

Sunday 1st March - Lent 2

9am Christ Church, Hepple 10.30am All Saints, Rothbury - Morning Prayer
10.30am St Michael & All Angels, Alwinton 10.30am St Michael & All Angels Alnham

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The Rector: Position currently in vacancy

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

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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

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

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

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 Robert's friends and family at this sad time

St Michaels & All Angels, Alnham. Annual General Meeting is to be held in the church on Wednesday 4th March 2026 at 6.30pm

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

Dear Lord, In this time of abstinence and reflection, help us to confront our weaknesses in the wilderness and perceive our place in your great universe. We give thanks for the green shoots of your presence in the waste places of the world. May we learn new habits of holy living in our relationship with the earth. Amen
Praying for the Earth – Rob Kelsey. Submitted by Liz Cummings.

**Our Eco Churches encourage us to:
Plant pollinator-friendly plants**

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9am Christ Church, Hepple BCP Rev'd Dr Rosie Stacey

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

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This evenings Deanery Service at Alnmourh has been Cancelled (Alison Hardy)

Monday 2nd March 2-3pm Bible Study in The Parish Rooms

Wednesday 4th March - All Saints, Rothbury

9am Morning Prayer

9.30am Eucharist - Rev'd Dr Rosie Stacey

6.30pm St Michael & All Angels, Alnham AGM in church

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

Friday 6th March—Lent Lunch 12—1.30pm in URC

2pm World Day of Prayer Service in All Saints, Rothbury

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

Wednesday 11th March All Saints, Rothbury

9am Morning Prayer

9.30am Eucharist Rev'd Canon Dr Philip Bourne

Friday 13th March—Lent Lunch 12—1.30pm in URC

Saturday 14th March—Coffee Morning 10am All Saints

Sunday 15th March - Lent 4 (Mothering Sunday)

9am Christ Church, Hepple—Rev'd Canon Dr Philip Bourne

10.30am All Saints, Rothbury Rev'd Canon Dr Philip Bourne

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

Peters

3pm Messy Church - Parish Rooms, all welcome!



Bible Study

Monday 2nd March in the Parish Rooms with David Carey
Please bring along a bible



World Day of Prayer Service

The theme is **I WILL GIVE YOU REST, COME'**
(Written by Nigeria)

At 2pm on Friday 6th March in All Saints,

the speaker is Rev'd Dr Ann Peters and the choir of Dr. Tomlinson's Middle School will be performing. Please come along and support this important event.

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Collect

Almighty God, you show to those who are in error the light of your truth, that they may return to the way of righteousness: grant to all those who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may reject those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

First Reading : Genesis 12 v1 –4a

The LORD said to Abram, 'Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.' So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him.

Second Reading : Romans 4 v 1-5, 13-17

What are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? 'Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness.' Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness. For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, 'I have made you the father of many nations'). Abraham believed in the presence of the God who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

Gospel Reading: John 3 v 1-17

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, 'Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.' Jesus answered him, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.' Nicodemus said to him, 'How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?' Jesus answered, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, "You must be born from above." The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.' Nicodemus said to him, 'How can these things be?' Jesus answered him, 'Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.'

Post Communion Prayer

Almighty God, you see that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves: keep us both outwardly in our bodies, and inwardly in our souls; that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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