

The Parish of Upper Coquetdale
Sharing God's Love—Growing Together—Enjoying Community

Alnham,
Alwinton,
Hepple,
Holystone,
Rothbury,
Thropton

Sunday 5th May - Easter 6

9am: Christ Church Hepple 10.30am: St Michael & All Angels, Alnham
10.30am All Saints, Rothbury 10.30am St Michael & All Angels, Alwinton

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Please contact Gail with any safeguarding concerns.

The Rector: Position currently in vacancy

Associate Priest : Rev'd. John Storey—school holidays only.

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9am Christ Church, Hepple— Rev'd Christine Purnell/ David Carey

10.30am All Saints Rothbury - Morning Prayer, David Carey

10.30am St Michael & All Angels, Alnham - Rev'd Christine Purnell

10.30am St Michael & All Angels Alwinton - Canon Bob Burston/John Farndale

5pm Deanery Evensong at Acklington Parish Church

Tuesday 7th May 2—3pm Bible Study in Parish Rooms

Wednesday 8th May 9.30am All Saints' Church, Rothbury - David Carey

Thursday 9th May 6.30pm Ascension Day Lady's Well Holystone, Canon Bob Burston

Thursday 9th May 7pm —Ascension Day Service at Brinkburn Priory with Bishop Helen-Ann and Rev'd Rich Townend

Sunday 12th May—Easter 7 (Sunday after Ascension Day)

9am St Andrew's Thropton - Rev'd Christine Purnell

10.30am All Saint's Rothbury - Rev'd Christine Purnell

10.30am St Mary the Virgin, Holystone Rev'd Dianne Whittaker

5.30pm All Saint's Rothbury Evening Prayer—David Carey

Wed 15th May 9.30am All Saint's, Rothbury - Rev'd Dr Rosie Stacey

Sunday 19th May—Pentecost

9am Christ Church, Hepple - Rev'd Dr Ann Peters

10.30am All Saint's, Rothbury, Rev'd Dianne Whittaker

10.30am St Michael & All Angels, Alwinton Canon Bob Burston

Wednesday 22nd May 9.30am All Saints Rothbury Rev'd John Wylam

To discuss Weddings or Funerals, please contact the numbers below

For all other enquiries please contact David Carey who will put you in touch with the relevant Churchwarden.

David Carey: **01669 621635**

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Ascension Day Service at Brinkburn Priory

The Ascension Day Eucharist will be held on Thursday 9th May in Brinkburn Priory at 7pm.

This year's service will be with Bishop Helen-Ann, and the priest for Longframlington, Rev'd Rich Townend. The choir will be the Bridge Singers

Don't forget to allow time to walk down to the Priory from the car park

We are holding a 'Gladrags Sale' over the Bank Holiday Weekend 25th—27th May.

Can you help to set up on Friday?

Help with the sale on Saturday, Sunday or Monday?

Donations of nearly new clothes and accessories still gratefully received.

Contact Joan Storey **01669 640221**



Heavenly Father, We pray for a world free of litter, for clean streets and pavements, country roads and lay-bys. Change the hearts and minds of those who drop litter without a care, and those who deliberately flout the law. Help us to protect the natural world from the selfishness of the human race. Amen.

From Praying for the Earth by Rob Kelsey.
Submitted by Liz Cummings.

Our Eco Churches encourage us to: Keep peat in bogs – not in bags.

The next **Monthly Coffee Morning in All Saints Church** will be held on Saturday 11th May from 10am to 12 noon. Please try to support this event if possible by attending on the day and/or donating something for one of the stalls /Raffle/Bring and buy/ Cakes and Produce. Your help is much appreciated.

Contact Kathryn Reynolds - **01669 620784**



Bible Study

2—3pm Tuesday 7th May
in Parish Rooms - Downstairs
Please bring along your bible.

Sunday 5th May - Easter 6

Collect

God our redeemer, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his continual presence in us he may raise us to eternal joy; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

First Reading : [Acts 10 v 44 to end](#)

While Peter was speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, 'Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?' So, he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

Second Reading: [1 John 5 v1—6](#)

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome. for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

Gospel Reading: [John 15 v 9 —17](#)

Jesus said to his disciples: 'As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love: I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.'

Post Communion Prayer

God our Father, whose Son Jesus Christ gives the water of eternal life: may we thirst for you, the spring of life and source of goodness, through him who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.