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FOODBANK A massive THANK YOU for your ongoing donations If you can, please donate an item or two please continue to do so:

ST CUTHBERTS QUIZ NIGHT.

6.30pm Saturday 30th March. All

Welcome, tickets £5 per team

See the wardens or Natalie for tickets.



BOTTLE SUNDAY extra. Please bring a bottle next Sunday for the summer fair bottle stall. Any teddies to donate please see Kim.

AGM Is Sunday 7th April 10am, at which there will be elections for 5 PCC members, and 2 church wardens. If you would like to explore these positions please speak to the current post holders or the vicar for further information. There will also be a presentation of the accounts. All are welcome to this brief meeting and if you are on the electoral roll you can vote

AN INTRODUCTION TO MINDFULNESS, at St Cuthberts Tuesday April 2nd, 9th, 16th and 14th and 21st May 2019 12:30-3pm. This is being run via Comuniversity and is free to sign up or ask for a yellow form from Rev Laura.

Weekly Activities as normal on sheet**Meetings and Events****Sunday 24th March**

Café Church 6pm

Monday 25th March

APLACE2B: Cafe & Mental Health Hub, 11.30am - 2.30pm.

Tuesday 26th March

Children's confirmation course in School 3.30pm

PCC meeting in Church 7.30pm

Wednesday 27th March

LENT course—Together for Good. 7.15pm in church

Sunday 30th March Mothers Day 10am service

Welcome to St Cuthbert's



Third Sunday of Lent
Sunday 24th March 2019

INTERCESSIONS**Please pray for**

Ollie Holmes, Amy Blacklock and family, Louis Marshall, Francis Davidson, John Ellis, James O'Keefe, Juan Buch-Turon, Neville & Patricia Jones, Carlo Regadas, Dot, Audrey and Annabel, Christopher Browne, Darli, Hilda and Stan, Mike and Liz, Peter Jones, Steve Le Guen, Steven Ratcliffe, Roseline Wagner, Naomi and family, Alun, Graham, John & Sheila Doyle. Carole Read.

Rest in Peace**Years Mind**

Joan Anne Anderson

John Owens, Bryan Lawrence Hulett

Welcome to St Cuthbert's 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.

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

COLLECT**(for The Third Sunday of Lent)**

Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; 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**Isaiah 55. 1-9****(A reading from the book of Isaiah)**

Ho, 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. Seek the Lord while he may be found, call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts; let them return to the Lord, that he may have mercy on them, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.

Psalms 63. 1-9

O God, you are my God, I seek you, my soul thirsts for you; my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.

So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary, beholding your power and glory.

Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you.

So I will bless you as long as I live; I will lift up my hands and call on your name.

My soul is satisfied as with a rich feast, and my mouth praises you with joyful lips

when I think of you on my bed, and meditate on you in the watches of the night;

for you have been my help, and in the shadow of your wings I

SECOND READING**1 Corinthians 10. 1-13****(A reading from Paul's first letter to the Corinthians)**

I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ. Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them, and they were struck down in the wilderness. Now these things occurred as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil as they did. Do not become idolaters as some of them did; as it is written, 'The people sat down to eat and drink, and they rose up to play.' We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did, and were destroyed by serpents. And do not complain as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer. These things happened to them to serve as an example, and they were written down to instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have come. So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall. No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it.

GOSPEL**Matthew 6. 24-27**

No one can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.

'Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they?

