

# Notices for the Solway Plain Churches

## 19<sup>th</sup> January 2025 – Epiphany 2

God is waiting with blessings in abundance for those who are far off as well as those who are near.  
No one is to be denied this blessing in God's kingdom

### Sunday Worship

*We welcome 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.*

*It is our practice that those who don't wish to drink the wine from the common cup, receive the bread only, intincted by the priest before the distribution. Please respect others by not intincting the bread yourself.*

### Bible Crack

Informal Bible Study with Revd Malcolm Stilwell at Midtown, Westnewton on Monday at 7.30pm. All are welcome from across the Solway Plain Parish

### This Week

Mon 7.30pm – **Bible Crack** – Midtown, Westnewton  
Tues 10.00am – **Abbey Tots** – Holme Cultram Abbey  
Tues 6.00pm – **Abbeytown Community Choir** – Abbey  
Tues 7.30pm – **Churches Together in Silloth** - Christ Church  
Wed 1.30pm – **Kirkbride Craft Club** – Kirkbride Institute  
Wed 2.30pm – **Coffee & Chit Chat** - Abbey  
Thurs 10.00am – **Holy Communion** – Christ Church, Silloth  
Fri 10.30am – **Coffee Morning** – Kirkbride Institute

### Next Sunday's Services

9.00am – Westnewton – Holy Communion (MS)  
9.30am – Holme St Cuthbert – Morning Prayer (TB)  
9.30am – St Mungo's, Bromfield – Holy Communion (CN)  
9.30am – St Bride's, Kirkbride – Morning Worship (BR)  
10.30am – Holme Cultram – Holy Communion (MS)  
11.00am – Christ Church, Silloth – Holy Communion (CN)

### Next Sunday's Readings

1 Corinthians 12:12-31a    Luke 4:14-21

### Collect for today

Almighty God,  
in Christ you make all things new:  
transform the poverty of our nature  
by the riches of your grace,  
and in the renewal of our lives  
make known your heavenly glory;  
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.

### Bible Readings for today

#### 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

No one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit. The Spirit is given for the common good, and each of us has our own unique attributes to enable us to serve

#### John 2:1-11

A wedding, and a blessing, when water is turned into wine, poverty into riches, exclusion into embrace

### Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

Churches Together in Silloth will be meeting for a joint service today at 11.00am in Silloth Roman Catholic Church

*As we celebrate 1,700 years since the Council of Nicaea, the worship service has at its heart, the Nicene Creed. Reflecting this, the scripture readings for this year focus on belief.*

*We are invited to reflect on the story of Martha's confession of faith in Jesus as narrated in John 11:17-27. Each is called to sit with Jesus' provocative question to Martha: "Do you believe this?"*

This year, materials were prepared by the ecumenical community at Bose in Northern Italy.

### Healing Prayer

Today at 4pm in Holme Cultram Abbey, prayers for healing. Please join us, or send your prayer requests to [prayer@solwayplainchurches.org.uk](mailto:prayer@solwayplainchurches.org.uk)

*St Matthew's Westnewton \* St Mungo's Bromfield \* St Bride's, Kirkbride \* St Mary Holme Cultram \* Christ Church, Silloth  
Holme St Cuthbert \* St John the Evangelist, Newton Arlosh*

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