

#### **Advent Sunday**

#### 1<sup>st</sup> December 2024

# Welcome to St Andrew's

If you are a visitor or a newcomer, please introduce yourself. Before worship, the offering plate, Gift Aid envelopes and the Card Reader are opposite the entrance. If you would like a gluten free wafer, please let the welcomer know. We serve tea and coffee in the Church after the 10.00am service, it's a good time to get to know people.

# **Today's Services:**

9.00am Holy Communion at Halton

**10.00am** Parish Communion

Hymn: 38 Hark! A thrilling voice

**Collect:** Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility; that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

#### **First Reading**

#### 1 Thessalonians 3:9-end

<sup>9</sup> How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? <sup>10</sup> Night and day we pray most

earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith. <sup>11</sup> Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. <sup>12</sup> And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. <sup>13</sup> And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

#### Hymn: 37 Hark! What a sound

# Gospel:

# Luke 21:25-36

<sup>25</sup> "There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. <sup>26</sup> People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. <sup>27</sup> Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a cloud' with power and great glory. <sup>28</sup> Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near." <sup>29</sup> Then he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees; <sup>30</sup> as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. <sup>31</sup>So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. <sup>32</sup> Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. <sup>33</sup> Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. <sup>34</sup> "Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, <sup>35</sup> like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. <sup>36</sup>Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place and to stand before the Son of Man."

# Sermon: Canon David Kennedy

Hymns:	39	Hills of the north
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- 825 Word of God, come down
- 41 Lo! He comes
- **3.00pm** Community Carols among the trees



#### WORSHIP ON SUNDAY AFTERNOON / EVENING:

8 <sup>th</sup> December	4.00pm	Messy Church	
	4.00pm	Charlotte Straker Service of Light	
	4.00pm	Newton Carol Service	
	6.00pm	Advent Procession	
15 <sup>th</sup> December	4.00pm	River at Christmas	
22 <sup>nd</sup> December	6.30pm	Carols for all in the Churchyard	

**ADVENT PROCESSION: 6.00pm on Sunday 8<sup>sh</sup> December.** A dramatic service from darkness to light with Advent readings, hymns and anthems. We begin in pitch darkness, gradually the church fills with light and hope. Do come along to this atmospheric service.

**ROTAS:** The rota for December and January will be available soon. If you are not able to carry out duties on the day allocated, please arrange a swop and let the office know. The rota for the Christmas services is available on the sloping noticeboard, please sign up if you are available to help at any of these services.

**TEA & CHAT:** We meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays of the month in the Community Hub. Please pass on this information to anyone you know who might like conversation and cake. Tickets are available for the Christmas Tea which will be held on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December.

There will be no charge, but tickets are required so we know how many people to cater for.

**BAUBLES AND MUGS:** These have now arrived. They will be available for collection during the Tree Festival. If you have not already paid then please do so via bank transfer: Lloyds Bank, PCC of Corbridge, Account no: 00176162, Sort Code: 30 94 19.

# CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November to Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December.

# **Opening Times**

Saturday	30 <sup>th</sup> November	9.30am to 6.00pm	
Sunday	1 <sup>st</sup> December	11.30am to 5.00pm	
Monday	2 <sup>nd</sup> December	9.30am to 8.00pm	
Tuesday	3 <sup>rd</sup> December	9.30am to 4.30pm	

Refreshments will be served between 10.00am and 4.00pm.

Community carol singing, and Christmas Music will take place during the festival.

Thank you to all those who have volunteered to help. There are still some spaces on the rota!

**CORBRIDGE COMMUNITY HUB POP-UP SHOP:** 11.00am to 4.00pm on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November. Please do go to Corbridge Community Pop-Up Shop in aid of Tynedale Hospice at Home. The Youth Initiative have a fete in the Parish Hall from 10.00am to 2.00pm.

**CORBRIDGE LATE NIGHT SHOPPING:** Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December until 8.00pm.





'By prayer and petition with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God'

Sunday	David our Vicar, his vision and leadership and Janet his wife. The Anglican Communion. The Archbishops of Canterbury and York. Halton and Aydon.
Monday	Linda our Curate Diocese of Newcastle, Helen-Ann, Bishop of Newcastle and Mark, Bishop of Berwick. Newton and Thornbrough.
Tuesday	Phil our Associate Priest. Parishes in Corbridge Deanery and the Area Dean. Farnley, Ladycutter Lane, Fellside.
Wednesday	Claire our Associate Priest. Ecumenical outreach to other denominations. Dilston and Temperley Grange, Prospect Hill.
Thursday	The retired clergy - Jack Hay, Jenny Kinnaird, Barbara McNamara, Michael Thompson, Bryan Topping and their ministry in Corbridge. Corbridge Methodist Church. Their congregation and their minister – Revd Marie Beard. The Stanners, Station Road, Lion Court. Stagshaw Road, Manor Park, Leazes Terrace, Leazes Lane.

- Friday Churchwardens David Mcewan and Peter Cook. The schools in our parish – Corbridge First School, Corbridge Middle School, Mowden Hall School. Bridge End, Main Street.
- Saturday Those who serve on Deanery Synod and the PCC. Corbridge Parish Council and Northumberland County Council, their officers and staff. Newcastle Road, Spoutwell Lane, Appletree Rise.

We pray for the sick, especially Carolyn Holmes, Martha Coan, Evelyn Charlton, Luna Medina Craig, Mark Stephenson, Joyce Walker, David Andrews, Bobbie Middleton, Elliott Ward, Gail Williams, John Clark, Mavis Hamer, Carol Knott and Rosemary Haynes.

We pray for the family and friends of Margaret Doubleday, Joanne Watson, Christopher Cuthbert, Philip Williams, and Roger Searle.

Years Mind: Diane Bell

# The St Andrew's 1350th Prayer.

God of the ages, we praise you for your faithfulness to us over 1350 years here in Corbridge. As we rejoice in our foundation by St Wilfrid, and are inspired by your holy apostle St Andrew, make us as a city set on a hill, whose light cannot be hidden, the light of your glory in the face of Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

**MARGARET DOUBLEDAY**: A Thanksgiving Service at St Andrew's for Margaret's life will be held on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December at 2.00pm.

**CHRISTMAS PARTY:** We have decided to postpone the party but have a get together later on next year. Therefore the Grand Draw will be drawn on **SUNDAY 15<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER** at 11.30am following the morning service.

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# **Advent Procession**

A dramatic service during which we move from the west end of the Church to the east end and from darkness to light.



# Readings and Advent Music

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December at 6.00pm

Diary		
Monday		2 <sup>nd</sup> December
9.30am	Staff Meeting	
11.00am	Charlotte Straker Service	
3.30pm	Middle School Assembly	
Tuesday		3 <sup>rd</sup> December
9.30am	First School Assembly	
1.30pm	Bridge Club in the Cottage	
Wednesday		4 <sup>th</sup> December
10.00am	Holy Communion	
11.00am	Abbeyfield Service	
Thursday		5 <sup>th</sup> December
1.30pm	Funeral – Joanne Watson	
2.45pm	Prayer Group in the Cottage	
4.00pm	Home Group	
Friday		6 <sup>th</sup> December
2.00pm	Thanksgiving Service – Margaret Doubled	ay
7.00pm	Choir Practice	
Saturday		7 <sup>th</sup> December
3.00pm	Tynedale Hospice Light Up a Light Service	e
Advent 2		8 <sup>th</sup> December
8.00am	Holy Communion	
10.00am	Parish Communion	
4.00pm	Messy Church	
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