

The Week Ahead

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| Mon 15 Jan | 2pm 7.30pm | Mothers' Union Holy Communion Student Group | St. Mary's See Notice |
| Tue 16 Jan | 8.45am 9.30-11.30am 1.30pm 6-7pm | Morning Prayer Little Lights Knit & Natter Vestry Hour | St. Giles' St. Giles' St. Mary's St. Mary's |
| Wed 17 Jan | 8.45am 9.30am 10am 6pm | Morning Prayer Holy Communion Holy Communion Holy Communion | St. Giles' St. Mary's St. Giles' St. Cuthbert's |
| Thu 18 Jan | 8.45am 9.30-11.30am | Morning Prayer Little Lights | St. Giles' St. Giles' |
| Fri 19 Jan | 8.45am 10.30am-noon 3.30-5pm 6-7pm 7-9pm | Morning Prayer Bereavement Support Group Friday Frenzies Vestry Hour SCUFFS | St. Giles' St. Giles' St. Giles' St. Giles' St. Cuthbert's |

Services on Sunday 21 January 2017

Third Sunday of Epiphany

Genesis 14. 17 - 20 | Rev. 19. 6-10 | John 2. 1-11

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| 9am | Sung Eucharist | St. Cuthbert's |
| 10am | Sung Eucharist with Guest Preacher | St. Giles' |
| 10.45am | Sung Eucharist | St. Mary's |
| 5.30pm | Youth Church | St. Giles' |
| 6pm | Evening Prayer | St. Giles' |

Coming up in our churches...

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| Mon 27 Jan | 9-11.30am | Coffee Morning | Sherburn CC |
| Tues 30 Jan | 1.30pm | Knit & Natter | St. Mary's |
| Sat 3 Feb | 10.11.30am | Coffee Morning | St. Giles' |
| Wed 7 Feb | 12-2pm | Broth & Bun Lunch | St. Giles' |

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St. Giles: www.stgilesdurham.org.uk  St Giles Durham  @StGiles_Durham

St. Mary's: www.sherburnchurch.org.uk  St Mary the Virgin Church

St. Cuthbert's: www.shadforthchurch.org.uk  St Cuthbert's Shadforth

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Parish Office Open This Week

Vacancy | For urgent pastoral issues, please contact Revd. Richard or Revd. Ruth.
Other queries are best directed to the churchwardens or the parish office.



Living churches at the heart of their communities...

**Welcome to St. Giles', Durham,
St. Cuthbert's, Shadforth and St. Mary's, Sherburn**

Second Sunday of Epiphany

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If it is your custom to receive Holy Communion in your church, you are welcome to do so here.

Refreshments are served after the morning service at the back of church (Sherburn & Shadforth) and in the Parish Centre (Gilesgate).

Children

Sunday School at St. Mary's, Sherburn takes place in the church during the 10.45am service, except during Friends & Family services and school holidays.

Sunday Club at St. Giles' meets during the 10am service except on the last Sunday of the month, when it is our *4forAll* service, and for breaks during school holidays. On weeks when there is no Sunday Club, children's activity bags are available at the back of church and there is usually an activity provided for the day.

The Collect

Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new:
transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace,
and in the renewal of our lives
make known your heavenly glory;
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.

Bible Readings

1 Samuel 3.1-10

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. Then the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' and he said, 'Here I am!' and ran to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' But he said, 'I did not call; lie down again.' So he went and lay down. The Lord called again, 'Samuel!' Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' But he said, 'I did not call, my son; lie down again.' Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, 'Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, "Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening."' So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, 'Samuel! Samuel!' And Samuel said, 'Speak, for your servant is listening.'

Revelation 5.1-10

Then I saw in the right hand of the one seated on the throne a scroll written on the inside and on the back, sealed with seven seals; and I saw a mighty angel proclaiming with a loud voice, 'Who is worthy to open the scroll and break its seals?' And no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll or to look into it. And I began to weep bitterly because no one was found worthy to open the scroll or to look into it. Then one of the elders said to me, 'Do not weep. See, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered, so that he can open the scroll and its seven seals.'

Then I saw between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders a Lamb standing as if it had been slaughtered, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth. He went and took the scroll from the right hand of the one who was seated on the throne. When he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell before the Lamb, each holding a harp and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. They sing a new song:

'You are worthy to take the scroll
and to open its seals,

for you were slaughtered and by your blood you ransomed for God
saints from every tribe and language and people and nation;
you have made them to be a kingdom and priests serving our God,
and they will reign on earth.'

John 1.43-end.

The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, 'Follow me.' Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, 'We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth.' Nathanael said to him, 'Can anything good come out of Nazareth?' Philip said to him, 'Come and see.' When Jesus saw Nathanael coming towards him, he said of him, 'Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!' Nathanael asked him, 'Where did you come to know me?' Jesus answered, 'I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.' Nathanael replied, 'Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!' Jesus answered, 'Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.' And he said to him, 'Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.'

Post Communion Prayer

God of glory, you nourish us with your Word
who is the bread of life:
fill us with your Holy Spirit
that through us the light of your glory
may shine in all the world.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

NOTICE BOARD

Notices to stgileschurchdurham@live.co.uk by 1.00pm Wednesday, please.

Welcome to Stephen Martin who will be our guest preacher at St Mary's this morning.

New students and young adults group meeting | Every Monday at 7.30pm from January 15th at 2 Cooper Square, Gilesgate, DH1 1PT. We'll be exploring the previous week's Church readings as well as a short video for discussion – plus snacks too! Talk to Adam or Matthew at St Giles' for more details (or email adamjspiers@gmail.com).

Edith Jackson Trust Christmas Quiz | Thank you to everyone that took part in the Edith Jackson Trust Christmas Quiz. The answers are on a sheet at the back of the churches. Congratulations to Brian & Rose Rogers who won the quiz with a brilliant 49/50 correct answers!

7.30pm, Thursday 15 February | THAT'S ENTERTAINMENT, A fabulous evening of Music. In aid of and taking place in St Mary's Church. Tickets £5 including refreshments. Tickets available from Paul & Alison.

11am-3pm, Saturday 24 February | Snowdrop Day at St. Cuthbert's.