

	SERVICES	
OCTOBER	BELTINGHAM/HENSHAW	HAYDON BRIDGE
7 October Trinity 19	9.30 am Henshaw + Storybook Church	11 am Parish Eucharist
14 October Trinity 20	9.30 am Beltingham – Parish Eucharist	11 am Parish Eucharist + Storybook Church
21 October Trinity 21	9.30 am Beltingham – Parish Eucharist	11 am Parish Eucharist
	3 pm God’s Tent – pitching tba	
28 October Simon & Jude	8.30 am Henshaw BCP	
	10 am Celebration – St Cuthbert’s Haydon Bridge	
	3 pm Haydon Old Church	
4 November All Saints/All Souls	9.30 am Henshaw – Parish Eucharist + Storybook Church 3.30 pm All Souls Day* Service	10.30 am Parish Eucharist 5 pm All Souls Day* Service

***All Souls Services**

These are services to remember those who have died. If you would like a loved one to be specifically mentioned, please either add their name to a list in church or inform the Vicar or the churchwardens.

From the Parish Registers

Baptism

Charlotte D Pattinson at All Hallows' Henshaw on 2 September.

Death

Following a service at All Hallows' Henshaw, the burial of Eveline M Turnbull took place at Beltingham on 5 September.

Dates for your diary - Lord, teach us to pray – Three simple sessions on how to pray the way God made you. From 7.30 to 9 pm on Wednesday evenings, starting on 3 October at All Hallows’ Church, Henshaw. All are welcome.

“Lo He comes” – Reflections at Evening Prayer for the coming of Jesus, at 5.15 pm on Tuesdays starting on 20 November at All Hallows’, Henshaw.

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Bishop Ridley, Martyr

October 16 is an auspicious date for a famous local martyr, Bishop Ridley, as it is the anniversary of the day on which he and Hugh Latimer were burnt at the stake in Oxford in 1555.

Ridley came from a prominent family in [Tynedale](#), growing up in [Unthank Hall](#) and Willimoteswick. He completed his education at the Sorbonne in Paris. When he returned to England, there was significant debate about the [Pope's](#) supremacy.

After Queen Mary ascended the throne of England in 1553, she had many people put to death (often by fire) for their religious convictions. To history she became known as "Bloody Mary". She wanted to bring England back to the Roman Catholic Church. Ridley and Latimer were two of the men trying to move the English church in the direction of a more Bible-based Christianity. Mary ordered the arrest of Bishops Ridley and Latimer. They were taken to Oxford in September 1555 and questioned by the Lord's Commissioners. Ridley said he could not honour the pope in Rome as the papacy was seeking its own glory, not the glory of God. These opinions were deeply offensive to Roman Catholic theologians. Both Ridley and Latimer were ordered to be burned at the stake.

At the stake, Ridley's brother had brought some gunpowder for the men to place around their necks so death could come more quickly, but Ridley still suffered greatly. As the flames quickly rose, Latimer encouraged Ridley, "Be of good comfort, Mr. Ridley, and play the man! We shall this day light such a candle, by God's grace, in England, as I trust shall never be put out".

They are commemorated in Oxford by a Martyrs' monument. They have long been regarded as a most inspiring example of Christian faith and fortitude. The faith they once died for can now be freely practiced.

Letter from the Vicar – The Reverend Dr Benjamin Carter

One of the key roles the Church of England plays in all our communities is in leading Christenings, Weddings, and Funerals, or, as they are known by the clergy shorthand: hatch, match, and dispatch. It is one of the great privileges of my role that I am able to be with families at these sharp points of life – either in joy or despair – to support them and let them know of God’s care for them at this time in their lives.

Inevitably as the form of our national life changes, the calls on the Church change in this ministry. It is no longer the case that the Church of England has the sole preserve for leading and guiding these ministries, and nor should it be. But in a market place of civil ceremonies the role of the Church differs in two key ways. The first is that as the Church Established by Law, you have the right, within reason, to have a Christening, Wedding, or Funeral in your Parish Church. The second is that, although we rejoice in being asked to be part of these individual events, we are more interested in what happens after. As I say, half in jest, to wedding couples: “of all the people involved in your wedding – the photographer, venue, etc – we are the only people more interested in your marriage than we are in your wedding!”

The Church’s ministry in Christening, Weddings, and Funerals is only a working out of our call to support all parts of life, from hatch to dispatch, and we are working hard to continue to connect with those who come to us for these Church Services in ways that are appropriate for them. So, when parents approach us about a Christening, we always invite them to a family friendly service so that their initial contact with the Church is not on the phone but in and amongst the family of the Church. And during this month I will be writing to all the families we have encountered through funeral ministry in the last two years to invite them to an All Souls’ Day Service on Sunday 4 November. There we will pray for all those who mourn, and all those who have died, and who we miss so very much. In this, as in all things, we seek to serve this community in every way we can, knowing that God’s call on us to serve continues beyond the threshold of the Church door.

Your Vicar, Benjamin

CHURCH NEWS

Our New Logo

You may have noticed a number of our communications now have our new logo on them, allied to our identifying name 'Parishes by the Wall'. We are



hoping that this eye-catching design will readily identify all that we publish and circulate, and help to strengthen our identity. The key element is a cross set into the Wall – here it is in black and white.

Mothers' Union

There will be a coffee morning on **Saturday 6 October** in Bardon Mill Village Hall from 10-12 midday. Stalls will include nearly new clothing, home produce, tombola, books & CDs and, of course, the raffle. Entrance fee £1.50.

Friday 12 October Diocesan Council at 7 pm Kingston Park.

