

The Week Ahead

No Little Lights, Friday Frenzies or SCUFFs this week as it's half term

Mon 18 Feb	2pm	Mothers' Union	St. Mary's
Tue 19 Feb	8.45am 6-7pm	Morning Prayer Vestry Hour	St. Giles' St. Mary's
Wed 20 Feb	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 21 Feb	8.45am	Morning Prayer	St. Giles'
Fri 22 Feb	8.45am 10.30am-noon	Morning Prayer Bereavement Support Group	St. Giles' St. Giles'
Sat 23 Feb	11am-3pm	Snowdrop Day	St. Cuthbert's

Services on Sunday 24 February 2019 Second Sunday before Lent

Genesis 2.4b-9, 15-end | Revelation 4 | Luke 8.22-25

9am	Sung Eucharist	St. Cuthbert's
10am	Sung Eucharist	St. Giles'
10.45am	Sung Eucharist	St. Mary's
4pm	4forAll	St. Giles'

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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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Please note that Tom's day off is Monday

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Living churches at the heart of their communities...

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

Third Sunday before Lent Sunday 17 February 2019

9am	Sung Eucharist	St. Cuthbert's
10am	Sung Eucharist	St. Giles'
10.45am	Sung Eucharist	St. Mary's
6pm	Evening Prayer	St. Giles'

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, who alone can bring order
to the unruly wills and passions of sinful humanity:
give your people grace so to love what you command
and to desire what you promise,
that, among the many changes of this world,
our hearts may surely there be fixed
where true joys are to be found;
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

Jeremiah 17.5-10

Thus says the Lord: Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals and make mere flesh their strength, whose hearts turn away from the Lord. They shall be like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see when relief comes. They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land.

Blessed are those who trust in the Lord, whose trust is the Lord. They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream. It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green; in the year of drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit.

The heart is devious above all else; it is perverse— who can understand it? I the Lord test the mind and search the heart, to give to all according to their ways, according to the fruit of their doings.

1 Corinthians 15.12-20

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ—whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

Luke 6.17-26

He came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them. Then he looked up at his disciples and said: 'Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. 'Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. 'Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.

'Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets. 'But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. 'Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. 'Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep. 'Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

NOTICE BOARD

Notices to stgileschurchdurham@live.co.uk by 1pm Wednesday please

2pm, Monday 18 February | Mothers' Union at St. Mary's

11am-3pm, Saturday 23 February | **Snowdrop Day** at St Cuthbert's. Refreshments available Wear suitable footwear. Weather Permitting.

7pm, Thursday 7 March | **Beetle Drive & Hot Dogs** at St. Mary's. An evening of Fun & Tactics. Tickets £4, Includes refreshments. Raffle. Tickets from Paul, Alison, Margaret & Jean

Saturday 11 March | **Day trip to Holy Island** | St Giles are having a Grand Day Out to Holy Island. If you would like to go, please sign up on the sheet at the back of church. £15 Adults, £7.50 for Children.

Friday 19th July | **St. Mary's Coach Trip to Keswick Day** trip to Keswick Fun, Food & Shopping. Leaves the Village Green at 8.30am. Tickets £15. From Paul, Alison, Margaret & Jean.

New Electoral Roll | 2019 sees the preparation of new church electoral rolls, which means that everyone must come off the roll and re-apply. This takes place only once in every six years. To enrol please get a form for the Electoral Roll officers in each church (Jacqui - St Giles; Rose - St Cuthbert's; Natalie - St Mary's.

Parish Administrator Vacancy | St Giles' seeks to employ an administrator to assist the Priest-in-Charge and senior lay officers in the administration of the work of the church. The post is for 10 hours per week and the payment is £11.00 per hour. Please contact Revd Tom Glover for more details and for an application pack: Closing date for receipt of applications is noon on Monday 4th March 2019. Interviews: To be held at St Giles on Monday 11th March 2019.

Parish Admin | During the adminsitator vacancy, the office phone & email account will be monitored as normal. Replies may take longer than usual.

Waymark Lent Course | For our lent course this year we be running the Waymark Lent Course. This been prepared by the diocese (so will have a nice local flavour to it) and will run for five weeks on a Thursday evening (7pm) at St Giles and on a Wednesday afternoon (2pm) at St Mary's on the following dates:

St Giles: 14th, 21st, 28th March, 4th, 11th April at 7pm.

St Mary's: 13th, 20th, 27th March, 3rd, 10th April at 2pm.

Everyone is welcome to come and attend the course. *Please could folk sign up by 3 March so we know how many booklets to print.*

Post Communion Prayer

Go before us, Lord, in all we do with your most gracious favour,
and guide us with your continual help,
that in all our works begun, continued and ended in you,
we may glorify your holy name,
and finally by your mercy receive everlasting life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.