

PCC Accounts month ending 30th September, 2024

	£		£
Balance B/F	617.82	Electric	68.17
September Income	<u>1,302.80</u>	Durham Cathedral shop	51.94
Total	1,920.62	Gas	73.31
Expenditure	<u>1,391.80</u>	Church Insurance	374.77
Balance C/F	<u>528.82</u>	Books/cards-Confirmation	59.67
		Water Aid	300.00
		Visiting Clergy	137.25
		Copies–Total Bus Group	5.35
		Pest Control	101.11
		Durham BF	<u>220.23</u>
		Total	<u>1,391.80</u>
Parish Share Pledged	£15,000		
Parish Share Paid	<u>£6,300</u>		
Parish Share Due	<u>£8,700</u>		

P.C.C. meeting: Monday 28th October, 7.30pm in Jubilee Room.

S.M.D.T. meeting: Monday TBA, 7pm in Vestry.

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

Church Hall cleaning - If anyone is available to help/volunteer with cleaning of the church hall once a month, would you please speak to Marjorie.

St Matthew's General Maintenance Team – Anyone who would like to join a General Maintenance Team/Pool to carry out easy DIY, painting etc as required please see Mike.

Sunday 27th October, 2024
The Last Sunday after Trinity
Bible Sunday

9.45am: Parish Family Worship.

Welcome – John Wilson

Leader and preacher: **Stephen Holmes**

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Hymn – 631; “Tell out, my soul,”

O.T. reading: Isaiah 55 1-11 – Pat French

N.T. reading: 2 Timothy 3.14 - 4.5

Hymn – 275; “I heard the voice of Jesus say,”

Gospel: John 5. 36b-47 - Stephen Holmes

Sermon – Stephen Holmes

Music for reflection and prayer; “Benedictus”

Prayers – Pat French

Collection hymn – 705; “Thy hand, O God has guided,”

Lord's Prayer and Peace

Final hymn – 564; “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty,”

Mid-week Services

Wednesday 30th October, 10.00am.

Mid-week Communion: **Rev. Paul Grundy**

Readings: Ephesians 6. 1-9; Luke 13. 22-30;

Prayers for: Mary Brewis; Florence and Derek Coffey;
Dianne Watcotte; Michelle McDonald; Dorothy Orrell;
Dawn McDonald and Elly Ford.

Departed:

Joyce Dixon Olive Gibson

Dates for the diary

Sunday 3rd November, 3pm - ALL SOULS SERVICE.

If you would like a loved one or friend remembered at our All Souls Service, please add their names to the list at the back of church.

Saturday 30th November, 2pm. Christmas Fayre in church hall.

Friday 6th December, 6pm - Village Christmas Tree Lights switch on. Coffee, hot chocolate and mince pies served afterwards in the church hall.

****SAMARITAN'S PURSE CHRISTMAS SHOEBOX APPEAL****

Boxes and leaflets are now available at the back of church for anyone wishing to participate in this year's appeal. Please make sure you pick up a shoebox leaflet as it gives details of what, and what not to put into the boxes this year.

Christian Aid/Disasters Emergency Committee

MIDDLE EAST HUMANITARIAN APPEAL

Your donation can help save lives in the Middle East by providing medical relief, shelters, and sanitation. Together, we can give hope to people facing a desperate situation.

Sunday 3rd November, 2024
The Fourth Sunday before Advent

9.45am: Parish Communion with Baptism

Celebrant and preacher: **Rev. Norman Shave**

Welcome – Vera Marshall

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N.T. reading: Rev. 21: 1-6a – Vera Marshall

Gospel: John 11: 32-44 – Rev. Norman Shave

Prayers after Baptism– Rev. Norman Shave

Sermon – Rev. Norman Shave

Food Bank

The P.C.C. is accepting donations of tinned food and other non-perishables to support those going through a hard time. As well as occasionally giving out emergency hampers, we feed into Space4's foodbank at St Michael's at Houghton.

Suggested items: UHT Milk Instant Mash Cereal Jar of coffee
Tinned – Soup, Baked Beans, Spaghetti, Tomatoes, Rice, Sponge
Pudding, Meat, Fish, Vegetables (peas, carrots etc.)
Long Life Fruit Juice (boxed or tinned), Pasta, Rice, Pasta Sauces
Tea Bags, Sugar, Biscuits and Snacks.

Please make sure items have a fairly long use by date/shelf life.
