

St. Cuthbert's

Peterlee



John 13:35

“We are a faithful church with a strong desire to share God’s love with our wider community”

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Welcome

A Message from the Bishop of Durham

Thank you for considering the role of incumbent of St Cuthbert's Peterlee in the Diocese of Durham.

Please do think and pray about whether God is calling you to come and work with us here in the diocese, as we seek the growth of the church in every place, and the parish of Peterlee, and look to the future with hope.

This is a time of both continuity and change for us in Durham.

We continue to be committed to the mission of the church in every parish and place. However, we also know that to proclaim the gospel afresh involves both the renewal of traditional forms of worship and mission and the willingness to explore new approaches.

We have an ongoing diocesan Transformation programme, supported by national grants, through which we are working prayerfully to see new life and growth in our parishes, expecting to see God at work through both existing patterns of worship and mission and the creation of new worshipping communities.

There are many challenges here, but we are determined – by the grace of God, and through his work among us – to see the development of healthy, sustainable, mission-focussed local churches. We would expect to see such churches growing younger, challenging poverty in their communities, and engaging creatively and hopefully with environmental issues.



The Church of England is committed nationally to becoming a church of missionary disciples, and this is central to our vision in the Diocese of Durham.

We are asking how our churches, schools and chaplaincies can increasingly become places where people can come to faith and grow in a journey of discipleship. We are seeking to appoint and to grow the leaders – lay and ordained – that we need to enable this.

So please pray about whether this might include you by coming to serve in Peterlee and joining us to work together for the building of God's kingdom through the work of the church in this diocese.

With my very best wishes and my prayers for you in this discernment process,

Rick Simpson,

Bishop of Durham



“Blessing our communities in Jesus’ name.”

Who we are

St. Cuthbert's Church, Peterlee

We are a welcoming, nurturing and prayerful congregation, committed to the worship of God, the proclamation of the Gospel and the service of our local community. We seek to be a church that is open to new ideas and attentive to the guidance of the Holy Spirit as we continue to grow in faith, mission and discipleship.

We understand ourselves to be a broad Anglican church, valuing the richness and diversity of traditions that exist within the Anglican Communion. Our worship and spiritual life draw from this breadth and we do not seek to be defined by a single style or tradition. Rather, we appreciate the variety of Anglican worship and spirituality, recognising that different expressions can help people encounter God in meaningful ways.

We are a faithful church with a strong desire to share God's love with our wider community.

– Parish Mission Statement

Family Several families worship with us across three generations.



We are committed to being an inclusive Christian community. We believe that every person is created in the image of God and is loved by Him. We therefore seek to ensure that all who come among us are welcomed, valued and respected, regardless of race, cultural background, gender, disability, age or sexual orientation.

As members of the Body of Christ here in Peterlee, we are active within our community and seek to serve God faithfully through worship, pastoral care, outreach and service.

*Christmas Tree Festival
Prayer is at the heart of who we are*



Peterlee

is the place to be

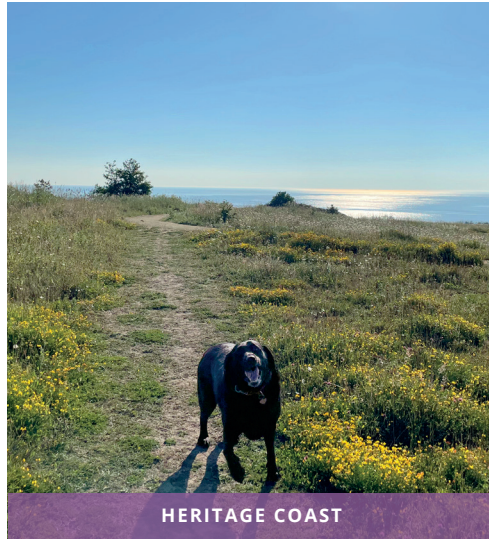
Peterlee was built as part of the New Town's Act of 1946, to provide modern housing for miners, with the first houses being built in the early 1950s.

