

Events are beginning to resume again and we now have refreshments after 10.30 am Sunday service in the hall and Café Church on a Wednesday Morning. These are being run according to Covid safety guidelines.



Here is the latest news.

<https://mailchi.mp/7475f31bce05/ctenewssept2021?e=352330a62a>



The Bishop's Certificate in children's ministry is a free of charge six week course for anyone working with children in a ministry context in the diocese. For more

information or to book you place, please contact:

Hannah.Wilkinson@durham.anglican.org



The Table is hoping to start again on Thursday October 14th. If anyone is interested in joining then please contact Jean McGranaghan.

Parish Office: Currently no-one is working in the parish office. Therefore, for enquiries please contact Heather or Liz until further notice.



RSCM Celebration day. This year's celebration day service will take place in Durham

Cathedral on 9th October at 5.30pm and will feature the premiere of Bob Chilcott's new work, The Song of Harvest, a carefully crafted celebration of the earth and its riches. More details can be found at <https://www.rscm.org.uk/get-involved/celebration-day/>



Messy Church is on October 3rd at 3pm. Please could team members let Heather and Liz know if you feel able to help.



The Pulse is back and live in the Cathedral on **10th October** under the moon! Just

3 weeks before COP26 the theme is Creation and Climate Justice. This is for those in Year 7 or older. The event is free but pre-booking is essential. Please contact kate.martin@durham.anglican.org or Tel: 0191 3746017



St Laurence are holding a **Harvest Afternoon Tea** on Saturday 16th October from 2.00pm till 4.00pm. All are invited to attend.

The Benefice of St Mary Magdalene, Belmont & St Laurence, Pittington.

Sunday 26th September



Collect Prayer

Creator God, you made the goodness of the land, the riches of the sea and the rhythm of the seasons:

as we thank you for the harvest, may we cherish and respect this planet and its peoples, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Bible Readings.

Old Testament Reading: Joel 2:21-27

New Testament Reading: 1 Timothy 6: 6 – 10

Gospel Reading: Matthew 6: 25 – 33

Services this week.

Sun	9.30am	Holy Communion SL
	9.00am	Holy Communion SMM
	10.30am	Holy Communion SMM
Mon	9.15am	Morning Prayer in person & live streamed
Tues	9.15am	Morning Prayer in person & live streamed
Wed	10.00am	Holy Communion SMM
Thurs	10.00-11.00	SL Church open for prayer
Sat	9.15am	Live Stream Morning Prayer

Please note all services are first streamed to St Mary Magdalene Facebook Page

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/SMMBelmont> then posted afterwards to St Laurence's Facebook Page

https://www.facebook.com/groups/1719669764968104?modal=false&should_open_composer=false

Old Testament Reading: Joel 2:21-27

²¹ Do not be afraid, land of Judah;
be glad and rejoice.
Surely the LORD has done great things!
²² Do not be afraid, you wild animals,
for the pastures in the wilderness are becoming
green. The trees are bearing their fruit;
the fig-tree and the vine yield their riches.
²³ Be glad, people of Zion,
rejoice in the LORD your God,
for he has given you the autumn rains
because he is faithful.
He sends you abundant showers,
both autumn and spring rains, as before.
²⁴ The threshing-floors will be filled with grain;
the vats will overflow with new wine and oil.
²⁵ 'I will repay you for the years the locusts have
eaten – the great locust and the young locust,
the other locusts and the locust swarm –
my great army that I sent among you.
²⁶ You will have plenty to eat, until you are full,
and you will praise the name of the LORD your
God, who has worked wonders for you;
never again will my people be shamed.
²⁷ Then you will know that I am in Israel,
that I am the LORD your God,
and that there is no other;
never again will my people be shamed.

New Testament Reading: 1 Timothy 6:6-10

⁶ But godliness with contentment is great
gain. ⁷ For we brought nothing into the world,
and we can take nothing out of it. ⁸ But if we
have food and clothing, we will be content with
that. ⁹ Those who want to get rich fall into
temptation and a trap and into many foolish and
harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and
destruction. ¹⁰ For the love of money is a root of
all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money,
have wandered from the faith and pierced
themselves with many griefs.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 6:25–33

²⁵ 'Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your
life, what you will eat or drink; or about your
body, what you will wear. Is not life more than
food, and the body more than clothes? ²⁶ Look at
the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or
store away in barns, and yet your heavenly
Father feeds them. Are you not much more
valuable than they? ²⁷ Can any one of you by
worrying add a single hour to your life?

²⁸ 'And why do you worry about clothes? See
how the flowers of the field grow. They do not
labour or spin. ²⁹ Yet I tell you that not even

Solomon in all his splendour was dressed like
one of these. ³⁰ If that is how God clothes the
grass of the field, which is here today and
tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much
more clothe you – you of little faith? ³¹ So do not
worry, saying, "What shall we eat?" or "What
shall we drink?" or "What shall we wear?" ³² For
the pagans run after all these things, and your
heavenly Father knows that you need
them. ³³ But seek first his kingdom and his
righteousness, and all these things will be given
to you as well.

For our prayers this week:

Pray for those who are unwell and
have asked for our prayers: Maureen
Bond, Andrew Dover, Tony Elliott,
Joyce Fry, Richard Harrison, Mike
Jackson, Anne Johnson (Pittington),
Matthew Litobarski, Adam Matthews,
Linda Potter, Jackie Roberts, Trevor Uren,
Christopher Percival and Helen Wilson.

If you would like anyone to be added to the prayer
list, please let Heather or Liz know. However, please
seek the person's permission first.



From Our Parish weekly prayer cycle:

The Girls' Friendly Society; local police; the church
architect; residents of Moor View, Littletown;
residents of Limecragg Avenue, Lancashire Drive,
Whitwell Court, Kepier Crescent, Ullerdale Close,
Taylor Court, Belmont.

If you are looking for ways to support the
Afghanistan refugees then the [Baby Basics appeal
wishlist](#) will be able to pass much needed
equipment to families in great need. New items are
safer for babies and children. The list includes gift
vouchers which Baby Basics will be able to use to
buy some of the more expensive items.

Booking is no longer required for Sunday Services.
However, it is still necessary to have your name
written on the attendance list for track and trace. We
are also requesting social distancing between one
another and we will continue to wear face coverings
until further notice. Thank you.



Vicars PA and Church

Administrator: We are looking to
appoint an individual who will work
closely with the Vicar, assisting her

with clerical tasks, and who will carry out general
administrative duties for the church on a weekly
basis. The post holder will work in Belmont Parish
Church. The post is offered on a 12 hour per week
basis, normally 9.30-12.30 Monday to Thursday. If
you would like further information please contact
Kevin Reynolds (Churchwarden) on
marymagbelmont@gmail.com for a job description
and person specification.