

**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—Last week for donations**

This year we have combined 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](http://www.newlifeghana.co.uk) and on YouTube enter Bridget at School and Home .

**SUMMER FAIR Saturday 7th July** Donations for raffles prizes, teddies and your time as helpers are needed. Please see Kim Doran or John Le Guen for more information

**ARCHDEACON VISITATION** Thursday 17th May, 7.30pm at St Andrews Clubmoor. All welcome.

**All sides people and Church wardens must be in attendance**

**AGM** Is Sunday 22nd April 10am, at which there will be elections for 2 PCC members and 2 church wardens. If you would like to explore these positions please speak to the current post holders or the church wardens 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

**Meetings and Events****Sunday 8th April**

Choir practice 10.30am  
 Junior Confirmation in Church, 4.30pm  
 SPARK.7.30pm

**Wednesday 11th April**

Bible Study 7.30pm in 18 Bowden Close

**Saturday 14th April**

Ladies Brunch 10.30am in Church

**Sunday 15th April**

Choir practice 10.30am  
 Junior Confirmation in Church, 4.30pm  
 SPARK.7.30pm

# Welcome to St Cuthbert's



**Sunday 8th April 2018**  
**Second Sunday in Easter**

**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:**

Ken Haddock, Bill Leisk  
 Janette Sharples (Jen) Norman Ashworth  
 Ann Carlidge, Pete Shewell

**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.

**The PCC are pleased to announce our vacancy has been advertised on the Church of England website <https://pathways.churchofengland.org/jobs/job/Vicar-Croxteth-Park-St-Cuthbert/545>**

Please pray for all involved as they continue the process to find our new minister.

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

## COLLECT

(For Second Sunday of Easter )

Almighty Father, you have given your only Son to die for our sins and to raise again for our justification: grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness that we may always serve you in pureness of living and truth; through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## FIRST READING

Acts 4. 32-35

(A reading from the Acts of the Apostles)

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

## Psalm 133

How very good and pleasant it is when kindred live together in unity!

**It is like the precious oil on the head, running down upon the beard, on the beard of Aaron, running down over the collar of his robes.**

It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion. For there the Lord ordained his blessing, life for evermore.



## SECOND READING

1 John 1. 1-2.2

(A reading from The First letter of John)

We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life— this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us— we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete. This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us. My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

## GOSPEL

John 20. 19-end

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.' But Thomas (who was called the Twin\*), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.' A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe. Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through