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## The Ministry Team

**Vicar:** Revd Nick Wells 07852 254 907

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**Hon. Assistant Priest:** Revd Helen Houston

**Licensed Lay Ministers:** Jacqui Briscoe, Joanne Hutchinson,

David Matthews, Bev Wells, Nicola Whitehead

**LLM Emeritus:** Angela Lee

**Authorised Lay Ministers:** Marianne Cottier Brown and James Walmsley

## Our usual Pattern of Services of Worship.

	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday
8:30am BCP Communion	St Cuthbert	St John	St Cuthbert	St John	St Cuthbert
10:15am Morning Service	Parish Communion	Holy Communion St John	Holy Communion Both churches	Holy Communion St Cuthbert	Holy Communion Both churches
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Dear Friends



On Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> September we will be celebrating the 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Consecration of St John the Divine Lytham, the first of four daughter churches of St Cuthbert's. To mark the day the Bishop of Blackburn will be with us in the evening to preside and preach at a special Anniversary Eucharist.

This will begin a weekend of mission when we are arranging a number of events to help us make Jesus know in our town. The mission is being called 'Anchored in Faith' and we wish to invite as many people as possible to a range of events over the weekend.

The timetable of events we are looking to arrange are as follows:

- |                         |         |   |
|-------------------------|---------|---|
| Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> | Daytime | Visits to Lytham CofE and Hall Park Schools                               |
|                         | Evening | A Concert with Lytham Community Choir and friends at St Cuthbert's        |
| Saturday                | Morning | A 'Sports Breakfast' at a local venue                                     |
|                         | Daytime | Family Activities on Lytham Green opposite St John's                      |
|                         |         | Both churches will be open through the day participating in Heritage Week |
| Sunday                  | Morning | A Celebration Service at St Cuthbert's                                    |

We are still putting flesh on the bones of these events, but please get the dates in your diaries and think about who you could invite to come with you to something.

A Mission is always an exciting time and we need to underpin it with your persistent prayer to ensure the mission speaks to as many

people as possible about God's love for them at an event which sparks their interest.

Heavenly Father we pray for our Mission 'Anchored in Faith'. Give us hearts full of love and lives centred on Jesus Christ, so our words and actions preparing, during and following this Mission may present Jesus' love afresh to our town. Place on our hearts five people we especially wish to invite to hear about you so those few days will change lives and bring others into your family. We offer our prayer before you in Christ's name. Amen

With your commitment 'Anchored in Faith' can be a special moment in the life of St John's and St Cuthbert's this autumn and beyond.

Bishop Tony Porter, formally Suffragan Bishop in the Diocese of Southwell and Nottingham and founder member of Christians in Sport will be leading the mission team for 'Anchored in Faith' and will be our guest preacher at our Parish Communion on 6<sup>th</sup> July.

Yours in Christ,



Parish Communion for July

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We next meet on Thurs. 12th June at 2.30pm at Lytham Hall for Afternoon Tea. A few places are still available if you wish to join us.

*Margaret Fisher*

### From the Registers

#### Baptisms

April 27<sup>th</sup> Charlie Beaumont

May 11<sup>th</sup> Archibald Webb

#### Funerals

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## Report from the Annual Parochial Church Meeting

Our Annual Parochial Church Meeting was held on Monday 19th May at St John's. The meeting accepted unanimously the Annual Report and Accounts for the parish for 2024 which had been available prior to the meeting. Further reports including Safeguarding and Deanery Synod and many of our organisations were also received.

Debbie Edwards and Susan Holman were re-elected as our Churchwardens and Andrea Tinker re-elected as a Deputy Churchwarden. Diana Harris, John Dixon, Karleen Wilkinson, Julie Smith and Alex Walmsley were elected onto the PCC for the coming year.

Thanks were expressed to Tabitha Riley and Paul Olive for the service they have given to the parish over recent years, we know they will still be supporting our ministry into the future.

The results do mean we are a Deputy Churchwarden based at St John's light and have a vacancy for the PCC which we would love to fill – if you wish to know more please speak to either of the clergy or Susan Holman for more information.



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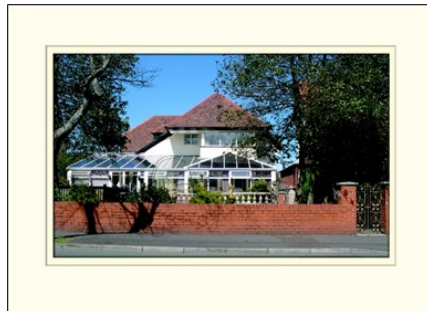
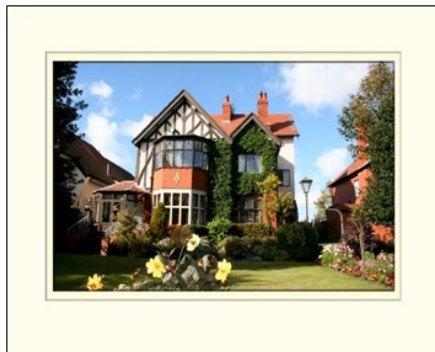
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#### **Club Day—28th June 2025**

We have the privilege of providing the Rose Queen for Lytham Club Day this year, Natalie will be supported by Lily as Chief Maid. They will lead the procession through the town in the morning before being Crowned during the afternoon celebrations at Lytham Hall.

