

21st – 27th September 2025 TRINITY 14 PROPER 20 NEWSLETTER

"Come, let us sing to the Lord! Let us shout joyfully to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come to him with thanksgiving."
(Psalm 95:1-2)

Thank you and Go Well Rev'd Moji.

At 10 am this Sunday 21st September 2025, we gather in Staindrop St Mary's Church as 4 parishes

to sing praises of thanksgiving as we send Moji off as an Associate Priest based in Darlington. In the 2 years Moji has been our Curate in Training, she has blessed us with her relaxed and joy-filled presence, celebrating in worship at all our churches, engaging with our congregations, listening well as she offered pastoral care to many in their homes and in care homes. She has enjoyed being with Toddlers and Warm and Welcome in Gainford, in our 3 Primary Schools, at Messy Church and Holiday Club, and joining GATHER at their worship gatherings and Litter Picks. We have enjoyed her leading Lent events in Ingleton, Christmas Crib Services and the Remembrance Service in Gainford. Ingleton Primary School's Academy Councillors will miss her in her active delegated role as Ex-Officio Governor on my behalf. I am especially grateful for her holding our parishes in worship, occasional offices, and pastoral care during my absence in the last quarter of 2024. We were delighted to meet her husband Methodist Minister Rev'd Yemi, and her wonderful grandchildren. She is already greatly missed, and we thank God for Moji and wish her continued blessings on her next chapter of ministry.



Rosalind continues on Camino! I've received another update from Rosalind who writes: *'I am really well, Eileen. Being mindful is the key...today on my walk from Azofra to Santo Domingo de la Calzada I did 15.5km...It's been very hot the last few days. Drinking lots of electrolytes and water, eating well, sleeping well, taking pain relief and getting up early. I walk at a normal pace, and always get there in the end!'*

These photographs are taken by Rosalind, with fellow pilgrims – strangers in common endeavour – arriving at their typical accommodation at an alburgue, and the journey en-route showing others walking the Camino.



GATHER journeys up the dale to EGGLESTON on PILGRIMAGE on Saturday 27th September. Come: meet up at 10.45am at 10 Church Bank, Eggleston, County Durham, DL12 0AH on a circular route, about 7 miles of moderate terrain, taking in Eggleston, Mickleton, Romaldkirk and finally back to Eggleston. Refreshments assured!

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

SERVICES THIS SUNDAY (21st September PROPER 20 Trinity 14)

10am JOINT PARISHES SERVICE at STAINDROP ST MARY
Rev'd Canon Eileen Harrop with Rev'd Moji Jaiyesimi

12.30pm BAPTISM at Gainford St Mary Rev'd Canon Eileen Harrop

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NOTICES

- † **Please pray for Alastair and Sarah Fells and their family, on the death Alastair's father Ian Fells.** The funeral took place on Friday 19th September at The Woodlands Crematorium in Northumberland.
- † **Our Centenarian Enid Burdon passed away almost 102 on Friday 29th August.** Please pray for her nephew Stephen and family. **The Funeral service with Committal will be on Thursday 2nd October 1.30pm at St Mary's Church, Gainford,** with refreshments at Headlam Hall after the service.
- † **We give thanks for infant Arabella Dorothy Ellwood as she is brought to Baptism this Sunday at Gainford St Mary's Church.** Please pray for her, for her parents Robert and Ellie, and her Godparents, as they commit to their responsibility of guiding her into faith in Christ Jesus.

ADVANCED NOTICES

- **MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS CHORAL EVENSONG takes place on Sunday 28th September at 5pm in Gainford St Mary** – our quire comprising singers from several parishes including Barnard Castle, Gainford, and Darlington leads this traditional sung service. **Everyone most welcome.**

HARVEST SERVICES: Share these dates and invite family and neighbours. Please bring harvest gifts that we offer food banks and local hospices

Sunday 5th October at Winston St Andrew 9.30am

Sunday 12th October Staindrop St Mary 9.15am; Gainford St Mary 10.45am; and Ingleton St John the Evangelist 11am

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 (U.11 free)

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Refreshments Available



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COLLECT for 14th Sunday after Trinity

Merciful God,
your Son came to save us
and bore our sins on the cross:
may we trust in your mercy
and know your love,
rejoicing in the righteousness
that is ours through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord God, the source of truth and love,
keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and
fellowship,
united in prayer and the breaking of bread,
and one in joy and simplicity of heart,
in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

First Reading (Trinity 14): 1 Timothy 2.1-7

¹ First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings should be made for everyone, ²for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. ³This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour, ⁴who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

⁵For there is one God;
there is also one mediator between God and humankind,
Christ Jesus, himself human,
⁶ who gave himself a ransom for all
—this was attested at the right time.

⁷For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

The Gospel (Trinity 14): Luke 16.1-13

¹ Then Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. ²So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.'

³Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. ⁴I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.'

⁵So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' ⁶He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' ⁷Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it eighty.'

⁸And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. ⁹And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

¹⁰"Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. ¹¹If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? ¹²And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own?

¹³No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."