

Face coverings are **mandatory** in our
services unless medically exempt.

Keeping in touch

<https://www.stcuthbertsonline.com>

Rev John and the team are sharing prayer and reflection each
day on Facebook & Instagram.

<https://www.instagram.com/stcuthbertschurch/?hl=en>

A short "Service of the Word" will be available each
Sunday

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCN_BCgo2_s0pOK75EPO-5N9Q

St. Cuthbert's Parish Church, like most other
churches, relies on regular donations from our
parishioners. Many people give us regular
support via bank standing orders or direct
debits via the Parish Giving Scheme. If you
would like to start giving to us on a regular
basis, please contact our treasurer,
Mike Dixon - phone 07758 813421,
email: treasurer@stcuthbertsonline.com
If you want to give a one-off donation you can
do so at www.give.net/20305167
Thank you for all your support!

Church contacts: www.stcuthbertsonline.com

Vicar: Rev John McDermott - 713327

Churchwardens: Lesley Young - 712324

Mack Hetherington - 712154

*Please remember in your prayers our friends &
neighbours who live in Marine Road, Links Road
& Island View.*

Coming Soon...

The return of the **Julian Group** at Hauxley Chapel.

Thursday 3rd February at 11:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

Contact Claire Mackarill (01665 798934) or

Christine Sindall (01665 572287)

& Café Church at Coquet Tea Rooms.

Sunday 6th February at 4:00 p.m.

Contact penny@stcuthbertsonline.com

January magazines are available for collection in church.
Volunteers for the Coffee and Tea Rota always welcome –
see notice board!

Services and Diary Dates at St Cuthbert's

Sunday 23rd January. Third Sunday of Epiphany.

9:30 a.m. Parish Communion.

11:00 a.m. Week of prayer for Christian Unity service.

with Rev. Alison Mills at **Trinity Methodist Church.**

*There will be **no coffee** served before the service.*

Saturday 29th January.

1:30 p.m. start. Table Top Event.

Parish Hall, Dovecote Street. (Indoors!)



**Community Table Top Event in the Parish Hall
on Saturday January 29th
at 1:30 pm.**

*The pandemic has made fundraising for all community
organisations particularly challenging.*

*Our aim is to support local groups and charities by
inviting them to participate. Access to stalls will be*

*from 12:30 p.m. If you would like to take part please
contact Penny – penny@stcuthbertsonline.com*

*Stalls will be £10 per stall. Refreshments will be
available. Please pass this information on to any
community group who would be interested.*

Priority given to early bookings.

Sunday 30th January.

9:30 a.m. Parish Communion.

Readers & Intercessors

January 23rd – Third Sunday of Epiphany.

Reader: Meg Dixon. **Intercessor:** Sarah Mitchell.

Psalm 19: 1 – 6. 1 Corinthians 12: 12 – 31a.

Luke 4: 14 – 21.

**January 30th – Presentation of Christ in the Temple.
Candlemas.**

Reader: Mike Dixon. **Intercessor:** Hugh Williams.

Psalm 24: (1 – 6), 7 – end. Hebrews 2: 14 – end.

Luke 2: 22 – 40.

This week's readings.

Monday 24 th January	Tuesday 25 th January	Wednesday 26 th January	Thursday 27 th January	Friday 28 th January	Saturday 29 th January
2 Samuel 5: 1 – 7, 10. Psalm 89: 19 – 27. Mark 3: 22 – 30.	Jeremiah 1: 4 – 10. Psalm 67. Acts 9: 1 – 22. Matthew 19: 27 – end.	2 Samuel 7: 4 – 17. Psalm 100. Mark 4: 1 – 20.	2 Samuel 7: 18 – 19, 24 – end. Psalm 132: 1 – 5, 11 – 15. Mark 4: 21 – 25.	2 Samuel 11: 1 – 10, 13 – 17. Psalm 51: 1 – 6, 9. Mark 4: 26 – 34.	2 Samuel 12: 1 – 7, 10 – 17. Psalm 51: 11 – 16. Mark 4: 35 – end.

COLLECT

Almighty God,
whose Son revealed in signs and
miracles
the wonder of your saving presence:
renew your people with your heavenly
grace,
and in all our weakness
sustain us by your mighty power;
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.

FIRST READING

Nehemiah 8:1-3. 5-6. 8-10

A reading from the book of Nehemiah.

All the people gathered together
into the square before the Water
Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to
bring the book of the law of Moses,
which the LORD had given to Israel.
Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought
the law before the assembly, both
men and women and all who could
hear with understanding. This was on
the first day of the seventh month. He
read from it facing the square before
the Water Gate from early morning
until midday, in the presence of the
men and the women and those who
could understand; and the ears of all
the people were attentive to the book
of the law. And Ezra opened the book
in the sight of all the people, for he
was standing above all the people;
and when he opened it, all the people
stood up. Then Ezra blessed the LORD,
the great God and all the people
answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up
their hands. Then they bowed their
heads and worshipped the LORD with
their faces to the ground. So they read
from the book, from the law of God,
with interpretation. They gave the
sense, so that the people understood
the reading. And Nehemiah, who was
the governor, and Ezra the priest and
scribe, and the Levites who taught the
people said to all the people, "This day
is holy to the LORD your God; do not
mourn or weep." For all the people
wept when they heard the words of
the law. Then he said to them, "Go
your way, eat the fat and drink sweet
wine and send portions of them to
those for whom nothing is prepared,
for this day is holy to our LORD; and do
not be grieved, for the joy of the LORD
is your strength."

