

Sunday 11th January 2026 - Baptism of Christ
9am St Andrew's Thropton 10.30am All Saints, Rothbury
10.30am St Mary The Virgin, Holystone

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The Rector: Position currently in vacancy

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To discuss Weddings or Funerals, please contact the numbers below

For all other enquiries please contact David Carey who will put you in touch with the relevant Churchwarden.

David Carey: 01669 621635

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Joan Storey is requesting clothes for next years 'Gladrags' Sale. If you are sorting out cupboards etc please pass good quality items to Joan Storey she is happy to store them out of your way. Please clearly mark items with the size. Thank you

Produce Stall

Normal service will be resumed on the 1st February 26

100 Club Renewal at the coffee morning 10th January

Everyone is welcome to join. A draw takes place every month. You could win up to £460 in twelve months, Monies raised goes towards the upkeep of our three churches at this end of the valley.

Would you like to have a number - £12 for 6 months
 Contact Sandy on 07978591559



Funeral of Brian Staff

11am Thursday 15th January in All Saints, Rothbury
 Followed by interment at Rothbury Cemetery
 Officiated by Canon Bob Burston & David Carey

Please pray for Pauline her family and friends at this sad time.

Heavenly Father, help us to understand the powers at work in your creation, in the storm and the flood, in the earthquake and landslide. Grant us wisdom in choosing where and how to live and work. Help us to support our local and global neighbours when natural disasters devastate their lives. Amen

Praying for the Earth – Rob Kelsey. Submitted by Liz Cummings.

Our Echo Churches encourage us to: Eat foods in season when we can.

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9am St Andrew's Thropton Rev'd Canon Dr Philip Bourne

10.30am All Saints, Rothbury - Rev'd Dr Ann Peters

10.30am St Mary the Virgin, Holystone Rev'd Canon Dr Philip Bourne.

Wednesday 14th January - All Saints, Rothbury

9am Morning Prayer

10.30am Eucharist - Rev'd Canon Dr Phillip Bourne

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Sunday 18th January—Epiphany 2

9am Christ Church Hepple –tba

10.30am All Saints, Rothbury –tba

10.30am St Michael & All Angels, Alwinton Rev'd Diane Whitaker

3pm Messy Church—Parish Rooms—all welcome

Wednesday 21st January—All Saints Rothbury

9am Morning Prayer

9.30am Eucharist - Rev'd Canon Dr Phillip Bourne

Sunday 25th January—Conversion of Paul

9am St Andrew's, Thropton - Rev'd Ric Waite

10.30am All Saints, Rothbury - Rev'd Ric Waite

10.30am St Mary the Virgin, Holystone Rev'd Dr Rosie Stacey

16.00pm Café Church—Harbottle

17.00 All Saints, Rothbury Evening Prayer - Reader

Wednesday 28th January All saints, Rothbury

9am Morning Prayer

9.30am Eucharist Rev'd Dr Rosie Stacey

Warm Hub All Saints, Rothbury

Parish Rooms

Every Friday Morning until Lent Lunches

from 2nd January 10—12 noon For anyone who would like some warmth, coffee, tea, and biscuits and someone to talk to. There is no charge.



Saturday 10th January

Coffee Morning 10—12 noon in All Saints, Rothbury

100 Club Renewal at the coffee morning
 please consider joining this important fundraising as we have six numbers still to be allocated



Sunday 11th January—Baptism of Christ

Collect

Eternal Father, who at the baptism of Jesus revealed him to be your Son, anointing him with the Holy Spirit: grant to us, who are born again by water and the Spirit, that we may be faithful to our calling as your adopted children; 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.

First Reading : **Isaiah 42 v 1-9**

“Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen one in whom I delight; I will put my Spirit on him and he will bring justice to the nations. He will not shout or cry out, or raise his voice in the streets. A bruised reed he will not break, and a smouldering wick he will not snuff out. In faithfulness he will bring forth justice; he will not falter or be discouraged till he establishes justice on earth. In his law the islands will put their hope.” This is what God the LORD says – he who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and all that comes out of it, who gives breath to its people, and life to those who walk on it: “I, the LORD, have called you in righteousness; I will take hold of your hand. I will keep you and will make you to be a covenant for the people and a light for the Gentiles, to open eyes that are blind, to free captives from prison and to release from the dungeon those who sit in darkness. “I am the LORD; that is my name! I will not give my glory to another or my praise to idols. See, the former things have taken place, and new things I declare; before they spring into being I announce them to you.”

Second Reading: **Acts 10 v34-43**

Then Peter began to speak: “I now realise how true it is that God does not show favouritism but accepts men from every nation who fear him and do what is right. You know the message God sent to the people of Israel, telling the good news of peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all. You know what has happened throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached – how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power, and how he went around doing good and healing all who were under the power of the devil, because God was with him.

“We are witnesses of everything he did in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They killed him by hanging him on a tree, but God raised him from the dead on the third day and caused him to be seen. He was not seen by all the people, but by witnesses whom God had already chosen – by us who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one whom God appointed as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

Gospel Reading: **Matthew 3 v13-17**

Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to be baptised by John. But John tried to deter him, saying, “I need to be baptised by you, and do you come to me?”

Jesus replied, “Let it be so now; it is proper for us to do this to fulfil all righteousness.” Then John consented. As soon as Jesus was baptised, he went up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and lighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, “This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased.”

Post Communion Prayer

Lord of all time and eternity, you opened the heavens and revealed yourself as Father in the baptism of Jesus your beloved Son: by the power of your Spirit complete the heavenly work of our rebirth through the waters of the new creation; through Jesus Christ our Lord.