

ONLINE RESOURCES FOR DAILY PRAYER:

Praying with the church: <https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-worship/join-us-in-daily-prayer>

Prayer of imagination: <http://www.pray-as-you-go.org>

FOODBANK School holiday hunger is increasing the need at Foodbank. If you can, please donate an item or two. Particularly short of UHT milk, tinned products especially meat, fish, fruit, vegetables (tomatoes, carrots, peas and sweetcorn) shampoo, soap and toothpaste.

SCHOOL FORMS. Appointments can now be made for completion of school forms for admissions in September 2019. Please visit for more information <http://www.stcuthbertsschoolforms.wordpress.com> for details. Information leaflets are also available at this site.

LICENSING SERVICE

On 20th September 2018 at 7.30pm at St Anne Stanley both The Revd Laura Leatherbarrow as Vicar of Croxteth Park St Cuthbert & The Revd Dr Howard Leatherbarrow as Vicar of Stonecroft, All Saints will be licensed. All are welcome.

SUNDAY 30TH SEPTEMBER at 11am. Bishop Paul will lead the service marking our 30th anniversary and Revd Laura Leatherbarrow will be inducted and installed as Vicar of St Cuthbert's. **Please note - one service only on 30th.**

VOLUNTEERS needed for the **cleaning rota (urgently as week 1 only has 1 person)** & Altar Servers 1 week in 4. Gardening duties-anytime! Please speak to the church wardens for more information.

COMMUNITY LUNCH CLUB RELAUNCH in September. The aim is to provide a healthy simple lunch to members of the community reaching the vulnerable and lonely. We need volunteers to work as a team to provide this for our community. If you can help in any capacity, please speak to the Wardens. Cost of training and running expenses for the lunches will be met by St Cuthbert's.

PASTORAL CARE TEAM contact
StCpastoralcare@hotmail.com

Meetings and Events

Sunday 19th August

No Spark

Wednesday 22nd August

Bible Study 7.30pm in 18 Bowden Close

Sunday 26th August

Choir practice 10.30am

No Spark

Welcome to St Cuthbert's



Twelfth Sunday after Trinity Sunday 19th August 2018

Intercessions

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

RIP**Years Mind****Welcome to St Cuthbert's Church****GOOD NEWS**

We have a new vicar Reverend Laura Leatherbarrow, who will hopefully be joining us in the Autumn. Please continue to pray for the work of this church as well as Reverend Laura, her family and the congregations of East Widnes Churches where she is the Acting Team Rector.

Greetings!

We are glad you have joined us this Sunday. We pray that you find the time with us inspiring, meaningful and challenging. The Bible tells us to "make the most of every opportunity." Those opportunities come and go so quickly and more often than not never return. That's one of the reasons why we are so glad you have joined us today. We hope that it will lead to many more opportunities to get to know each other. Thanks for coming!

COLLECT

(For The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity)

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray and to give more than either we desire or deserve: pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask but through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

FIRST READING

1 Kings 2. 10-12; 3. 3-14

(First reading from the First Book of Kings)

Then David slept with his ancestors, and was buried in the city of David. The time that David reigned over Israel was forty years; he reigned for seven years in Hebron, and thirty-three years in Jerusalem. So Solomon sat on the throne of his father David; and his kingdom was firmly established. Solomon loved the Lord, walking in the statutes of his father David; only, he sacrificed and offered incense at the high places. The king went to Gibeon to sacrifice there, for that was the principal high place; Solomon used to offer a thousand burnt-offerings on that altar. At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, 'Ask what I should give you.' And Solomon said, 'You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart towards you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. And now, O Lord my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?' It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. God said to him, 'Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you. I give you also what you have not asked, both riches and honour all your life; no other king shall compare with you. If you will walk in my ways, keeping my statutes and my commandments, as your father David walked, then I will lengthen your life.'

Psalm 111

Praise the Lord! I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

Great are the works of the Lord, studied by all who delight in them.

Full of honour and majesty is his work, and his righteousness endures for ever.

He has gained renown by his wonderful deeds; the Lord is gracious and merciful.

He provides food for those who fear him; he is ever mindful of his covenant.

He has shown his people the power of his works, in giving them the heritage of the nations.

The works of his hands are faithful and just; all his precepts are trustworthy.

They are established for ever and ever, to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.

He sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his covenant for ever. Holy and awesome is his name.

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practise it have a good understanding. His praise endures for ever.

SECOND READING

Ephesians. 5. 15-20

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

Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

GOSPEL

John 6. 51-58

I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.' The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' So Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live for ever.'