

The Week Ahead

Mon 12 Mar	9.15am 1pm	Morning Prayer - Belmont Communications Group - Belmont
Tues 13 Mar	9.15am 1.15pm 7.15pm	Morning Prayer - Belmont Banner Group - Belmont Bible Study - 61, Buckinghamshire Rd
Wed 14 Mar	10.00am 10am	Holy Communion - Belmont Kevin Dunne Cafe Church - Belmont Parish Hall
Thur 15 Mar	12.30pm 2.30pm 6.15pm 7.15pm	The Table Meal - Belmont Parish Hall Funeral of Derek Timms - Belmont Banner Group - Belmont United Benefice Choir - Belmont
Fri 16 Mar	9.15am	Morning Prayer - Belmont
Sun 18 Mar	8am 10.30am 7-8.30pm	Holy Communion (BCP) - Belmont Kevin Dunne Joint Benefice Eucharist - Belmont Kevin Dunne Funday Youth Group

Please note: there will be no 9.30 service at St Laurence, Pittington this week

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The United Benefice of
St Mary Magdalene, Belmont
and St Laurence, Pittington



Sunday 11th March The Fourth Sunday of Lent Mothering Sunday

8am	Parish Eucharist (BCP) - Belmont Preside: Kevin Dunne Preach: Stephen Martin
9.30am	Parish Eucharist - Pittington Leslie Morley
10.30am	Parish Eucharist - Belmont Preside: Kevin Dunne Preach: Stephen Martin
7 - 8.30pm	Funday Youth Group - Belmont

The Collect

God of love,
passionate and strong, tender and careful:
watch over us and hold us all the days of our life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

Bible Readings
Exodus 2.1-10
Colossians 3.12-17
John 3.14-21

Hymns for the 10.30 service

15	All hail the pow'r of Jesus name
26	All things bright and beautiful
268	He's got the whole world in his hand
644	There is a redeemer
167	For the beauty of the earth
134	Eternal Father
683	To God be the glory

Notices

For prayer this week:

We pray for Christopher Browne, Anne Johnson, Margaret Mechin and her niece who cares for her, Betty Neil, Dorothy Potts, Margaret Stout, Pamela Uren and for all who are **housebound or infirm**.

We pray for those who are **unwell or in need** at this time, remembering especially Sarah Davie, Margaret Hampson, Joe Hardman, Mike Jackson, Audrey Roberts, Jackie Roberts, and Trevor Uren.

We pray for all those who have been **bereaved**, especially for the family and friends of Captain Derek Timms, whose funeral takes place next week.

From Our Parish weekly prayer cycle, we pray for: The Mothers' Union; local shops; victims of crime; Pittington Primary School, staff and pupils; residents of Plantation Avenue, Littleton; Derbyshire Drive, Oakham Drive, Lingdale, *Nuns' Row*, Nottinghamshire Road, Carrsray, Belmont

Licensing of Heather Murray

The new Priest-in-Charge of the United Benefice, the Reverend Canon Heather Murray, will be licensed by the Bishop of Jarrow on Sunday 8 July 2018 at 4:00pm at Pittington and 5.15pm at Belmont. Refreshments will be served after the service in Belmont in the Parish Hall.

The Mothers' Union annual Ecumenical service will be held at St Mary Magdalene Church at 1.15pm on March 19th. Members of other churches and denominations have been invited to join us. Refreshments will be available afterwards. Come and join us!

Mothers' UNION
Christian care for families

As in previous years, the Mothers' Union will be placing a collection box in the Narthex as part of their "Make a Mother's Day" campaign. Throughout our lives, our mothers help us to flourish and bloom. This year, we can help mothers both in the UK and around the world do the same, simply by celebrating your own mum with a "Make a Mother's Day" donation in the Mothers' Union box. Many thanks on behalf of all the mums we will be hopefully able to help.



St Laurence Church, Pittington
The Posh Nosh Team invite you to
Come Dine with Us
in Belmont Parish Hall
on
Friday 23rd March
2018
7.00pm for 7.30pm
Contact: Norma Brown.
Email: pandn2010@hotmail.co.uk
or Mary Judd. Tel: 0191 372 1448
Sign up sheet in Narthex!

Unveiling of St Mary Magdalene Artwork

Members of the congregations are invited to the official unveiling of the completed artwork on Easter Saturday at 2pm. The Reverend Kevin Dunne will give a blessing. Light refreshments will be available

Pulse Youth Event
Durham Cathedral
Sunday 11th March 7-8.45pm
For young people of aged between 11 and 18.

Guest speaker: Dave Johnson (SU and MINE Trust, Byker)
Big games, quiet times of reflection and hot chocolate and cookies.
Free! All very welcome.
<http://durhamdiocese.org/events/the-pulse-2/>

Durham Singers
Songs of Farewell
Saturday 24th March at 7.30pm
St Cuthbert's Chapel
Ushaw Moor
Tickets £12; under 25s £8 from
www.durham-singers.org.uk
Durham Music Shop. Langley Moor
Tel: 077901480

Praying with your Bus Pass

Tuesday 13th and 27th February, 13th March
3 sessions exploring prayer and spirituality for the second half of life with Bishop Mark Bryant. Beginning with prayer at 12.30 then lunch (optional). Full session 1.30 -3.30 pm. Use public transport and get a reduction on the price of the day Suggested donation £12 with lunch, £6 without. Further details and booking are available from St Antonys Priory and on their website. Poster in Narthex

National Weekend of Invitation 15th-17th June

Michael Harvey, who was responsible for "Back to Church Sunday", is leading an information session on the National Weekend of Invitation at Cuthbert House on Saturday 24th February between 10-1pm. Tea and coffee will be provided, and the session will end with a buffet lunch. Please contact Sylvia Hope for more information and for a lift, if needed!

York Courses

York courses have produced a booklet of Daily Devotional Readings. This is a 48-page A5 booklet with a thoughtful reading for every day from Easter to Pentecost. Priced at £2.99 (including postage) it makes a perfect Easter gift. There are discounts for multiple copies. To order and for further details, visit: - www.yorkcourses.co.uk/product/daily-devotional-readings-multipack-of-1-booklets/