Wednesday 24 October Members' meeting and Holy Communion with the Rev'd Dr John Harrison at the Methodist Chapel, Haydon Bridge.

Feedback from the Patronal Visit

"Grill a Bishop" was only one of a range of activities in our parishes over the weekend of 7-9 September. All the local schools were visited and then the Bishop of Durham came to the Village Shop in Bardon Mill, and responded to a wide range of issues and questions, starting with anti-Semitism and radicalisation. Some of us met the Bishop again at the Quiz Night in the General Havelock – although it was interesting to note that the winning team were on the only table not visited by the Bishop during the quiz!! Saturday was action packed at the Sill and in God's Tent at Steel Rigg, with a visit from Archbishop Sentamu and lots of activities for children. With the help of Mothers' Union, they transformed many scraps of coloured paper into a most striking St Cuthbert banner, which formed a centrepiece of the celebration service in Haydon Bridge on Sunday morning. The children had also made kites, and there was a joyous moment during the service when they ran at top speed around the church with their kites.



Next pitching 21 October - venue to be confirmed.

Gill's Challenge

As you may know, our Curate Gill Alexander is undertaking three challenges to raise funds for the churches in the Benefice. Having already completed the cycling and the Tour de Mont Blanc, Gill will soon tackle the third challenge, a 50 mile stretch of St Oswald's Way. She has now reached 75% of her fundraising target. If you would like to sponsor Gill and push her towards 100%, you can either hand your donation to a churchwarden or find her just giving page, justgiving.com/crowdfunding/gill-alexander.

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ROTAS				
October	Church	Warden	Sidesmen	Flowers
7 October	Henshaw	A Storrie	L Slater/ D McKenna	P Storey/ N Harding/ J Walters
14 October	Beltingham	A Galbraith	Y Hewitt/ H Rowlands	F Wancke/ L Slater/ C Wancke
21 October	Beltingham	W Green	S Walker/ J Galbraith	“
4 November	Henshaw	C Adams	P Collingwood/ D Storrie/ D Palmer	L Scott/ M Wilkinson

VILLAGE NEWS

Haltwhistle Gardening Club

Monday 8 October – talk by Rachel Ryver ‘Cragside’ at 7.30 pm, Comrades Club – all welcome. Pay at the door.

South Tyne Wildlife Group

Tuesday 9 October – Lesley Silvera of Groundwork North East. ‘Miners Memorial Meadows’ (a brief history of north-east miners tunnelling at home and on the Western Front in WW1 and the meadows created in their memory). Comrades Club 7.30 pm - £3 – all welcome.

Women’s Institute

Wednesday 10 October at 7 pm in the Village Hall - Pauline Edwards ‘Ready Steady Knit’; hostesses Doreen Palmer and Sue McEwan; competition: a knitted scarf; stall b&b wool, yarn and haberdashery.

Highlights Rural Touring Scheme

Wednesday 17 October 1.15 pm at Bardon Mill Village Hall – Eco Drama presents ‘The Worm’, a fun-filled friendly theatre experience for ages 3-7 and families. **Thursday 18 October** at 7.30 pm – A Thousand Doorways (a journey of intrigue to record the last Kurdish storytellers).

Tickets from Geeta on 344424 or at the door.

South Tyne Cinema Circuit at the General Havelock

Film & Food Night from 7 pm on **Wednesday 31 October (£8.50 for film and meal)**. Call Joanna on 684376 for information about the film.

DATE FOR THE DIARY

Cafe Scientifique - Tuesday 6 November - 7-9 pm BM Village Hall

Our final event of the year is entitled Tales of the Ecosystem with Malcolm Green on Tuesday 6th November, 7-9pm. His talk will explore how storytelling helps us make sense of our environment and experiences and helps us understand and engage with nature. This will be told through scientific narrative, folklore and story. **Tickets are £5 as usual including tea/coffee and cake.** Tickets can be purchased now by copying and pasting this link www.ticketsource.co.uk/date/546687. As previously, a few tickets will be available at the village shop for those who don't have internet access.

Tynedale Hospice at Home is advertising for new volunteers. They are looking for retail volunteers, fundraising volunteers and hospital transport drivers. If you are interested, then call Sam Horne on 01434 611913 or email him on sam@tynedalehospice.com

West Northumberland Food Bank

Don't forget that we have a box in the porch at Henshaw Church and in the Village Shop for donations of non-perishable foodstuffs for the Food Bank. This organisation, set up in 2013, has 80 local volunteers who distribute food and help people with debt and benefit problems.

The People's Kitchen – Harvest Festival Gifts

For over 30 years this organisation has been supporting those who need help in Newcastle. It has grown from its humble beginnings under the railway arches at Dean Street but its philosophy remains the same. They continue to offer clothes, food, warm surroundings and a welcome to anyone who needs their help. Each year our local churches donate the non-perishable foodstuffs from the harvest service. People's Kitchen is always grateful for financial gifts. If you would like to support them, their address is The Alison Centre, 56 Bath Lane, Newcastle upon Tyne NE4 5SQ.

From our Newsletter archive

In the Parish Newsletter for October 1996, there was a note expressing thanks to John and Barbara Chapman for their gift of two brass candlesticks to replace the pair stolen from St Cuthbert's Beltingham some time previously. John Chapman was the churchwarden at that time.

Bowes Lyon Trust – The Trust, created by the will of the Hon Francis Bowes Lyon in 1948, is administered by Trustees (currently the Vicar and the Churchwardens). The Trust can make small grants to people in the Parish on grounds of hardship. If you know anyone who could benefit from such a grant, please ring Nigel Collingwood, secretary, 344119. All applications are treated in confidence.

Hour changes – Don't forget that the hour changes overnight 27/28 October.

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