

2nd – 8th November 2025 All Saints & All Souls NEWSLETTER

The Lord gives strength to those who are weary (Isaiah 40:29)

Dear friends,

On All Saints' Day Saturday 1st November I hope many have chosen to be inspired at the stalls of goodies at Winston St Andrew's **CHRISTMAS MARKET** in the Village Hall.

Well done Allison PCC Secretary of **Ingleton St John the Evangelist Church** who called on members of the community to join her in creating a **POPPY DISPLAY FOR REMEMBRANCE**. Come along to Ingleton to see this moving and beautiful display.



Meanwhile, in **Staindrop St Mary's Churchyard**, the King Scout Award Guides were planting bulbs. And round the corner from the church is this spectacular tree in full Autumnal flush.

Our school children have installed a **Prayer Station of The Empty Chair**, in all our churches. Everyone is invited to write a prayer as they remember 'The person who once was 'ours' is no longer here' and to write a prayer.

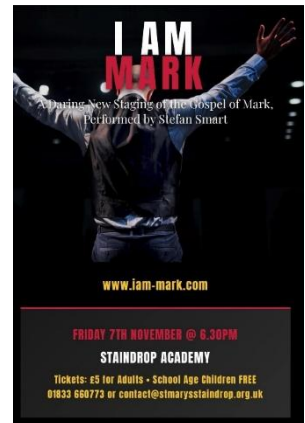


YOUTH SAINTS meet on **Thursday 6th November 6.30-8pm** in Gainford St Mary's for youth from all our parishes. For more information contact Sheila at stmarys@gainfordwinston.church

Invite a family or someone you have been praying for to our I AM MARK MISSION EVENING at Staindrop Academy Friday 7th November at 6.30pm a dramatic monologue performance of the Gospel according to Mark. It is extraordinary that Staindrop Academy has offered to host this production production sponsored by St Mary's, Staindrop.

All for only £5 for adults, FREE for school age young people.

For information, contact our Ordinand in Discernment and Training Sarah Fells 01833 660773 contact@stmarysstaindrop.co.uk



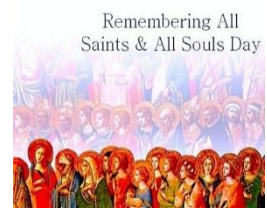
MESSAGE FROM MOJI

Fr. Damon and I will be ministering together at St. Mary's Cockerton. I would be his Associate. I am immensely grateful for serving my title with you over the course of two years. I thank God for all the wonderful people who supported and prayed for me. I now look forward to all that God has in store for me, here at St. Mary's, Cockerton.

It was a year ago when Moji prepared to take on additional duties in our parishes as I approached my time of bereavement in Singapore, for which I am grateful to her, churchwardens, PCC officers, and parishioners.

SERVICES THIS SUNDAY (2nd November All Saints/All Souls)

9.15am	Staindrop St Mary	All Souls Service	Worship Group
9.30am	Winston St Andrew	Holy Communion	Rev'd Canon Eileen Harrop
10.45am	Gainford St Mary	Holy Communion	Rev'd Canon Eileen Harrop
5pm	CHORAL EVENSONG		Rev'd Canon Eileen Harrop



Rev'd Canon Eileen Harrop

NOTICES

† Please pray for:

- the family of **Gemma Hunter** whose funeral and service of thanksgiving was on Thursday 30th October at St Mary's, Gainford.
- the family of **Dorothy Morris ('Dottie')** whose Service of Thanksgiving was at St Andrew's Church, Winston, on Friday 31st October.
- the family of **Colleen Dunbar** – a faithful member of St Osmund's Gainford and of Gainford Churches Together. Her service will be published when known.
- the family of **Robert Mills of South Cleathlam**, whose service will be at Staindrop St Mary's on Monday 17th November 11.30am.