PSALM Psalm 19:1-6

R *Your words are spirit, Lord, and they
are life.*

Or

R *The statutes of the Lord are just and
rejoice the heart.*

The heavens declare the glory of God,
and the firmament shows his
handiwork.

One day tells its tale to another,
and one night imparts knowledge to
another.

Although they have no words or
language,
and their voices are not heard,
Their sound has gone out into all lands,
and their message to the ends of the
world. **R**

In the deep has he set a pavilion for the
sun;

it comes forth like a bridegroom out of
his chamber;

it rejoices like a champion to run its
course.

It goes forth from the uttermost edge
of the heavens

and runs about to the end of it again;
nothing is hidden from its burning
heat. **R**

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

*A reading from the first letter of Paul
to the Corinthians.*

Just as the body is one and has many
members, and all the members of the
body, though many, are one body, so
it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit
we were all baptised into one body –
Jews or Greeks, slaves or free – and we
were all made to drink of one Spirit.
Indeed, the body does not consist of
one member but of many. If the foot
would say, "Because I am not a hand, I
do not belong to the body," that would
not make it any less a part of the body.
And if the ear would say, "Because
I am not an eye, I do not belong to
the body," that would not make it any
less a part of the body. If the whole
body were an eye, where would the
hearing be? If the whole body were
hearing, where would the sense of
smell be? But as it is, God arranged
the members in the body, each one of
them, as he chose. If all were a single
member, where would the body be? As
it is, there are many members, yet one
body. The eye cannot say to the hand,
"I have no need of you," nor again the
head to the feet, "I have no need of
you." On the contrary, the members of
the body that seem to be weaker are
indispensable, and those members of
the body that we think less honourable
we clothe with greater honour, and
our less respectable members are

treated with greater respect; whereas
our more respectable members do not
need this. But God has so arranged
the body, giving the greater honour to
the inferior member, that there may be
no dissension within the body, but the
members may have the same care for
one another. If one member suffers, all
suffer together with it; if one member
is honoured, all rejoice together with
it. Now you are the body of Christ and
individually members of it. And God has
appointed in the church first apostles,
second prophets, third teachers; then
deeds of power, then gifts of healing,
forms of assistance, forms of leadership,
various kinds of tongues. Are all
apostles? Are all prophets? Are all
teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all
possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in
tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for
the greater gifts.

GOSPEL Luke 4:14-21

*Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus
Christ according to Luke.*

Jesus, filled with the power of the
Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report
about him spread through all the
surrounding country. He began to teach
in their synagogues and was praised by
everyone. When he came to Nazareth,
where he had been brought up, he
went to the synagogue on the sabbath
day, as was his custom. He stood up
to read, and the scroll of the prophet
Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled
the scroll and found the place where
it was written: "The Spirit of the Lord
is upon me, because he has anointed
me to bring good news to the poor. He
has sent me to proclaim release to the
captives and recovery of sight to the
blind, to let the oppressed go free, to
proclaim the year of the Lord's favour."
And he rolled up the scroll, gave it
back to the attendant, and sat down.
The eyes of all in the synagogue were
fixed on him. Then he began to say to
them, "Today this scripture has been
fulfilled in your hearing."

POST COMMUNION

Almighty Father,
whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ
is the light of the world:
may your people,
illuminated by your word and sacraments,
shine with the radiance of his glory,
that he may be known, worshipped,
and obeyed to the ends of the earth;
for he is alive and reigns, now and
for ever.

Prayers for Newsletter 23rd January 2022

O Christ, you lived as an ordinary man
not in style but simply,
yet still you caused uproar, and questions everywhere;
you drew the expectations of hungry crowds,
and brought buried conflicts to the light.

May we,
who are sometimes swayed by the crowd's approval,
and who often avoid conflict
for fear of its cost to us,
hold fast to the gospel of peace and justice
and follow faithfully in your way of compassion and solidarity
with those who are poor and excluded,
wherever it may lead us.
Amen.

Quietly Prophetic

In a cynical and despairing world, O God,
give us a quietly prophetic voice
to proclaim your hope.

In a violent and angry world, O God,
give us a quietly prophetic voice
to proclaim your peace.

In a dismissive and disinterested world, O God,
give us a quietly prophetic voice
to proclaim your compassion.

In a lonely and inhospitable world, O God,
give us a quietly prophetic voice
to proclaim your love.

In a grieving and weeping world, O God,
give us a quietly prophetic voice
to proclaim your joy.

May we be so captivated by your hope, O God,
that we cannot help but to whisper,
to sing, and to enact,
the message of your reign
which is always coming into our world;
And may our quietly prophetic lives,
be channels of your restoring grace
wherever we may go.
Amen.

Shared by Sarah Mitchell.