

## 14<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> September 2025 TRINITY 13 PROPER 19 NEWSLETTER

"Be still and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted over the earth." (Psalm 46:10)

Dear friends,

**More breaking news:** Last week we learnt that Sarah Fells has been admitted into the 'Elizabeth Pathway' to discern and train for Ordained Ministry. I am mighty thankful that she will continue to minister in our parishes throughout the 2 years of her training. This week, I am able to introduce you to **Peter Simon Craig, who will train with us on his 2<sup>nd</sup> year of Licensed Lay Ministry course.** Peter, whose home church is St Mark's, Darlington, comes to us as his church has been (and will continue for some time) in interregnum without sufficient opportunity for Peter to learn in reflective practice. A former joiner and Quality and Despatch Manager with Amdega (now closed), Peter is a bus driver since leaving that business now semi-retired. Peter is also a mental health and hospice chaplain, and is married to Pam. Peter says: '*I have been fortunate to have always had a relationship with God and realised a couple of years ago that God was calling me to Lay Ministry*'. He begins with us this Sunday, joining me at Winston and Ingleton, and will be introduced to Staindrop and Gainford on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> October. Especially called to Pastoral Care ministry with experience of conducting Communion by extension, we look forward to our mutual blessings. Welcome Peter!



**Our Parishes are being prayed for across Durham Diocese this week.** On 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> September, the Diocesan Prayer Calendar invites the Cathedral, churches, and ministers, to pray for us by name.



**GATHER journeys up the dale to EGGLESTON: Come along on PILGRIMAGE on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> September.** The landscape and views of Upper Teesdale are breathtaking and GATHER Leaders Sheila and Tom will lead reflections and encourage pauses and prayer along the way. Get in touch with Sheila for information and to register for the day: [info@gatherchurchteesdale.com](mailto:info@gatherchurchteesdale.com)

**Even as the world's disorder and conflicts persist, we must not grow weary in praying for peace.** As I write, Russia's militant drones have encroached into Polish airspace and Israel has bombed Dohar in Qatar and Sanaa in Yemen. I am dismayed by these flagrant acts of arrogant aggression, and the continued suffering of innocent people. The Psalmist reminds us of God's presence. '*He makes wars to cease throughout the earth; He breaks the bow and shatters the spear; He burns the shields in the fire.*' "Be still and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted over the earth." (Psalm 46:9-10) May God give us true resolve in prayer.

### 2 DATES FOR OUR DIARIES NEXT WEEKEND

- ☺ **PIE & PEA SUPPER** with Jakes Iguana in **Winston Village Hall, Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> September 7.30PM POSTPONED**
- ☺ **Rev'd Moji Jaiyesimi's Sending Praise Service, Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> September 10am** in **Staindrop St Mary's Church** – a joint Communion Service for all 4 parishes.

### SERVICES THIS SUNDAY (21<sup>st</sup> September PROPER 19 Trinity 13)

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|---------|-------------------|---------------------------|
| 9.15am  | Staindrop St Mary | Rev'd Moji Jaiyesimi      |
| 9.30am  | Winston St Andrew | Rev'd Canon Eileen Harrop |
| 10.45am | Gainford St Mary  | Rev'd Moji Jaiyesimi      |
| 11am    | Ingleton St John  | Rev'd Canon Eileen Harrop |

Rev'd Canon Eileen Harrop

Join us for a night of fun and dancing  
with local band  
**JAKES IGUANA**

**POSTPONED**

Start at 7.30 pm  
Winston Village Hall

Bring your own alcohol/drinks and glasses

Tickets £15.00  
Available from Joyce  
07786072830

Bring cash for the raffle!  
St Andrew's Fundraising Committee

## NOTICES

- † **Please pray for Alison, Luke and Peter Medd and their families at this very sad and difficult time on the death of Alan MEDD on 13<sup>th</sup> August. The funeral was at Winston St Andrew's on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September at 12 noon** followed by a Private Burial and Committal at Whorlton Cemetery. The family welcomes everyone afterwards to the farm at West Whorley Hill.
- † **Please pray for Alastair and Sarah Fells and their family, on the death Alastair's father Ian Fells.** The funeral will take place on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September 11.15am at The Woodlands Crematorium in Northumberland.
- † **Our Centenarian Enid Burdon passed away almost 102 on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> August.** Please pray for her nephew Stephen and family. **The Funeral service with Committal will be on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 1.30pm at St Mary's Church, Gainford, with refreshments at Headlam Hall after the service.**

### MORE SOCIALS & FUNDRAISERS: Great fun for family, friends & neighbours!

Our church teams work hard to bless our churches and communities by bringing people together to eat and have fun together, and to raise funds for the ministry and work in our churches and for needy causes.

**How about treat your friends and family with these as innovative birthday gifts?** Instead of an invitation to supper or coffee at your home or out to a café or restaurant, how about inviting them to 'party' at these events?

## It's time for a Macmillan Coffee Morning and you're invited

Let's do whatever it takes  
to support people living with cancer.

Place: Gainford Village Hall  
Date: Friday September 26th  
Time: 10.30am - 12.30 pm  
Contact: Wendy Broderick  
01325 730665



Simply scan this QR code with your phone  
to donate to your host's Coffee Morning.  
It's easy, quick and secure. Thank you.

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**HARVEST SUPPER**  
with  
**The Barney  
Barbershop Quartet**  
**Friday 10th October**  
**7.00pm**  
**Gainford Village Hall**  
**BAR and RAFFLE**  
**Tickets £12**  
**Incl. two course supper**  
**Ring Sue Taylor for tickets:**  
**01325 730379**  
**Proceeds for St Mary's Church**

**Ingleton Village Hall**  
Ingleton, Darlington, DL2 3HL  
presents  
**FOOL'S GOLD  
SIREN SONG**  
songs and stories of the sea  
**17 Oct 2025**  
**7.00pm (doors 6.30pm)**  
**All proceeds to St. John's Church**  
Tickets £10 (U11 free)  
treasure@ingletonvillage.co.uk  
Refreshments Available  
  
[www.foolsgoldacoustic.co.uk](http://www.foolsgoldacoustic.co.uk)

## COLLECT for 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

Almighty God,  
who called your Church to bear witness  
that you were in Christ reconciling the world to  
yourself:  
help us to proclaim the good news of your love,  
that all who hear it may be drawn to you;  
through him who was lifted up on the cross,  
and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. Amen

## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

God our creator,  
you feed your children with the true manna,  
the living bread from heaven:  
let this holy food sustain us through our earthly  
pilgrimage  
until we come to that place  
where hunger and thirst are no more;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

### **First Reading (Trinity 13): 1 Timothy 1.12-17**

<sup>12</sup> I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus.

The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life.

To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

### **The Gospel (Trinity 13): Luke 15.1-10**

<sup>1</sup> Now all the tax-collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, ‘This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.’

So he told them this parable:

‘Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbours, saying to them, “Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.”

Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who need no repentance.

‘Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbours, saying, “Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.”

Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.’