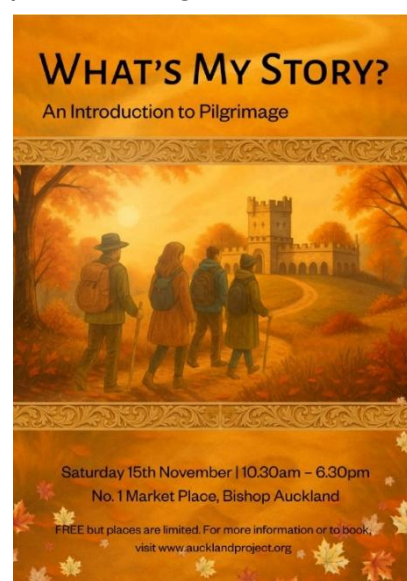
† We rejoice for **Abigail Emma Maughan**, who was Christened on Sunday 26th October in St Mary's, Gainford. We pray for her parents and Godparents who have promised to guide her in her Christian journey.

Eileen is away at a national conference on 5th – 7th November.

ADVANCED NOTICES

GATHER pilgrimage and retreat church is now partnered with **'THE HEARTH'**, The Auckland Project's community engagement team! Take a look at the link below our Pilgrimage event **WHAT'S MY STORY** on **Saturday 15th November** and share it with someone you know who would benefit from joining in. More detail in weeks to come! <https://aucklandproject.org/event/whats-my-story-an-introduction-to-pilgrimage/>

This event especially welcomes Caregivers and those seeking peace from emotional and mental struggles. Please contact Sheila or Tom on gatherchurchteesdale@gmail.com





A prayer for the people of Jamaica and the Caribbean

Father God,
We pray for the people of Jamaica and the Caribbean, and all those affected by the destruction wreaked by Hurricane Melissa.
We pray for those who have lost lives and those who grieve their passing.
Grant relief to the many left vulnerable, needing shelter, food and water, and give them courage and resilience to face the challenges of recovery and rebuilding in the wake of the hurricane.
Strengthen the hands of all those offering emergency relief, aid and support, that they may work safely and effectively to restore calm, comfort, healing and hope.
In all the devastation, may they know God's steadfast presence.
We ask this in the name of the triune God, creator, redeemer and sustainer.



A prayer by The Rt Revd Dr Rosemarie Mallett, Bishop of Croydon

Let us pray for those devastated by weather conditions especially in Jamaica, Haiti, and other places in recent days. While may be unable to imagine the devastation and the rebuilding and restoring of lives, homes, and livelihoods that is needed, let us pray in faith for them.

COLLECT for All Saints

Almighty God,
you have knit together your elect
in one communion and fellowship
in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord:
grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints
in all virtuous and godly living
that we may come to those inexpressible joys
that you have prepared for those who truly love you;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

God, the source of all holiness and giver of all good things:
may we who have shared at this table
as strangers and pilgrims here on earth
be welcomed with all your saints
to the heavenly feast on the day of your kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

First Reading (Principal Services): Ephesians 1:11-23

¹¹ In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, ¹² so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. ¹³ In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; ¹⁴ this is the pledge of our inheritance towards redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

¹⁵ I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason ¹⁶ I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. ¹⁷ 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, ¹⁸ 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, ¹⁹ and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. ²⁰ 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, ²¹ 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. ²² And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, ²³ which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

The Gospel (Principal Services): Luke 6:20-31

²⁰ Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

'Blessed are you who are poor,
for yours is the kingdom of God.

²¹ 'Blessed are you who are hungry now,
for you will be filled.

'Blessed are you who weep now,
for you will laugh.

²² 'Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. ²³ Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.

²⁴ 'But woe to you who are rich,
for you have received your consolation.

for you will be hungry.

'Woe to you who are laughing now,

²⁵ 'Woe to you who are full now,

for you will mourn and weep.

²⁶ 'Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

²⁷ 'But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, ²⁸ bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. ²⁹ If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. ³⁰ Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. ³¹ Do to others as you would have them do to you.