

A happy new academic year to all the students in our parishes who will be returning to school this week, or perhaps starting for the first time!

St Cuthbert's Church will be holding a **display of dioramas** (3D scenes) in church in November. Thank you to those who have already given us Christmas cake decorations and winter scene figures - if you have any and would like to pass them on, we would still be pleased to have them! Pat Morgan will collect for St Giles, Paul Willey for St Mary's, or Joan Bell for St Cuthbert's. If you want to make one yourself and are looking for inspiration, there are plenty of ideas on 'google' to look at.



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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**

St Giles' Patronal Festival Eleventh Sunday after Trinity Sunday 1 September 2019

10.00am	Joint Festal Eucharist	St Giles'
12.00pm	Baptism	St Giles'
6.00pm	Evening Prayer	St Giles'

There will be no services at St Cuthbert's or St Mary's

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

Collects for the Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

O God, you declare your almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity: mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace, that we, running the way of your commandments, may receive your gracious promises, and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure; 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

Post Communion Prayer

Lord of all mercy,
we your faithful people have celebrated that one true sacrifice
which takes away our sins and brings pardon and peace:
by our communion
keep us firm on the foundation of the gospel
and preserve us from all sin;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

NOTICE BOARD

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

We celebrate the baptism of **Oliver Anthony Darren McKie** at 12.00pm at St Giles today.

And there is still time to pop over to Shadforth for the last day of their **Big Weekend with Scarecrow Trail**. St Cuthbert's will be open for refreshments from 11.00am - 3.00pm.

St Mary's Patronal Festival weekend:

Saturday 7 September, 9.30am-1pm | Church Open Day with floral displays, stalls and refreshments

AND

Sunday 8 September, 10.45am | Service of Celebration

All are welcome

Saturday 28 September, 7.30pm | Gypsy Jazz Night at St Cuthbert's. Tickets for this event are now available from Joan (01429 823400) or Olive (0191 3720457). Adults £10 and children £5, which includes a buffet supper.

Saturday 26 October | Lindisfarne College of Theology Church Chase

Our churches will be open between 10am and 4pm on Saturday 26th October. Volunteers are needed to welcome visitors, share a bit of the history of the church, offer tea, coffee etc. But more importantly they will be able to offer space for visitors to pray and sign off the visits on the chasers' booklets. Please speak to your churchwarden/s if you are able to help.

Volunteers still needed! The grounds around the St Giles' Church Hall need some attention to avoid damage to the fabric of the building. If you could spare some time to help with clearing this, please could you speak to Michael Richardson; if there are enough helpers, he will organise a suitable day for the work to take place. Would be good to get this sorted before the Autumn weather sets in. Thank you.

The Week Ahead

Mon 2 Sept	10.30am	Crosstalk Planning Meeting at Clifden House, Sherburn	
Tues 3 Sept	Gregory the Great, Bishop, 604 8.45am 6.00-7.00pm	Morning Prayer Vestry Hour	St Giles' St Mary's
Wed 4 Sept	8.45am 9.30am 10.30am 12-2.00pm 6.00pm	Morning Prayer Holy Communion Holy Communion Broth and Bun Lunch Holy Communion	St Giles' St Mary's St Giles' St Giles' St Cuthbert's
Thurs 5 Sept	8.45am	Morning Prayer	St Giles'
Fri 6 Sept	8.45am 10.30am	Morning Prayer Bereavement Drop-In	St Giles' St Giles'
Sat 7 Sept	10-11.30am	Coffee Morning	St Giles'

Sunday 8 September 2019 St Mary's Patronal Festival

Isaiah 61: 10-11; Galatians 4: 4-7; Luke 1: 46-55

10.45am	Joint Festal Eucharist	St Mary's
6.00pm	Evening Prayer	St Giles'

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Bible Readings

Isaiah 61: 10 - 62: 5

I will greatly rejoice in the Lord,
my whole being shall exult in my God;
for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation,
he has covered me with the robe of righteousness,
as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland,
and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.
For as the earth brings forth its shoots,
and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up,
so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise
to spring up before all the nations.

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent,
and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest,
until her vindication shines out like the dawn,
and her salvation like a burning torch.
The nations shall see your vindication,
and all the kings your glory;
and you shall be called by a new name
that the mouth of the Lord will give.
You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord,
and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.
You shall no more be termed Forsaken,
and your land shall no more be termed Desolate;
but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her,
and your land Married;
for the Lord delights in you,
and your land shall be married.
For as a young man marries a young woman,
so shall your builder marry you,
and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride,
so shall your God rejoice over you.

Galatians 6: 14-end

May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! As for those who will follow this rule—peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

From now on, let no one make trouble for me; for I carry the marks of Jesus branded on my body.

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers and sisters. Amen.

Luke 12: 22-34

He said to his disciples, 'Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat, or about your body, what you will wear. For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? If then you are not able to do so small a thing as that, why do you worry about the rest? Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin; yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you—you of little faith! And do not keep striving for what you are to eat and what you are to drink, and do not keep worrying. For it is the nations of the world that strive after all these things, and your Father knows that you need them. Instead, strive for his kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well.

'Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.



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was not clothed like one of these.*