prayed for then please let us know.

Please email our vicar, Rev. John McDermott, at:

vicar@stcuthbertsonline.com



A free phone line of hymns, reflections and prayers



Loving God,
You are our Creator and Sustainer
when you open your hand
You satisfy the hunger and thirst of every living thing.
And so we look to you whenever we are in need,
trusting in your love and your abundant goodness.
As you once fed the hungry crowds with five loaves and
two small fish,
we ask that You would again fill those who are empty
this day.

Pour out Your Spirit on all who hunger and thirst.
We pray for the physically hungry – whose stomachs are
empty; who face critical food shortages; who face the
effects of malnutrition and starvation; who watch
helplessly as loved ones die.

We pray for those who are empty emotionally –
who are lonely and long for companionship and love,
who are caught in the grip of depression,
or overwhelmed with grief.

We pray for those who are spiritually empty –
who are troubled but don't know where to turn;
who long for purpose and meaning, but don't know
where to look; who need You, but do not yet know You.
God, we praise You for Your abundant gifts in our lives.

Pour out Your Spirit on us as well.

Fill us with your compassion and your love,
so that we would willingly share some of our abundance
with those who have need.

Lord in Your mercy, open Your hand.

Pour out Your Spirit, so that we may be filled.

*We pray in the name of Jesus Christ,
Who came so that all of humanity might come to know
the abundant life that comes from You.*

Christine Longhurst

Shared by Sarah Mitchell.



The West Window (above) was installed to celebrate the Centenary of Saint Cuthbert's Parish Church in 1970. It includes an image of Oswald, King martyr and saint, who briefly ruled Northumbria until his death in battle against the Pagan King Penda of Mercia on August 5th AD 642. Oswald had been driven in to exile as a youth and he found solace and Christianity on the Island of Iona. Inspired by his faith Oswald seized his crown at the Battle of Heavenfield, with the cross as his banner, in AD 634. In a brutal age when there was no concept of "nation" and at most tribal loyalty, competing rulers fought and died for power. As I suggested in an article for the Parish Magazine in September 2017 "the characteristics of successful kings seldom include saintliness".

Bede described Oswald as "always humble kind and generous; the most Christian King of the Northumbrians." He became the centre of a Europe-wide cult.

Oswald is remembered because he reigned long enough to invite Aidan, an Irish monk from Iona to re-establish Christianity from his base in Lindisfarne.

Oswy, his brother and successor achieved the rare feat for a Northumbrian king of dying in his bed.

By that time the fledgling church nurtured by Oswald and his Bishop Aidan was well established. Northumbria's distinctive brand of Celtic Christianity developed in to an extraordinary outpouring of faith and learning which survived many challenges and left a legacy including the *Lindisfarne Gospels*.

Robert Arkless

COLLECT

Almighty Lord and everlasting God,
we beseech you to direct, sanctify
and govern both our hearts and
bodies
in the ways of your laws and the
works of your commandments;
that through your most mighty
protection, both here and ever,
we may be preserved in body and
soul;
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus
Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

FIRST READING **Isaiah 55:1-5**

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

The LORD says this: Everyone who
thirsts, come to the waters; and you
that have no money, come, buy
and eat! Come, buy wine and milk
without money and without price.
Why do you spend your money
for that which is not bread, and
your labour for that which does
not satisfy? Listen carefully to me,
and eat what is good, and delight
yourselves in rich food. Incline your
ear, and come to me; listen, so that
you may live. I will make with you an
everlasting covenant, my steadfast,
sure love for David. See, I made him
a witness to the peoples, a leader
and commander for the peoples.
See, you shall call nations that you
do not know, and nations that do not
know you shall run to you, because
of the LORD your God, the Holy One
of Israel, for he has glorified you.

PSALM **Psalm 145:8-9. 15-22**

*R You open wide your hand,
O Lord,
[and satisfy the needs of every
creature].*

The Lord is gracious and full of
compassion,
slow to anger and of great kindness.
The Lord is loving to everyone
and his compassion is over all his
works. **R**

The Lord upholds all those who fall;
he lifts up those who are bowed
down.

The eyes of all wait upon you,
O Lord,
and you give them their food in due
season.

You open wide your hand
and satisfy the needs of every living
creature. **R**

The Lord is righteous in all his ways
and loving in all his works.

The Lord is near to those who call
upon him,
to all who call upon him faithfully.
He fulfils the desire of those who
fear him,
he hears their cry and helps them. **R**

The Lord preserves all those who
love him,
but he destroys all the wicked.
My mouth shall speak the praise of
the Lord;
let all flesh bless his holy name for
ever and ever. **R**

SECOND READING

Romans 9:1-5

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

I am speaking the truth in Christ.
I am not lying; my conscience
confirms it by the Holy Spirit.
I have great sorrow and unceasing
anguish in my heart. For I could
wish that I myself were accursed
and cut off from Christ for the sake
of my own people, my kindred
according to the flesh. They are
Israelites, and to them belong the
adoption, the glory, the covenants,
the giving of the law, the worship,
and the promises; to them belong
the patriarchs, and from them,
according to the flesh, comes
the Messiah, who is over all, God
blessed for ever. Amen.

GOSPEL **Matthew 14:13-21**

*Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus
Christ according to Matthew.*

When Jesus heard that Herod had
beheaded John the Baptist, he

withdrew in a boat to a deserted
place by himself. But when the
crowds heard it, they followed him
on foot from the towns. When he
went ashore, he saw a great crowd;
and he had compassion for them
and cured their sick. When it was
evening, the disciples came to him
and said, "This is a deserted place,
and the hour is now late; send the
crowds away so that they may go
into the villages and buy food for
themselves." Jesus said to them,
"They need not go away; you give
them something to eat." They
replied, "We have nothing here
but five loaves and two fish." And
he said, "Bring them here to me."
Then he ordered the crowds to sit
down on the grass. Taking the five
loaves and the two fish, he looked
up to heaven, and blessed and
broke the loaves, and gave them to
the disciples, and the disciples gave
them to the crowds. And all ate and
were filled; and they took up what
was left over of the broken pieces,
twelve baskets full. And those who
ate were about five thousand men,
besides women and children.

POST COMMUNION

Strengthen for service, Lord,
the hands that have taken holy
things;
may the ears which have heard your
word be deaf to clamour and
dispute;
may the tongues which have sung
your praise be free from deceit;
may the eyes which have seen the
tokens of your love shine with the
light of hope;
and may the bodies which have been
fed with your body be refreshed
with the fullness of your life;
glory to you for ever.