

Sunday 18th January 2026 - Epiphany 2

9am Christ Church, Hepple—cancelled 10.30am All Saints, Rothbury Morning Prayer
 10.30am St Michael & All Angels, Alwinton
 3pm Messy Church in Parish Rooms

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Please contact Gail with any safeguarding concerns.

The Rector: Position currently in vacancy

Lay Ministers :

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Clergy with permission to officiate :

Rev'd. Captain John Storey, Canon Bob Burston, Rev'd. Dr. Rosie Stacey, Rev'd. John Wylam

Rothbury Parish Rooms Bookings - Kathryn Reynolds: [01669 620784](tel:01669620784)

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

Canon Bob Burston 01669 650160



Curry Night

At Netherton Village Hall
 Friday 30th January at 7.30pm
 Tickets £20
 Contact Sharon 07780463807

100 Club Renewal is now due

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

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.



Heavenly Father, as we rejoice in the diversity of the universal Church, may we also rejoice in the rich diversity of your creation. Make us mindful of our unity in Christ. Help us

realize your plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in Him, things on heaven, and things on earth. Amen
 Praying for the Earth – Rob Kelsey. Submitted by Liz Cummings.

Our Echo Churches encourage us to: Prioritise local dry goods over imported.

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9am Christ Church Hepple – cancelled, members of the congregation are invited to join All Saints this morning

10.30am All Saints, Rothbury – Morning Prayer David Carey

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—Harsbottle

17.30pm All Saints, Rothbury Evening Prayer - Reader

Wednesday 28th January All Saints, Rothbury

9am Morning Prayer

9.30am Eucharist tba

Sunday 1st February - Presentation of Christ

9am Christ Church, Hepple The Venerable Dr Catherine Sourbut Groves

10.30am All Saints, Rothbury - Morning Prayer David Carey followed by the Produce Stall.

10.30am St Michael & All Angels Alwinton - Venerable Dr Catherine Sourbut Groves.

10.30am St Michael & All Angels Alnham - Rev'd Dr Ann Peters

2nd February Bible Study 2—3 pm in the Parish Rooms with David Carey—please bring along a bible

Wednesday 4th February All Saints, Rothbury

9am Morning Prayer

9.30am Eucharist tba

Sunday 8th February 2nd before Lent

9am St Andrew's Thropton - Rev'd Dr Ann Peters

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

10.30am St Mary the Virgin, Holystone Rev'd Christine Purnell

Wednesday 11th February— All Saints, Rothbury

9am Morning Prayer

9.30am Rev'd Dr Ann Peters

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Collect

Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new: transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; 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 49 v1 - 7**

Listen to me, you islands; hear this, you distant nations: Before I was born the LORD called me; from my birth he has made mention of my name. He made my mouth like a sharpened sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me into a polished arrow and concealed me in his quiver. He said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will display my splendour." But I said, "I have laboured to no purpose; I have spent my strength in vain and for nothing. Yet what is due to me is in the LORD'S hand, and my reward is with my God." And now the LORD says – he who formed me in the womb to be his servant to bring Jacob back to him and gather Israel to himself, for I am honoured in the eyes of the LORD and my God has been my strength – he says: "It is too small a thing for you to be my servant to restore the tribes of Jacob and bring back those of Israel I have kept. I will also make you a light for the Gentiles, that you may bring my salvation to the ends of the earth." This is what the LORD says – the Redeemer and Holy One of Israel – to him who was despised and abhorred by the nation, to the servant of rulers: "Kings will see you and rise up, princes will see and bow down, because of the LORD, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you."

Second Reading: **1 Corinthians 1 v1-9**

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes, To the church of God in Corinth, to those sanctified in Christ Jesus and called to be holy, together with all those everywhere who call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ – their Lord and ours: Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I always thank God for you because of his grace given you in Christ Jesus. For in him you have been enriched in every way – in all your speaking and in all your knowledge – because our testimony about Christ was confirmed in you. Therefore you do not lack any spiritual gift as you eagerly wait for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed. He will keep you strong to the end, so that you will be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God, who has called you into fellowship with his Son Jesus Christ our Lord, is faithful.

Gospel Reading: **John 1 v29-42**

John saw Jesus coming towards him and said, "Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! This is the one I meant when I said, 'A man who comes after me has surpassed me because he was before me.' I myself did not know him, but the reason I came baptising with water was that he might be revealed to Israel." Then John gave this testimony: "I saw the Spirit come down from heaven as a dove and remain on him. I would not have known him, except that the one who sent me to baptise with water told me, 'The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and remain is he who will baptise with the Holy Spirit.' I have seen and I testify that this is the Son of God." The next day John was there again with two of his disciples. When he saw Jesus passing by, he said, "Look, the Lamb of God!" When the two disciples heard him say this, they followed Jesus. Turning round, Jesus saw them following and asked, "What do you want?" They said, "Rabbi" (which means Teacher), "where are you staying?" "Come," he replied, "and you will see." So they went and saw where he was staying, and spent that day with him. It was about the tenth hour. Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, was one of the two who heard what John had said and who had followed Jesus. The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon and tell him, "We have found the Messiah" (that is, the Christ). And he brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You will be called Cephas" (which, when translated, is Peter).

Post Communion Prayer

God of glory, you nourish us with your Word who is the bread of life: fill us with your Holy Spirit that through us the light of your glory may shine in all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.