

ST CUTHBERT'S BELTINGHAM with ALL HALLOWS' HENSHAW
Parish Newsletter **July 2017**

ROTAS				
JULY	CHURCH	WARDEN	SIDESMAN	FLOWERS
2 July	Beltingham	A Galbraith	Collingwood /Slater	Harding/ Storey/ Walters
9 July	Henshaw	C Adams	L Scott/ J Hayward	F Wancke/ Slater/ C Wancke
16 July	Henshaw	A Storrie	S Walker/ Y Hewitt	“
23 July	Beltingham	W Green	McKenna/ J Galbraith	L Scott/ M Wilkinson
30 July	Beltingham	A Galbraith	Rowlands/ Palmer	“
6 August	Henshaw	C Adams	Collingwood /Slater	C Thompson /D Furlong

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SERVICES		
JULY	BELTINGHAM/ HENSHAW	HAYDON BRIDGE
2 July Trinity 3	9.30 am Parish Eucharist (BCP) – Beltingham	11 am Parish Eucharist + Storybook Church
9 July Trinity 4	9.30 am Parish Eucharist + Storybook Church – Henshaw	11 am Parish Eucharist
3 pm – God’s Tent - pitched near Threepwood Hall		
16 July Trinity 5	9.30 am Parish Eucharist – Henshaw	11 am Parish Eucharist (BCP)
3.30 pm – Big Church Picnic – St Cuthbert’s Haydon Bridge Grounds		
23 July Trinity 6	9.30 am Parish Eucharist – Beltingham	11 am Parish Eucharist
30 July Trinity 7	10 am Joint Eucharist - Beltingham	
	5 pm Evening Worship – Haydon Old Church	
6 August Trinity 8	9.30 am Parish Eucharist (BCP) – Henshaw	11 am Parish Eucharist (BCP)

Letter from the Vicar

The last weekend of June and the first weekend of July are known as “Petertide” when many churches around the world ordain candidates for ministry in the Church. The reason they come at this time is partly the proximity to the end of the academic year, but more importantly their closeness to the Feast of St Peter and St Paul which falls on 29 June. On this day, the Church remembers the two great Apostles of the Church: Peter, the rock on whom Christ built his Church and Paul, Apostle to the Gentiles. This Petertide we are delighted that Gill Alexander is joining us as Curate in the Benefice of Haydon Bridge and Beltingham with Henshaw. Instead of me telling you about her, here’s something from Gill in her own words.

“I was born and brought up in South Shields and the Church of England. I left the North East and the Church of England in 1976 when I went to university. Following an initial career in Academia, a heart for social justice drew me to work in the voluntary sector and eventually to work in local government. Developing programmes that tackle poverty and build flourishing communities has been a key driver. I returned to the North in 1996 and have been privileged to serve as a public servant in the region for over 20 years as the Director of Education and Director of Children’s Services in North Tyneside and currently as the Chief Executive of Hartlepool Council. Ultimately, I could not ignore God’s tug towards ordained ministry. It has been an unexpected journey; and as Bilbo-Baggins used to say ‘It’s a dangerous business, Frodo, going out of your door. You step out into the road, and if you don’t keep your feet, there is no knowing where you might be swept off to.’ Through my journey as an Ordinand I have met some amazing people who have helped me keep my feet grounded in God. As God’s pilgrim people we do not journey alone.”

I hope that you will have chance to get to know Gill very soon, and as God’s pilgrim people we pray for Gill, and all those being ordained throughout the world this Petertide. More than that, Petertide is an opportunity for us all to remember God’s call to each one of us, and continue our journey of life, knowing and serving him in our lives.

Benjamin

CHURCH NEWS

God’s Tent services for children aged 7 plus have got off to a good start with the first meetings at Walltown Crags and Moralee Farm. See the list of services for the next meeting.

Vicar’s Appeal

We will celebrate and give thanks for the generosity of our supporters at our service on **Sunday 16 July, Rural Mission Sunday.**

Summer Tea Party

At All Hallows’ Henshaw on Thursday 20 July from 3 until 5 pm to say ‘thank you’ to our congregation for the many ways in which they help and support the church.

MU – Wednesday 26 July ‘Rosa’s Story’ – Liesbeth Langford.

PCC – the next meeting will be on Thursday 27 July at 7.30 pm.

Our Annual Church Coffee Morning is being held on **Saturday 29 July (open from 9.30 am)** –at Haltwhistle Methodist Church Hall. This is an important fund raiser and **we need lots of help**; in the kitchen, serving coffee, manning the stalls which will include books, bric-a-brac, tombola, raffle and produce. Contributions and prizes - contact Libby on 344582 or bring them to the hall on Friday 28 July from 3 pm when we will be setting up.

NOTES AND NOTICES

Hexham Debates – Saturday 8 July from 11-12.30 pm at St Mary’s Centre, St Mary’s R C Church, Hencotes, Hexham. **Guy Opperman, MP for the Hexham Constituency, ‘Prison Reform’.**

Haltwhistle Garden Club

Monday 10 July – Doug Stewart - ‘R and D in the Horticultural World and Mixed Gardening.

STS Verge Walks

Led by Lesley Silvera on Tuesday 11 July – meet at the end of Haresby Lonnen at 7 pm (grid ref 790661).

WI – Wednesday 12 July - Judy Summerson, ‘Red Kites Return’; hostesses: S Walker & J Johnson; competition: ‘picture of a bird’; stall: bring & buy.

Women’s Health Day

Saturday 22 July at the **Village Hall** from **10am-4pm**. Taster sessions of Tai Chi, yoga, massage, Pilates, Raki, etc. Come along and try something new!

STCC – Tuesday 25 July ‘Film & Food Night’ at the General Havelock ‘The Eagle Huntress’ – Thirteen-year-old Aisholpan trains to become the first female in twelve generations of her Kazakh family to become an eagle huntress. **Booking necessary - £8.50 for meal and film – contact Joanna on 684376 for details.**