

Gospel Reading Matthew 25.31-46

'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, "Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me." Then the righteous will answer him, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? 39d when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?" And the king will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me." Then he will say to those at his left hand, "You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me." Then they also will answer, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?" Then he will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me." And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.'

Post Communion

Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may by you be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

The Sick: Kate Booth, Mark Brown, Yvonne Heron, Dave Pope, Ben Dieduksman, Doreen Johnson and families, Julia Wood, Vic Middleton, David Baker, John Wilson, Dorothy McLean

R I P: Derek Martin Gales, Bill Thomas, William Edgar



TODAY: Sunday 26th November

Christ the King

No Evening Service

NEXT WEEK: Sunday 3rd December

Advent 1

8am	St James	Holy Communion
9.30am	St Mary	Family Communion
9.30am	St Aidan	Service of the Word
11.15am	St James	Simply Worship
6.00 pm	St Mary	BCP Evensong

Collect for Today

Eternal Father, whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord and King: keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Old Testament Readings for Today

Ezekiel 34.11-16,20-24

Psalm 95.1-7

New Testament Reading Ephesians 1.15-23

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

PRAYER MINISTRY is available at every service in the parish. If you would like someone to pray with you, either after Communion or at the end of the service, please approach one of the prayer team (look for their prayer team badges)

OFFICE OPENING TIMES: -

The office is open **Mon, - Friday from 9.30—**

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Morpeth. NE61 2SA **PARISH WEBSITE**

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EACH WEEK:

Monday and Tuesday MORNING PRAYER

at St James from 9am to 9.30am

Wednesday "Journey" Group meets in St James

Vestry - 7pm contact Emily Gibson 07713474443

Wednesday Home Group meets at 15 Bankside on

Wednesday 13th December at 7 pm Details from Revd
Cooper

Thursday Holy Communion- St Aidans— 9.15 am

Friday Celtic Prayer breakfast, 8am at Costa, Bridge
Street

MINISTRY TEAM—For details of the full Ministry
Team, please see 'Concord' magazine or the list at
the back of church.

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IMPORTANT NOTICE—CHANGES TO SUNDAY

SERVICES at ST AIDAN'S from DECEMBER 3rd.The

pattern of Sunday service at St Aidan's will change
from the above date as follows:

9.30 am 1st & 3rd Sundays—Service of the Word

9.30am 2nd & 4th Sundays—Communion

4.00pm 2nd & 4th Sundays—Tea Time Church

6.00pm 3rd Sunday—Healing Service

(note there is now no 4pm service on 1st & 3rd
Sundays)

AN INVITATION for MOTHERS UNION MEMBERS

We have been invited to the Catholic Women's
League Advent service at St Robert's RC Church on
SUNDAY 3rd DECEMBER at 2 pm. There will be light
refreshments after the service, too.

CHRISTMAS DAY LUNCH at St Aidan's from 12.30-4.30pm on December 25th. Names and numbers need to be in by December 15th. Numbers are limited so contact Beth or Rachel to request a place.

THE DECEMBER FEAST evening will be held in St Aidan's on Friday December 15th from 7.00pm—9.30pm. Eat, meet, pray, worship and learn together. Sign up sheets in all the churches.

MORPETH CHAPLAINCY TEAM

The Christmas meeting will be held on **FRIDAY 1st December in St Aidan's at 7pm**. Please bring some Christmas nibbles to share. Val Cowan is going to lead a session on Christian listening. Everyone is welcome..

MISSION & SOCIAL TEAM. The next **Mission & Social team meeting is at the Rectory on Monday 27th at 6pm**. All welcome, especially men as Simon is somewhat outnumbered. Arranging events and choosing charities for 2018. Susan Wallis

THE LMDT IS CALLING ALL BAKERS! Please could you make a tray of shortbread for Sunday December 10th? We plan to give central Morpeth businesses a Christmas card and a gift bag of shortbread from the parish. **Please bring your shortbread to church on Sunday 10th December** or call Kathryn Brown to arrange collection on 07914394919



The next meeting of the group will be held on **MONDAY 6th DECEMBER at 10.30am in the Chantry Coffee shop**. Everyone is welcome. Please come along and enjoy a morning get together. Details from Gena Fleming on 515741.

THE ROTARY TREE of LIGHT was launched on November 18th in Sanderson Arcade. Money raised from donations is to be shared between Wansbeck Food Bank, Cleasewell Hill Special School; and the Alzheimer's Society. Anyone wishing to donate can pick up a leaflet from the back of church or speak to Alan Clark on 01670 517536

CARER SUPPORT GROUP—First Aid Training in St Aidan's on Wed 29th November 1.30-3pm. If you're a carer why not come along for coffee, cake, a chat and this month, some first aid training from the Red Cross? Contact Fliss or Vivienne Sommerville for more information.

Wednesday Home Group meets at 15 Bankside on **Wednesday 13th December at 7 pm** Details from Revd Cooper