

Notices for the Parish of the Solway Plain

13th January 2019 – Baptism of Christ

Welcome to our Services today. We invite Christians of all traditions to receive the bread and wine at our services of Holy Communion. If you are not a communicant member of a church, we would invite you to come forward to receive a blessing

Isaiah tells us that God calls God's sons and daughters by name from the ends of the earth. Today we come together in response to that call, joining in worship, prayer and praise with generations of Christians.

Collect for today

Eternal Father, who at the baptism of Jesus revealed him to be your Son, anointing him with the Holy Spirit: grant to us, who are born again by water and the Spirit, that we may be faithful to our calling as your adopted children; 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

Readings for today

Acts 8:14-17

The people of Samaria have accepted the word of God and been baptised in the name of Jesus. Peter and John are sent from Jerusalem to lay hands on them, so that they also receive the Holy Spirit

Luke 3:15-17,21-22

When people mistake him for the Messiah, John confronts them, telling them that the more powerful one is coming to baptise them with the Holy Spirit and fire. After Jesus' baptism the heaven opens. The Holy Spirit descends in the form of a dove and the voice from heaven proclaims Jesus as "my Son, the Beloved".



Readings for Epiphany 3

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

1 Corinthians 12:1-11 & John 2:1-11

Services for next Sunday (20th Jan)

9:00am - Westnewton, Morning Prayer (RG)
9:30am - Holme St Cuthbert, Holy Communion (BR)
9:30am - Bromfield, Morning Prayer (TB)
10:30am - Holme Cultram, Morning Prayer (RG)
11:00am - Waverton, Holy Communion (PH)
11:00am - Churches Together Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Service, RC Church, Silloth (BR/TB)

Events for the week

Tuesday 15th Jan

7:30pm – Churches Together Meeting,
Silloth Methodist Church

Wednesday 16th January

10:00am – Coffee Morning, Holme Cultram
10:00am – Bible Study, 7 Holliday Crescent, Silloth
7:00pm – Holme St Cuthbert PCC, Shore Cottage

Thursday 17th January

10:00am – Holy Communion, Silloth
2:00pm – Mother's Union, Midtown, Westnewton

Electoral Roll

This year a new Electoral Roll will be compiled. Once in every six years the preparation of new church electoral rolls takes place, which means that everyone's names are removed, and you must re-apply if you wish to be included in the new roll. Forms are available in the churches and from electoral roll officers. The roll needs to be completed before the annual meeting, so please ensure your completed forms are returned by **15th February**.

There will be one Annual Meeting for the whole parish which will take place on Sunday 3rd March. We will be holding a United Service at 10.00am in Holme Cultram Abbey. The Annual Meetings will take place following the service at 11.00am and afterwards we will share in a bring-and-share lunch.

St Matthew's Westnewton * St Mungo's Bromfield * Christ Church Waverton
St Mary Holme Cultram * Holme St Cuthbert * Christ Church Silloth

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