Together with Lytham CofE Primary School we will also be decorating a float and joining together in walking in the procession. If you can walk with us some, or all, of the way may we encourage you to do so, it is a great way of showing we are part of this community.

On Sunday 29th June we will be hosting the Rose Queen Service at 10:15am in St Cuthbert's, and look forward to welcoming friends from the town to share in that service with us. The weekend rounds off with a 'Songs of Praise' in the marquee outside Lytham Hall led by the Lytham Community Choir at 3pm that afternoon.

#### **PLEASE NOTE a change to our Services**

#### **at St Cuthberts in June**

#### **on Pentecost Sunday (8th June) and Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> June**

In June we are adjusting our Sunday services at St Cuthbert's to accommodate Pentecost and the Rose Queen Service. This means there will be Communion at 10:15am on Sunday the 8th (Pentecost) and our All Age Service will be at 10:15am on Sunday 29th June.

## Lytham CofE Primary School

We are pleased to announce that Miss Hannah Davies has recently been appointed as the Head Teacher at our school. Hannah joined us as Deputy Head last summer and has been working closely with Mr Stuart Booth our acting Executive Head since Christmas.

Hannah is a local lady having grown up in Freckleton and attended Kirkham Grammer School. Her teaching career before joining us was centred in Preston. She worships at Christ Church Treales and is a great Rugby Union fan, but then her surname is Davies!

We congratulate her on the appointment and look forward to supporting her, and continuing to work with the our school into the future.

## Our Church Bells

Michael Phillips, who has been a bell ringer in Lytham since about 2010, has made two short films about St. Cuthbert's and St. John's focussing mainly on the bells but also giving a brief overview of the history of each church.

The films give people different views of the churches from the outside as well as interesting views inside the bell towers helping to raise awareness of bell ringing and enabling people to see aspects of the churches which they may never have chance to see.

We are facing major expenses to replace the bell frame at St John's and an appeal will be launched later in the year which will include repairs to the bell frame, new organ, ungraded Kitchen and an indoor disabled toilet. In the meantime please enjoy these films:-

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## Quiz Questions for June - Dress to Impress

Clothing can be defined simply as covering for the human body. Typically, it is made of fabrics or textiles though, over time, garments have been produced using animal skins or natural products found in the environment. Ruled over by gender, body type or social factors, fashions in clothing can change rapidly. Being 'in fashion' is an intention which many people hope to achieve and maintain.

Clothing maintains decency, but also satisfies other purposes. It can serve as protection from the elements, rough surfaces, harmful plants or insect bites. It can insulate against high or low temperatures and maintain hygienic conditions for the body.

In biblical times, clothing carried additional meanings. These often reflected spiritual truths or moral conditions. Throughout Scripture, garments are used to convey underlying theological messages.

Consider the following examples:-

**Genesis 3.21** Here is the Bible's first mention. God made 'garments of skin' for Adam and Eve after the Fall. This symbolises God's provision and care, even in the aftermath of sin.

**Jonah 3.5,6** Sackcloth is often associated with mourning, repentance and humility. The people of Nineveh donned sackcloth as a sign of repentance, hearts contrite and humbled before God, seeking his mercy.

**Revelation 3.5** White garments represent purity and holiness. Jesus promised, 'He who overcomes will be clothed in white garments and I will never blot out his name from the Book of Life.'

**Luke 15.22** In the parable of the Prodigal Son, the father ordered his servants to bring out 'the best robe' for his returning son. This symbolised acceptance and forgiveness, again illustrating God's grace to repentant sinners.

**John 19. 23,24** At the crucifixion, the soldiers cast lots for Jesus' seamless garment. Woven in one piece, here was the unity and

perfection of Christ's ministry and the nature of his sacrifice.

Here are thirty clues the answers to which are items of modern day clothing. Crypticness abounds, of course.

1. Should be worn when partaking of an afternoon cuppa [1-5]
2. A former Archbishop from South Africa [4]
3. Romans may have confused this with a goat [4]
4. Kimberley is willing to accept an offer [6]
5. Enthusiast for railways and trains [6]
6. Look back at what you may get stuck in, and then prohibit it [6]
7. You may find yourself here when holidaying in Wales [8]
8. Silly fool starting to go round a vehicle [5]
9. A university lecturer has an important coat [6,6]
10. British Rail is about to take it easy [6]
11. Dr Who's time machine cut short follows Tolstoy, perhaps [7]
12. Consult the map, Ronald, it's clearly in there [5]
13. One hundred at the Royal Academy get taxed [6]
14. A pair of musicians struggle with a strong animal [6]
15. More orbs are circling overhead [8]
16. You might lose this at Haydock Park [5]
17. Did this get its name from a book by Georges du Maurier?
18. Instruction from the police to speeding drivers, we hear [8]
19. One hundred left by a type of tree [5]
20. Four + ? = Eight, Eight + ? = Twelve [4,5]
21. Headgear for a cruise on the canal? [6,3]
22. British scoundrels [7]
23. A wooden leg and a parrot are not compulsory for wearing these [4,5]
24. Appropriate footwear for Waterloo, perhaps? [10,5]
25. Looking inside, I spy jam as I open the cupboard [7]
26. Bend low before draw [3,3]
27. A train was derailed coming round the outskirts of Cairo [8]
28. Initially the road runs south, around a Yorkshire river [8]
29. What's this on my payslip? Personnel include them [8]
30. Confuse a pike with General de Gaulle's hat [4]



