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| ***LIFE***  ***IN***  ***HD***  *The prayers suggested here, in addition to the diary of intercessions, are drawn from Dean Eric Milner White’s “Procession of Passion Prayers”, (long out of print, I think), and also his “My God, my Glory”; offered in the hope that others may find them as profound as I have done over the years.*  *They seem appropriate not just for the church season but also as we pray our concerns for our troubled nation and wider world.*  *Philip Cunningham  (philipcunningham@ hotmail.com)* | **. . . communicating our own message**  **and the vision of the Diocese**  **with all in Hexham Deanery**  **Area Dean: Rev Jeremy Thompson** [**revjjt@gmail.com**](mailto:revjjt@gmail.com)  **Lay Chair: David Ratcliff**  [**r.david.ratcliff@gmail.com**](mailto:r.david.ratcliff@gmail.com) | Allen Snowdrops | |
| **HEXHAM DEANERY DIARY – APRIL 2019** | | |

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| **BIG NEWS**  **The Deanery Pilgrimage** continues after the great time we had in Alston parish last June. This year we are planning another two-day pilgrimage which will complete the first circumnavigation of the deanery churches. We are yet to finalise the route, but overall we are planning Greenhead to Warden over the two days, Friday 14 and Saturday 15 June. The walk will call at each church where there will be linked exhibitions of a Christian Aid project we are looking to support. This project works with displaced persons who are refugees in their own country, for example in Kenya, Nigeria and Iraq.  We hope that all parishes will have pilgrims who join in – it truly was great last year, walking and talking with friends and new friends. One of the highspots was the middle evening we spent in Alston, and we are hoping to do similarly in Haydon Bridge, possibly at The Sill. In order to make this happen we will need to have a fairly clear idea of numbers. Staying over is as optional; as joining the pilgrimage itself, but it does add another dimension to the event.  If you would like to know more please contact David on 01434 608882 or by email [r.david.ratcliff@gmail.com](mailto:r.david.ratcliff@gmail.com). We will need to make bookings at The Sill very quickly, especially if we have a large number. **Please spread the word! The need to book is getting nearer every day**.  **Hexhamshire Garden Trail 2019**  It’s the start of a new year and we have just started planning the garden trail in aid of St Helens for this year. The date is 23 June, a little later than previously, but with any luck we will be blessed with good weather. Fifteen generous owners have once again agreed to open their gardens for the day.  Some you may have visited before others will be completely new. As before each garden will show what can be done with their own particular plot given soil, altitude and time. Each garden has its own particular challenges to overcome, be that pests, predators or pernicious weeds and all visitors will both enjoy the garden that they see and learn from the challenges faced.  As usual there will be plant and cake stalls so gardeners please bear the trail in mind when you are tidying up your garden, dividing plants or as I did last week find a shrub that has layered itself. We would welcome any contributions to these stalls.  Any organisation is always looking for new blood and this year we would be very grateful if someone who is familiar with social media could join the team to help spread the word.  For more information or to offer your services as a garden opener or helper please contact Jenny Stirling on 01434 600509 (there is an answer phone) or [jenny@queensletch.com](mailto:jenny@queensletch.com)  **New News**  Hexham Deanery Evensong: **Sunday 7 July 6.30pm in Hexham Abbey** |

