

PCC Accounts month ending 31st July, 2026

	£		£
Balance B/F	579.93	TBG Lease	130.90
June income	<u>1,855.86</u>	Gas	88.48
Total	2,435.79	Electric	77.00
Expenditure	<u>2,082.25</u>	Cathedral Shop	80.94
Balance C/F	<u>353.54</u>	Church Insurance	398.96
		SumUp – Tiles	469.72
		DBF (Funeral Fees)	262.00
		Visiting Clergy	342.25
		Donations – Charity Box	
		Roof Fund	50.00
		World villages for children	50.00
		Alan Carr – Noticeboard	<u>132.00</u>
		Total	<u>2,082.25</u>

2026 Parish Share

£4,500 paid to end of June 2026.

£10,500 due to be paid by end December 2026.

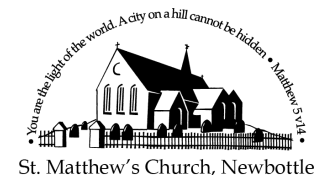
P.C.C. meeting: Monday 7th Sept. 7.30pm in Jubilee Room

S.M.D.T. meeting: Monday TBA, 7.00pm in Vestry

Church Hall meeting: Friday TBA, 9.30am in Vestry after flowers

Confirmation

Autumn confirmation in our Deanery is due to take place October, November this year. We currently have three folks who have shown and interest in being confirmed and this is wonderful. If you are considering being confirmed, would you please speak to Joy or Tom.



Sunday 6th September, 2026

The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 18)

9.45am: Parish Communion

Welcome – Pat French

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Celebrant and Preacher – Rev. Michael Beck

Hymn – 760; “When we walk with the Lord”

O.T. reading: Exod. 12: 1-14 – Mike Eames

N.T. reading: Rom. 13: 8-14

Hymn – 445; “Lord, the light of Your love is shining,”

Gospel: Matt. 18: 15-20 – Rev. Michael Beck

Sermon: Rev. Michael Beck

Prayers: Tom Dick

Collection hymn – 22; “All the way my Saviour leads me;”

Holy Communion Music – “Be still and know” (Harp)

Final Hymn – 708; “To God be the glory!”

Mid-week Services

9th September, 2026 – Wednesday.

10.00am Holy Communion: Rev. Paul Grundy

Readings: 1 Cor. 7: 25-31. Luke 6: 20-26 – Jacqui

Prayers for: Florence & Derek Coffey, Dianne Whatcott, Michelle McDonald, Dawn McDonald, Bell Wake, Nicky (nee Davison) & Jimi Harkins, Kristofer Marshall, Mike Glover and Annabelle Wilson.

Departed: Friends and Family

Vacancy Audit Meeting, 26th August, 2026 update

PCC have received the updated VAP report following the above meeting which again is very favourable and complimentary. The final sentence of the report indicates that, Newbottle would benefit from the ministry of a mission-minded 0.5 FTE priest, which is what we had with Tim. We will keep everyone updated with any news and outcome.

Friday 25th September – Macmillan Day
in the church hall, 12pm-3pm. *All welcome.*

Dementia Group at St Georges Church, Fatfield

St George's is hoping to set up a dementia group in the New Year. They are hoping to run two groups at the same time—one for people living with dementia and one for carers. Both groups will meet at the same time in the church café.

Plans are still being discussed, but volunteer training is hoped to begin in October, and anyone from St Matthew's who would like to help or volunteer would be very welcome.

St George's would also welcome anyone who is a carer or has Alzheimer's or dementia and would like to get involved in the group. Most of all, they would really appreciate our prayers and support.

Christine Hope, who worships at St George's and also regularly attends St Matthew's, is involved with the setup of the group. She will keep us updated and let us know the dates of the three volunteer training sessions.

If you would like more information, please speak to Joy, Tom or Christine.

Sunday 13th September, 2026
The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 19)

9.45am: Parish Eucharist

Welcome – Jim Burnett

Celebrant and Preacher – Rev. Peter Hood

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O.T. reading: Exod. 14: 19-31 – Charles Martin

N.T. reading: Rom. 14: 1-12

Gospel: Matt. 18: 21-35 – Rev. Peter Hood

Sermon: Rev. Peter Hood

Prayers: Joanne Martin

Ushaw's Flower Festival
Thursday 10th to Sunday 13th September, 2026
Ushaw Historic House, Chapel and Gardens
Ushaw, Durham DH7 7DW

Gilly and Michael Beck are exhibiting at the above event. You will experience the sound of the North East reimagined in flowers. Discover breathtaking floral displays inspired by our region's rich musical heritage, filling the spectacular buildings of Ushaw with colour, creativity and charm.

Roof Replacement Fund

If you are interested in purchasing slates or helping us with this very important project and making our church weather tight for years to come and for future generations, please see Mike or Tom. Further information is also available on the noticeboard in the entrance lobby and at the back of church.
