



The Parish of Upper Coquetdale

Alnham,
Alwinton,
Hepple,
Holystone,
Rothbury,
Thropton

Sunday 22nd February - Lent 1

9am St Andrew's Thropton 10.30am All Saints, Rothbury
No service today at Holystone or Alwinton—please join Rothbury or Thropton
17.30pm Evening Prayer All Saints, Rothbury

Parish Safeguarding Officer : Gail Johnson 07733379270
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Please contact Gail with any safeguarding concerns.

The Rector: Position currently in vacancy

Lay Ministers :

David Carey davidcarey21@btinternet.com

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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

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

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

Funeral of Alan Renton 25th February in All Saints, Rothbury at 2pm followed by interment at Rothbury Cemetery.

Officiated by David Carey

Funeral of Robert Taylor on Thursday 5th March at 2pm in All Saints, Rothbury followed by a burial in Rothbury Cemetery.

Officiated by Canon Bob Burston

Please pray for Alan & Robert's friends and family at this sad time

The Church Electoral Roll for the Parish will be undergoing its annual revision in April. If you are not already on the Roll, we would encourage you to join. The 2025 Roll and the application forms are at the back of each church. Completed forms should be handed to a Church Warden no later than Sunday 22nd March. If you have filled out a form since 2025 you do not need to complete another one. Margaret Pope Parish Electoral Roll Officer

O Lord, we pray for strength as the glaciers thaw and our Earth is in pain. Give us the spirit to do more. We must all act together, and protect our fragile home. We ask this through Christ Our Lord, Amen.

Prayer: Cathrine Wignall/CAFOD submitted by Liz Cummings.

Our Echo Churches encourage us to: rent, loan or borrow equipment that you don't regularly use.

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9am St Andrew's Thropton—Morning Prayer

10.30am All Saints, Rothbury Morning Prayer with Songs of Praise

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

2pm Funeral Alan Renton, All Saints, Rothbury. Followed by a burial in Rothbury Cemetery—officiated by David Carey.

Friday 27th February 10am - Dr Tomlinson School Assembly for Aidan House in All Saints, Rothbury theme: Saint Aelflaed

Sunday 1st March—Lent 2

9am Christ Church, Hepple tba

10.30am All Saints, Rothbury—Morning Prayer - David Carey—followed by The Produce Stall

10.30am St Michael & All Angels, Alwinton - Rev'd Judy Glover

10.30am St Michael & All Angels, Alnham - tba

Wednesday 4th March All Saints, Rothbury

9am Morning Prayer

9.30am Eucharist - Rev'd Dr Ann Peters

5th March 2pm—Funeral of Mr Robert Taylor in All Saints, Rothbury - followed by interment at Rothbury Cemetery—officiated by Canon Bob Burston

Sunday March 8th Lent 3

9am St Andrew's Thropton The Venerable Dr Catherine Sourbut Groves

10.30am All Saints Rothbury - Rev'd Diane Whitaker

10.30am St Mary the Virgin Holystone - The Venerable Dr Catherine Sourbut Groves

All Saints are responsible for the Lent Lunch on Friday 13th March
Alison Ball is coordinating this, we need soups, cakes and helpers
Please contact Alison on 01669 621143

Bell Ringers Tombola Prices: At Coffee Morning

Some prices remain unclaimed—Ticket numbers:
147,151,152, 156, 165,168, 174,176,177, 178, 188

Please contact Chris Wilkinson on 07879881143 to claim your price

Warm Hub All Saints, Rothbury

Parish Rooms

Friday Mornings until last session on 27th Feb

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.



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Collect

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are, yet without sin: give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your Spirit; and, as you know our weakness, so may we know your power to save; 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 : Genesis 2. v15-17; 3. v1-7

The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the LORD God commanded the man, 'You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.'

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, 'Did God say, "You shall not eat from any tree in the garden"?' The woman said to the serpent, 'We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, "You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die."' But the serpent said to the woman, 'You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.' So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

Second Reading : Romans 5 v12-19

Just as sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned – sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come. But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgement following one trespass brought condemnation but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ. Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so the act of righteousness of one leads to justification and life for all. For just as by the one person's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 4 v1-11

Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted for forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. The tempter came and said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.' But he answered, 'It is written, "One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God."'

Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, 'If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, "He will command his angels concerning you", and "On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone."' Jesus said to him, 'Again it is written, "Do not put the Lord your God to the test."'

Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour; and he said to him, 'All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.' Jesus said to him, 'Away with you, Satan! for it is written, "Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him."' Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

Post Communion Prayer

Lord God, you have renewed us with the living bread from heaven; by it you nourish our faith, increase our hope, and strengthen our love: teach us always to hunger for him who is the true and living bread, and enable us to live by every word that proceeds from out of your mouth; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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