

Sunday 8th February - 2nd Before Lent

9am St Andrew's Thropton 10.30am All Saints, Rothbury
10.30am St Mary the Virgin - Holystone

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David Carey: 01669 621635

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Lent Lunches

In the URC Church, Rothbury 12 noon until 1.30pm

6th March run by URC
13th March run by Anglican Churches
20th March run by Armstrong Hall

Everyone is welcome to enjoy soup and rolls followed by cake, coffee or tea

Please consider making a donation of £5 for Christian Aid

Well done to all those involved in the Curry Night and those who came along to support.

A fantastic sum of £2,000 was raised.

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.



Dear Lord, Bless all people and embrace us with your abundant grace for working together in the journey to heal the earth. We pray for your wisdom, sympathy and creativity to take meaningful actions with a shared vision for the common good of all creation. In the precious name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

by Naw Ohnmar Shwe, Gaia Organization, Myanmar.

Submitted by Liz Cummings.

**Our Echo Churches encourage us to:
Support local environment groups.**

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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

Wed 11th February— All Saints, Rothbury

9am Morning Prayer

9.30am Rev'd Dr Ann Peters

Sunday 15th February Sunday next before Lent

9am Christ Church, Hepple - Rev'd Dr Ann Peters

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

10.30am St Michael & All Angels, Alwinton no service today please join Rothbury or Hepple

15.00pm Messy Church - Parish Rooms

Ash Wednesday 18th February

9am Morning Prayer

9.30am Eucharist tbc

Sunday 22nd February - Lent 1

9am St Andrew's Thropton Rev'd Ian Knox

10.30am All Saints, Rothbury tbc

10.30am St Mary the Virgin, Holystone - Rev'd Ian Knox

16.00pm Café Church, Harbottle Village Hall

17.30 Evening Prayer - All Saints, Rothbury -David Carey

Wednesday 25th February All Saints, Rothbury

9am Morning Prayer

9.30am Eucharist tbc

Quiz Night

Thursday 12th February
Star Inn Harbottle at 8pm



In aid of Alwinton and Holystone Churches

Coffee Morning

Saturday 14th February 10—12 noon

All Saints, Rothbury

With raffle, cakes/produce, bric-a-brac, tea and coffee



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Collect

Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the earth and made us in your own image: teach us to discern your hand in all your works and your likeness in all your children; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things, now and for ever.

First Reading : Genesis 1 v 1-2.3

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, 'Let there be light'; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day. And God said, 'Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.' So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day. And God said, 'Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.' And it was so. God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, 'Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it.' And it was so. The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the third day. And God said, 'Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth.' And it was so. God made the two great lights – the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night – and the stars. God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day. And God said, 'Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky.' So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. God blessed them, saying, 'Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.' And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day. And God said, 'Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind.' And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, 'Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.' So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. God blessed them, and God said to them, 'Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.' God said, 'See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.' And it was so. God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day. Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.

Second Reading: Romans 8 v 18 - 25

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 6 v25—34

Jesus said: "I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more important than food, and the body more important than clothes? Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to his life? "And why do you worry about clothes? See how the lilies of the field grow. They do not labour or spin. Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendour was dressed like one of these. If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? So do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own."

Post Communion Prayer

God our creator, by your gift the tree of life was set at the heart of the earthly paradise, and the bread of life at the heart of your Church: may we who have been nourished at your table on earth be transformed by the glory of the Saviour's cross and enjoy the delights of eternity; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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