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| **Regular Events**  **Every Sunday**  9.30am  Haltwhistle Holy Cross  Sung Eucharist  10.15am  St. Cuthbert's ,Allendale  Bell Ringing    10.15am  St. Cuthbert's ,Allendale  Choir and Music Practice  11.00am  St. Cuthbert's ,Allendale  Holy Communion  11.00am  Greenhead St Cuthbert  Sung Eucharist  **Every Monday**  10.30am (Not Bank Holidays)  Haltwhistle Holy Cross  Prayers Together  2.30pm  St. Cuthbert's ,Allendale  Prayer Group  5.40pm  Hexham Abbey  Christian Meditation  **Every Tuesday**  11.00am-noon  The Old Booking Hall, Haltwhistle  Chair Yoga  £5  Phone 07773 163833  12.00  Hexham Abbey  Holy Communion  1.30pm  Samuel Kings School, Alston  Let's Cook  2.30-4.30pm  St. Cuthbert's Allendale  Friendship Group (Hall)  **Every Tuesday in term time**  1.30-4.00pm  Samuel Kings School  "Let's Cook" Community Kitchen  **Every Wednesday**  9.30am  St. Cuthbert's ,Allendale  Holy Communion  9.30am  Hexham Abbey  Holy Communion  10.15am  Hexham Abbey  Tots’ Praise    3.00p.m.  St. Cuthbert's ,Allendale  Hand Bell Group  Arnison Close    6.30pm (term time)  Hexham Abbey  Choral Evensong  7.30-9.00pm  St. Cuthbert's ,Allendale  Tower Bell Practice  **Every Thursday**  10.00am  Haltwhistle Holy Cross  Holy Communion  6.30pm (term time)  Hexham Abbey  Choral Evensong  **Every Friday**  10.30am-12.30pm  Cairns Hall, Knarsdale  Brain Body Workout  £7 per session  07981 101651  Every Friday  9.00pm  St John, Garrigill  Compline  **Last Saturday in month**  10.00-11.30am  St. Cuthbert's Allendale  Coffee Morning (Hall)  **Monday 1  APPROACH TO THE CROSS** O Lord Christ, Lamb of God, Lord of Lords, call us who are called to be saints, along the way of thy Cross: draw us, who would draw nearer to our King, to the foot of thy Cross: cleanse us, who are not worthy to approach with the pardon of they Cross: arm us, for the battles of holiness, by the might of thy Cross: and seal us in the kingdom of thy glory among the servants of thy Cross, O crucified Lord; who with the Father and the Holy Ghost livest and reignest one God almighty, eternal, world without end.The Deanery Synod: Area Dean: Revd. Jeremy Thompson; Lay Chair: David Ratcliff, Deanery Development Group, Deanery Synod reps.  As we draw nearer to Easter can we pray daily for all communicants – faithful, lapsed, casual – that all may hear anew this Eastertide Christ’s command to “Do this” and may we know Him in the breaking of the bread?  2.15pm  Haltwhistle Holy Cross  Mothers Union  7.30pm  The Rectory, Allendale  Lent Group  **Tuesday 2**  All clergy in our Deanery – both in post and retired  2.00pm  Barl End, Allendale  Lent Group  **Wednesday 3**  Readers and Lay Ministers in our Deanery  11.30am  Haltwhistle Holy Cross  Frugal Lunch for Christian Aid  **Thursday 4** Church Wardens and PCC members  9.15am  Haltwhistle Holy Cross  Lent Stations of the Cross  2.30pm  6 Ropehaugh, Allendale  Lent Group  **Friday 5** **ALLENDALE, St Cuthbert:** Revd Jonathan Russell; Church Wardens: Jan Simmonds, Sandie Wilson  **Saturday 6**  **ALSTON, St Augustine**: Revd Mark Nash-Williams; Church Wardens: Elizabeth Walton, Peter Smith  10.00am  Robin Wood  activity day for refugee families  2.00pm  Allendale, St Cuthbert  Baptism  **Sunday 7 LENT 5 PASSIONTIDE** **THE WISDOM OF THE CROSS** O God, our salvation and truth, grant that we thy children, rejecting the proud wisdoms of the world , may betake ourselves to the Cross of thy dear Son, to walk by its way, to repose in its shadow, to venerate its mercy, and to embrace its scorn: through the same Jesus Christ Our lord.  11.00am  Haydon Bridge St Cuthbert  Parish Eucharist with Storybook Church  6.30pm  Kirkhaugh Holy Paraclete  BCP Evensong | **Monday 8**  **BELTINGHAM, St Cuthbert :** Revd. Benjamin Carter; Church Wardens: Anne Galbraith, Adrian Storrie: Henshaw CE Primary School  7.30pm  The Rectory, Allendale  Lent Group  **Tuesday 9**  **FOURSTONES, St Aidan:** Revd. Jeremy Thompson ; Reader: Pam Nobbs; Church Warden : Caro Dickinson  For our Archbishops and Archbishops Council  2.00pm  Barl End, Allendale  Lent Group  **Wednesday 10**  **GARRIGILL, St John:** Revd Mark Nash-Williams; Church  Wardens: Alison Clapp  **Thursday 11**  **GREENHEAD, St Cuthbert:** Church Wardens: Elsie Dixon, Jude Clark; Greenhead CE Primary School  9.15am  Haltwhistle Holy Cross  Lent Stations of the Cross  2.30pm  6 Ropehaugh, Allendale  