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	6pm-7pm	Beavers (term time)
	7pm-9pm	Scouts (term time)
<b>Wednesday</b>	9.30am-11.30am	Bertie Bear Group (term time)
	1.45pm-4pm	Over 50's Table Tennis
	7pm-8pm	Pilates with Georgia – 07875590724
<b>Thursday</b>	5pm-6pm	Rainbows (term time)
	6.30 -7.30pm	Brownies (term time)

Answers will appear in the next issue.

## Quiz questions for May: Oi! What's your game?: Answers

1. Burnley, 2. David Beckham, 3. Grandmaster, 4. Figure skating, 5. Middlesex, 6. China, 7. New Zealand, 8. Fol, epee and sabre, 9. Q and Z, 10. Rowing, 11. Trivial pursuit, 12. Table tennis, 13. Diving, 14. Wrestling, 15. Poker, 16. Rowing, 17. Cricket, 18. Bingo, 19. Formula One, 20. Tennis, 21. Karate, 22. Bagatelle, 23. Skiing, 24. Draughts, 25. Noughts and Crosses, 26. Steeplechase, 27. Curling, 28. Billiards, 29. Badminton, 30. Rummy, 31. Marbles, 32. Taekwondo, 33. Canasta, 34. Pole vault, 35. Scrabble, 36. Cluedo, 37. Snap, 38. Chess, 39. Rugby, 40. Golf.

## Russell Watson—25th Anniversary Special

We are delighted to let you know that we have agreed that acclaimed Tenor Russell Watson can hold a concert at St Cuthbert's as part of his Heritage Buildings Tour. The Concert is on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> February at 7:30pm.

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## Pope Leo and the Order of St Augustine

Cardinal Robert Prevost was elected as Pope on 8 May 2025, becoming Pope Leo XIV, a choice of name inspired by Leo XIII, who was Pope 1873-1903. He was a notable social reformer at a time of huge change, when – in a period often called the Second Industrial Revolution (c.1870-1914) — there was rapid scientific discovery and ever-increasing mass production, with standardisation of products and processes. The wealth of developed and developing nations vastly increased, but it brought with it much human suffering. In response to this, Leo's encyclical of 1891 was revolutionary in arguing that workers should receive a fair wage, enjoy safe working conditions, and have a right to belong to a trade union. The encyclical also supported free enterprise and rights to property. Not surprisingly, this Pope Leo became known as 'The Pope of the Workers'.

Pope Leo XIV is the first Pope to be born after the Second World War; the first to have been born in the USA; the second to be a native English speaker, after Hadrian IV (1154-59), the only English pope there has yet been; and the second, after Pope Francis, to be from South America, in the sense that he is a naturalised citizen of Peru. He is also the first pope who is a friar of the Order of Saint Augustine, although six other popes before him have belonged to other Orders which follow the Augustinian Rule.

Orders of friars came into existence in the thirteenth century, the most famous being the Order of St Francis, founded in 1209. The Dominicans — more scholarly in their focus than the Franciscans — followed in 1220, and the Augustinians in 1256, with a constitution modelled closely on that of the Dominicans, with whom they share a

strong commitment to learning alongside their pastoral outreach. Martin Luther (1483-1546), who can be said to have launched the Reformation, was an Augustinian friar, although he belonged to one of the reformed branches of the Order that had by then developed. Some of these achieved independent status, and so are counted as separate Orders, although they are still Augustinians.

There is also an Order of Augustinian canons: communities of priests (canons) who live a common life of poverty, celibacy and obedience, although they can undertake parochial responsibilities. When living in community, their life is much like that of monks in monasteries, although all Augustinian canons are priests, unlike monks, some of whom are priested, and some are not. Such communities of priests grew up in northern Italy and southern France in the earlier part of the eleventh century. They received formal approval in the Lateran synods of 1059 and 1063, and their way of life rapidly spread in western Europe in the century that followed.

St Augustine of Hippo (354-430), after whom all these Augustinian Orders are named, was one of Christianity's greatest theologians, hugely influential in the development of the western church in particular, but he did not found an Order or write a community Rule in the same way as, for example, Benedict did for monks, or Francis or Dominic for friars. Rather, the Rule that bears Augustine's name was probably drawn up in the mid-fifth century by one of his followers, drawing on Augustine's writings in various ways. It was little used in the early middle ages, but was revived in the eleventh century by the canons, who were looking for a distinctive Rule of suitable authority, and then redeployed for the Augustinian friars in the thirteenth.

Joyce Hill