

St Hilda with St Thomas, South Shields

24 August 2025

ST BARTHOLOMEW THE APOSTLE

Intention: Our Parish and People

9.30am – Mass

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Rabbi, you are the Son of God: you are the King of Israel. Alleluia.

1. Thank you to Mr Maurice Powell for playing for us again this morning.

2. Sunday 31 August: Solemn Evensong and Benediction at St James the Great, Darlington at 6pm for the Dedication Festival of the Church. This will be Father Michael Way's last Sunday as Priest in Charge.

3. Saturday 6 September: The Saint Cuthbert Pilgrimage Festival at Durham Cathedral. 11am Solemn Mass and Procession to St Cuthbert's Shrine. Celebrant: The Bishop of Beverley | Preacher: Father George Westhaver, Principal of Pusey House, Oxford.

4. Great North Run: Vigil Mass at St Michael's at 6pm on Saturday 6 September | Sunday 7 September: Mass (BCP) at 8am at St Michael's | Mass at St Hilda's at 6pm.

5. Saturday 11 October: 10am-3pm Children's Ministry Course at Christ the King, Bowburn with the Bishop of Beverley.

6. Save the Date: The Bishop of Beverley will visit the Benefice to induct Father Mark as Vicar on Saturday 22 November. There will be Mass at St Hilda's for St Cecilia's Day at 12 noon and Evensong and Benediction at St Michael's at 3pm on the Eve of Christ the Universal King.

Let your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of your humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions make them to ask such things as shall please you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

This week's scripture readings at Mass

1 Thessalonians 1.1-5, 8-10 | Matthew 23.13-22

1 Thessalonians 2.1-8 | Matthew 23.23-26

1 Thessalonians 2.9-13 | Matthew 23.27-32

1 Thessalonians 3.7-13 | Matthew 24.42-51

Jeremiah 1.17-19 | Mark 6.17-29

1 Thessalonians 4.9-12 | Matthew 25.14-30

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This week's services and prayer intentions

[Services in italics at St Michael's Church]

Monday 25 August

Feria

Intention: Society of the Holy Cross

9.00am Mass

Tuesday 26 August

Blessed Dominic Barberi

Intention: Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham

6.00pm Mass

Wednesday 27 August

St Monica

Intention: Mothers

10.00am Mass

5.30pm Evening Prayer

Thursday 28 August

St Augustine

Intention: Theologians

11.00am Mass (BCP)

Friday 29 August

Beheading of St John the Baptist

Intention: Those in need

11.15am Funeral Service at South Shields

Crematorium | Alma Pigott RIP

Saturday 30 August

Ss Margaret Clitherow, Anne Line

and Margaret Ward

Intention: Christian Unity

10.00am Mass

Sunday 31 August

ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Intention: Our Parish and People

Sung Mass at 9.30am

Churchwardens: Mrs J Mulley (456-7461)

Mr P Grainger (454-3955)

Mr W Marley Miss C Mulley

SAINT BARTHOLOMEW THE APOSTLE

COLLECT

Almighty and everlasting God, who gave to your apostle Bartholomew grace truly to believe and to preach your word: grant that your Church may love that word which he believed and may faithfully preach and receive the same; 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. **Amen.**

FIRST READING Isaiah 43.8-13

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

Bring forth the people who are blind, yet have eyes, who are deaf, yet have ears! Let all the nations gather together, and let the peoples assemble. Who among them declared this, and foretold to us the former things? Let them bring their witnesses to justify them, and let them hear and say, 'It is true.' You are my witnesses, says the Lord, and my servant whom I have chosen, so that you may know and believe me and understand that I am he. Before me no god was formed, nor shall there be any after me. I, I am the Lord, and besides me there is no saviour. I declared and saved and proclaimed, when there was no strange god among you; and you are my witnesses, says the Lord. I am God, and also henceforth I am He; there is no one who can deliver from my hand; I work and who can hinder it?

PSALM Verses from Psalm 145

I will magnify thee, O God, my King : and I will praise thy Name for ever and ever.

Every day will I give thanks unto thee : and praise thy Name for ever and ever.

Great is the Lord, and marvellous worthy to be praised : there is no end of his greatness.

One generation shall praise thy works unto another : and declare thy power.

As for me, I will be talking of thy worship : thy glory, thy praise, and wondrous works;

So that men shall speak of the might of thy marvellous acts : and I will also tell of thy greatness.

SECOND READING Acts 5.12-16

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Many signs and wonders were done among the people through the apostles. And they were all together in Solomon's Portico. None of the rest dared to join them, but the people held them in high esteem. Yet more than ever believers were added to the Lord, great numbers of both men and women, so that they even carried out the sick into the streets, and laid them on cots and mats, in order that Peter's shadow might fall on some of them as he came by. A great number of people would also gather from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those tormented by unclean spirits, and they were all cured.

GOSPEL Luke 22.24-30

Hear the Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

A dispute also arose among them as to which one of them was to be regarded as the greatest. But he said to them, 'The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those in authority over them are called benefactors. But not so with you; rather the greatest among you must become like the youngest, and the leader like one who serves. For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one at the table? But I am among you as one who serves. 'You are those who have stood by me in my trials; and I confer on you, just as my Father has conferred on me, a kingdom, so that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and you will sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.'

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Almighty God, who on the day of Pentecost sent your Holy Spirit to the apostles with the wind from heaven and in tongues of flame, filling them with joy and boldness to preach the gospel: by the power of the same Spirit strengthen us to witness to your truth and to draw everyone to the fire of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**