Lent Group  3.30pm  Haydon Bridge Methodist Church  Messy Church  **Friday 12**  **HALTWHISTLE, Holy Cross:** Sheila Williams; Church Wardens Mary Alderson, Stephanie Wigham  11.00am  Alston Parsonage  Alston Moor Churches Green Team  **Saturday 13**  **HAYDON BRIDGE, St Cuthbert** Revd. Benjamin Carter; Church Wardens: David Thornhill, Gillian Valentine  9.30am  Haltwhistle Methodist Church  Coffee Morning for Holy Cross  10.00am  Alston Masonic Hall  St Augustine's Coffee Morning  2.00pm  Allendale, St Cuthbert  Baptism  **Sunday 14**  **PALM SUNDAY HOLY WEEK** **THE OBEDIENCE OF THE CROSS** O Lord Jesus Christ, who though thou wert Son of God most high, didst chose to learn obedience through sufferings, even unto death: Give us grace to do the will of the Father with an obedience like thine, resolute and tranquil, instant and complete; who now livest and reignest in the glory of the eternal Trinity, God for ever and ever.  10.00am  Henshaw All Hallows  Celebration Service  11.00am  St John, Garrigill  Palm Sunday Procession and Eucharist  5.00pm  God's Tent  Venue t.b.a.  **Monday 15**  **HENSHAW, All Hallows :** Revd. Benjamin Carter; Church Wardens: Anne Galbraith, Adrian Storrie  7.30pm  The Rectory, Allendale  Lent Group  **Holy Week begins 15 April**  Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday of Holy Week 6.30pm  St. John Lee  Address followed by Compline  Led by Rev'd Chris Simmons  **Tuesday 16**  **HEXHAM, Hexham Abbey** Revd. Canon Dagmar Winter; Church Wardens: Steph Bingham, Richard Snow, Simon Caudwell, Rachael Haywood Smith  **Wednesday 17**  **KIRKHAUGH, Holy Paraclete**: Revd Mark Nash-Williams; Church Warden: Richard Graham  9.30am  Allendale, St Cuthbert  Holy Communion  11.30am  Haltwhistle Holy Cross  Frugal Lunch for Christian Aid  **Thursday 18 MAUNDY THURSDAY THE LORD’S SUPPER** Lord, this is thy feast prepared by thy longing, spread at thy command, attended at thine invitation, blessed by thine own Word, distributed by thine own hand the undying memorial of thy sacrifice upon the Cross, the full gift of thine everlasting love, and its perpetuation till the end of time. Lord, this is Bread of heaven, Bread of life, that, whoso eateth, never shall hunger more. And this the Cup of pardon, healing, gladness, strength, that whoso drinketh, thirsteth not again. So may we come, O Lord to thy Table: Lord Jesu, come to us.   As clergy, Readers and others renew their vows at the diocesan Chrism Eucharist today we pray for one another and for all those whom across the years have been prepared for Confirmation and Communion.  **KNARESDALE, St Jude:** Revd Mark Nash-Williams; Church Wardens: Irene Boyles, Carol Grieves  9.15am  Haltwhistle Holy Cross  Lent Stations of the Cross  7.00pm  Haltwhistle Holy Cross  Maundy Thursday Service  7.30pm  Allendale St Cuthbert  Maundy Thursday Service  7.30pm  St John Lee  Parish Eucharist with the washing of feet  7.30pm  St Augustine, Alston  Last Supper, Stripping of the Altars and Vigil  **Friday 19 GOOD FRIDAY EXALTATION OF THE CROSS** O Lord Jesus Christ, lifted up that all might see what it is to love: Grant us so to behold and be drawn by thy love, that with our whole strength we may love both thee and all for whom thou didst die; who now livest and reignest in the unity of the Father and the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever.  **LAMBLEY, St Mary & St Patrick**: Revd Mark Nash-Williams; Church Wardens : Margaret Pullin, George Forster  10.00am  St. John Lee  Liturgy of the Day  10.00am  Haltwhistle St Wilfirid's  Good Friday Procession of Witness to Holy Cross  10.30am  Haydon Bridge on the Old Bridge  Good Friday Act of Witness  11.00am  from Alston Quaker Meeting House  Ecumenical Procession of Witness | 12.00 noon  Haydon Bridge St Cuthbert  The First Hour  12.00 noon  Whitfield, Holy Trinity  Good Friday Meditations  2.00pm  Allendale St Cuthbert  Good Friday Meditations  2.00pm  St. Cuthbert's Greenhead  Final Hour  2.00pm  Henshaw All Hallows  The Last Hour  2.00pm  St. John Lee  An Hour at the Foot of the Cross  3.00pm  St Augustine, Alston  Seven Last Words  **Saturday 20 HOLY SATURDAY**  **THE DEPOSTITION** Lord, as thy loyal mourners lifted thy torn body from the tree, and gently swathed it for repose; so let us faithfully go forth to bind up the wounded spirit and salve the broken life; in thy dear Name, and to thy sole praise, who reignest in the glory of the eternal Trinity, world without end.  **NENTHEAD, St John**: Revd Mark Nash-Williams: Church Wardens: Madeleine Harris, David Robinson  11.00am  Henshaw All Hallows  Messy Church  8.00pm  St. John Lee  Service of Light and renewal of Baptismal Vows followed by a glass of wine in the Rectory  8.30pm  St John, Nenthead  Easter Vigil and Eucharist  **Sunday 21 EASTER DAY** **EASTER** Thou art risen, O Lord! Let the gospel trumpets speak and the news as of holy fire,  burning and flaming and inextinguishable, run to the end of the earth.  Thou art risen, O Lord! Let all creation greet the good tidings with jubilant shout; for its redemption has come, the long night is past, the Saviour lives! and rids and reigns in triumph now and unto the ages of ages.  Thou art risen, O Lord! let the quiet Altar dazzle with light; let us haste to thy Presence, wondering, incredulous for joy; and partake of thy Risen Life..  Thou art risen, my Lord and my God! Rise up, my heart, give thanks, rejoice! And do thou, O Lord, deign to enter it despite the shut doors. Show me thy hands and thy side, that it is tou thyself. send me about thy business, servant of the living King, the King of kings; and hide my life in thine for ever and ever.  6.30am  Haydon Bridge Old Church  Liturgy of Easter  9.30am  Haltwhistle Holy Cross  Easter Service  9.30 am  St Jude, Knaresdale  Eucharist  10.00am  St. Michael & AA Warden  Parish Communion (BCP)  10.00am  St. Aidan Stagshaw  Holy Communion  10.00am  St. John Lee  Parish Eucharist  11.00am  Greenhead St Cuthbert  Easter Service  11.00am  Haydon Bridge St Cuthbert  Parish Eucharist with Storybook Church  11.00am  St Augustine, Alston  Eucharist  time t.b.c.  St John, Garrigill  Messy Easter  3.00pm  Ss Mary & Patrick, Lambley  Eucharist & Baptisms  6.30pm  Holy Paraclete, Kirkhaugh  BCP Eucharist  **Monday 22**  **NINEBANKS, St Mark** : Revd Jonathan Russell; Church Wardens : Marina Wallace, Dorothy Summers  **Tuesday 23**  **ST JOHN LEE, St John of Beverley**: Revd. Jeremy Thompson : Church Wardens: Pam Nobbs, Sybil Gill, Cath Belcher  **Wednesday 24**  **WARDEN, St Michael & All Angels:** Revd. Jeremy Thompson ; Reader: Pam Nobbs; Church Wardens : Ruben Straker, Mr. Benson  **Thursday 25** For our sisters and brothers in all the other Church denominations serving in our area.  3.30pm  Allendale Trinity Methodist  Messy Church Extra  **Friday 26  WHITLEY CHAPEL, St Helen:** Revd Andrew Patterson ; Church Wardens : Barbara Parker, Jennifer Stirling; Whitley Chapel CE First School  **Saturday 27**  **WHITFIELD, Holy Trinity :** Revd Jonathan Russell; Church Warden : John Blackett-Ord; Whitfield CE Primary School  10.00 am  Knarsdale Community Hall  St Jude's Coffee Stop  2.00pm  Acomb Village Hall  Vintage Fashion Show  Tickets £12 including fizz and cake.  **Sunday 28 EASTER 2 THE EARTHQUAKE** O Lord whose wondrous cross hath shaken every earthly power, and opened the dark prisons of the dead: by its undying mercy and might release us, we beseech he, from the bonds of our death, to go forth rejoicing and free; who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God world without end.  9.30am  Haltwhistle Methodist Church  Coffee Morning for St Cuthbert's  5.00pm  Haydon Old Church  Evening Prayer for St George  5.30pm  Warden Church  A concert promoted, and played by John Green and friends entitled The Enraged Musician!: A revival of the music of Michael Christian Festing 1705 - 1752  **Monday 29 ST GEORGE** **NEWBROUGH, St Peter:** Revd. Jeremy Thompson; Reader: Pam Nobbs; Church Warden: Caro Dickinson; Newbrough CE Primary School  **Tuesday 30 ST. MARK** Pray for our **church schools** : Greenhead CE Primary School; Henshaw CE Primary School; Newbrough CE Primary School; Whitfield CE Primary School; Whitley Chapel CE First School |