

Durham North Team Ministry

The Parish of St. Cuthbert with St. Aidan Durham

ADVENT SUNDAY

1st December 2013



Come and share the Bread of Life!

Readings

Morning

Isaiah 2:1-5

Psalm 122

Romans 13: 11-14

Matthew 24:36-44

Evening

Psalm 141

Isaiah 7:10-15

Matthew 25:1-13



At both churches there is sound reinforcement with a loop system: please turn hearing aids to T to benefit

Our worship today

8.00am HOLY COMMUNION at St Cuthbert's

(Book of Common Prayer)

President Remi Omole

The collect and readings for The First Sunday in Advent are on page 47.

9.15am HOLY COMMUNION at St Aidan's

(Common Worship)

President Remi Omole Preacher Tom Glover

Please join us for refreshments afterwards in the Parish Hall

11.00am COME & PRAISE at St Cuthbert's

President & Preacher Robert Lawrance

Please join us for bring & share lunch in the Community Room

6.00pm SERVICE OF LIGHT at St Cuthbert's

President Tom Glover Preacher Alison Blackburn

Advent Posada: Hopefully everyone who is hosting the holy family has received their letter! The holy family come with a prayer card and a little holder for a night-light which will travel with them but will need renewing as each nightlight runs out!

The Advent Group continues this week; copies of the readings for next Sunday with a brief commentary are available. Even if you can't come to the group, take the booklet home and read the passages before next Sunday and see whether this has some kind of impact – mull the readings over and speak to others about your insights!

Thank you to everyone who helped with the **Christmas Fair**, we raised £1125 for Church funds and £100 towards our fund-raising for the Deanery Christian Aid Project supporting women in Afghanistan!

Do you know someone who might like to help the church by being a verger at weddings and funerals at St Cuthbert's (a fee is payable for each occasion) and to be responsible for the church boiler and paths in winter, possibly in return for a modest honorarium? Contact the Vicar.

For your prayers this week

The Collect for Advent Sunday

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility; that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Parish Community: we pray for the keeping of Advent and for the homes hosting the holy family in our Posada.

Diocesan Family: we pray for Houghton-le-Spring Deanery, Area Dean Eddie Wilkinson, Lay Chair Joy Davison, Secretary Margaret Hope and all members of the Deanery Synod.

Anglican Communion: we pray for the diocese of West Virginia, Province III of the Episcopal Church, their Bishop Willam Michie Klusmeyer.

Methodist Connexion: we pray for Ruth Gee the President of the Methodist Conference and for the British Connexional Team

Among those for whom our prayers are asked: we pray for Edith Wells in hospital, Ethel Modral, Bob and Anne Gordon, Richard Britnell, Glynis Pearce, Nigel Petrie and for Dave, and for those in our intercession books and anyone unable to be with us today through ill-health or infirmity.

The blessed departed: we remember Roger Till, Sydney Farrow and Robert Paxton who have recently died, and for Dorothy Elizabeth Ferguson, Jennifer Mary Webb, Herbert Lees and Michael John Inns whose anniversaries fall this week

The Post Communion Prayer: O Lord our God, make us watchful and keep us faithful as we await the coming of your Son our Lord; that, when he shall appear, he may not find us sleeping in sin but active in his service and joyful in his praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

If you have any notices for the pew slip or would like someone included in the list of the sick, or of the blessed departed, please contact the Team Office by telephone 0191 384 7825 or email durhamnorthteam@gmail.com

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This pew slip and a calendar for St Cuthbert's & the Community Room are available on-line <http://cuthbertandaidan.durhamnorthteam.org> or find us on facebook <https://www.facebook.com/#!/stcuthbertsdurham>

THE WEEK AHEAD

- Monday 2nd** 8.30am Morning Prayer at St Aidan's
- Tuesday 3rd** Francis Xavier, Missionary, Apostle to the Indies, 1552
8.30am Morning Prayer at St Michael's Witton Gilbert
7.30pm Parochial Church Council in the Community Room
- Wednesday 4th** John of Damsacus, Monk, Teacher of the Faith, c.749
8.30am Morning Prayer at St Aidan's
9.30am Holy Communion at St Cuthbert's *Robert Lawrance*
10.15am Music Planning Group at St Cuthbert's
1.0pm Piano Concert by Lee Jae Phang at St Cuthbert's
music by Haydn, Chopin & Brahms, lunch from 11.45am
2.0pm Mothers' Union Advent Service at St Mary's Sherburn
2.30pm Memorial Service for Robert Paxton at St Cuthbert's
7.30pm Advent Group in The Community Room
- Thursday 5th** 8.30am Morning Prayer at St Aidan's
10.0am Holy Communion at Sacriston *Caroline Dick*
10.0am-11.30am Aidan's Kitchen in The Parish Hall
6.0pm District Beaver Scouts Christingle at St Cuthbert's
7.30pm Choir Practice for Victorian Carols at St Cuthbert's
- Friday 6th** Nicholas, Bishop of Myra, c.320
8.30am Morning Prayer at St Aidan's
5.00pm Holy Communion at Bearpark *Robert Lawrance*

SUNDAY 8th DECEMBER THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT

Services at usual times

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