

ONLINE RESOURCES FOR DAILY PRAYER:

praying with the church: <https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-worship/join-us-in-daily-prayer.aspx>
 Prayer of imagination: <http://www.pray-as-you-go.org/home/>

FOODBANK Please continue to donate, tinned meats, long life juice, UHT milk, small bags of rice, curry jar sauces, pasta and jars of pasta sauce, particularly instant mash & Jam Thank you for your ongoing generosity.

LENT MISSION PROJECT

This year we are combining our efforts with our friends at Christ Church Norris Green and The Good Shepherd to raise funds for New Life Ghana. To help buy toys and learning materials for the under 5 year olds. More info at www.newlifeghana.co.uk and on YouTube enter Bridget at School and Home . -please see the leaflets for more information.

LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE This Lent at St Cuthbert's . This year we are taking part in LIVELENT 2018 course. The sessions are running each Wednesday, 7-8pm in Church. All are welcome.

FLOWERS FOR EASTER Last year we decked the church out with an abundance of flowers for Easter and gave out lavish bunches of flowers for Mothering Sunday. We hope to do the same this year, but we will need your help! If you would like to donate towards flowers, please place your donation in the basket at the back of church.

SUMMER FAIR Donations for raffles prizes, teddies and your time as helpers are needed. Please see Kim Doran or John Le Guen for more information.

Meetings and Events**Sunday 11th March**

NO Junior Confirmation 4.30pm in Church
 SPARK

Wednesday 14th March

Bible Study 7.30pm in 18 Bowen Close
 LIVELENT course 7-8pm in Church

Sunday 18th March

Choir practice 10.30am
 Junior Confirmation 4.30pm in Church
 SPARK.

Welcome to St Cuthbert's



Sunday 11th March 2018 Mothering Sunday

Intercessions

Ollie Holmes, Amy Blacklock and family, Louis Marshall, Julie Carroll, Stephen Wearing, Reg Gradden, Francis Davidson, John Ellis and James O'Keefe, Juan Buch-Turon, Neville & Patricia Jones, Carlo Regadas. Elaine, Dot, Audrey, Christopher Browne, Hilda and Stan

RIP-**Years Mind:**

Charlie Smith, Frances Smith
 James Lucas, Rachel Lucas

Welcome to St Cuthberts Church

Thank you for coming today. We pray you are encouraged by the worship and teaching you hear, and by the people you meet.

We strive to be a welcoming, warm congregation, and we hope you sense that. Please let us know if you would like more information about us. We would be happy to answer any questions you might have and to get to know you better.

We hope you feel at home with us as together we worship God today. As a safe place all are welcome. Our motivation is the risen Lord Jesus whose safe and risky love took him to the cross and whom we seek to serve.

Please continue to support each other as we proceed through the Interregnum. We thank all of you who volunteer on our rotas to keep the church functioning. Encourage each other and please pray for the PCC as they continue the process to find our new minister.

We hope you have a wonderful week full of many blessings.

COLLECT

(for Mothering Sunday)

God of compassion, whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary, shared the life of a home in Nazareth, and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself: strengthen us in our daily living that in joy and sorrow we may know the power of your presence to bind together and to heal; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

FIRST READING

Exodus 2. 1-10

(A reading from the book of Exodus)

Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him for three months. When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him.

The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him. 'This must be one of the Hebrews' children,' she said. Then his sister said to Pharaoh's daughter, 'Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?' Pharaoh's daughter said to her, 'Yes.' So the girl went and called the child's mother. Pharaoh's daughter said to her, 'Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages.' So the woman took the child and nursed it. When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh's daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, 'because', she said, 'I drew him out of the water.'

Psalm 34. 11-20

Come, O children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the Lord.

Which of you desires life, and covets many days to enjoy good?

Keep your tongue from evil, and your lips from speaking deceit.

Depart from evil, and do good; seek peace, and pursue it.

The eyes of the Lord are on the righteous, and his ears are open to their cry.

The face of the Lord is against evildoers, to cut off the remembrance of them from the earth.

When the righteous cry for help, the Lord hears, and rescues them from all their troubles.

Psalm continued

The Lord is near to the broken-hearted, and saves the crushed in spirit.

Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the Lord rescues them from them all.

He keeps all their bones; not one of them will be broken.

SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 1. 3-7

(A reading from Paul's letter to the Corinthians)

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and the God of all consolation, who consoles us in all our affliction, so that we may be able to console those who are in any affliction with the consolation with which we ourselves are consoled by God. For just as the sufferings of Christ are abundant for us, so also our consolation is abundant through Christ. If we are being afflicted, it is for your consolation and salvation; if we are being consoled, it is for your consolation, which you experience when you patiently endure the same sufferings that we are also suffering. Our hope for you is unshaken; for we know that as you share in our sufferings, so also you share in our consolation.

GOSPEL

Luke 2. 33-35

(The Gospel according to Luke)

And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too.'

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

SUNDAY 25th March

Palm Sunday Eucharist with procession of Palms
9am—11am—6pm

WEDNESDAY 28th March

LIVELENT at 7pm

MAUNDY THURSDAY:

Eucharist with foot washing at 7.30pm followed by the watch til midnight

GOOD FRIDAY:

Children's activities in St. Cuthbert's will run
from 10-12pm

Walk of Witness from the Good Shepherd, Lower House Lane,
at 11am

The Last Hour meditation on the cross at 2pm

SATURDAY:

Vigil, with the Service of Light and
First Eucharist of Easter with baptism at 8pm

SUNDAY:

10am Easter Morning Eucharist with renewal of Baptism vows