In those early days, the Anglican, Methodist and Roman Catholic churches gathered in a wooden community hut and we are blessed to still have amongst us, people who remember the foundation stone of our church being laid. We continue to have three generations of the same families worshipping amongst us.

Peterlee is a garden town, with plenty of green spaces to nourish the soul and has on its southern perimeter Castle Eden Dene National Nature Reserve.

We are also close to the East Durham Heritage Coast and the exceptional road, bus and rail links, make accessing the beauty of God's creation across our region really easy.

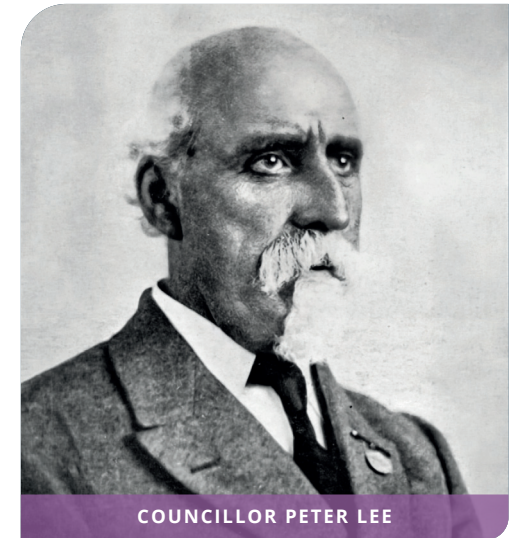
There is the Lubetkin Theatre within East Durham College, which offers a wide range of productions throughout the year. This is in addition to the great number of theatres and music venues in local towns and cities, offering a wide cross section of genres for the whole family to enjoy.



St. Cuthbert's is the only Anglican church in Peterlee and occupies a sizeable and visible plot on the fringe of the town centre and since 1986, it has been the site of the Town War Memorial.

Our new electoral roll, published in April 2025, stands at seventy-eight. Since the last published census of 2021, with a stated population of 20,643, the population of Peterlee has now grown to approximately 22,000. In addition, there are detailed proposals for significant further residential housing development, already approved by the County Council.

We have one community hospital and three health centres, there are also four care homes, all of which have a monthly service run by lay members of the congregation.



Diocesan Priorities

Energising Growth

Hospitality is at the heart of who we are as a congregation. We seek to make everyone welcome and use every opportunity we are given, to sow the seeds of faith within those we meet in God's name.

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

Local schools, nurseries, uniformed brigades



WE LOVE CAKE!

We are witnessing this coming to fruition:

- Children stop to introduce their families to the Open the Book Team when they meet them in the supermarket and are keen to share their enjoyment of the Bible Stories they have heard.
- In 2025, more schools took part in our Carol Services, which enabled us to share the wonder of the Christmas message with a hundred more people than the previous year, as we gathered to raise our voices in joyful praise. Overall, we welcomed more than a thousand children and young people into church during December 2025.
- Care workers from the nursing homes we visit each month, have come along to our Christmas Services and have taken an active part within the service.

We are exploring how we can build on these encouraging signs and we are looking to how we can offer a broader range of services and activities throughout the year.

We are a congregation who appreciate a good sermon and it has been known for a preacher to be applauded for their teaching. At present, we are valuing the diversity of preaching and teaching styles offered by visiting clergy; all of which encourage us in our faith. The weekly newsletter always contains within it a bible verse and words of spiritual encouragement and this is in addition to the ongoing Bible Study that takes place via Zoom each week.

Challenging Poverty



Poverty comes in many forms, not only fiscal and as a PCC, we are very aware of the demographics of our community. As you move around our town, you will observe the contrast between areas of affluence and significant deprivation; all within a five- or ten-minute walk. The Index of Multiple Deprivation for our parish is 486 out of 12,178, where 1 equals the most deprived parish.

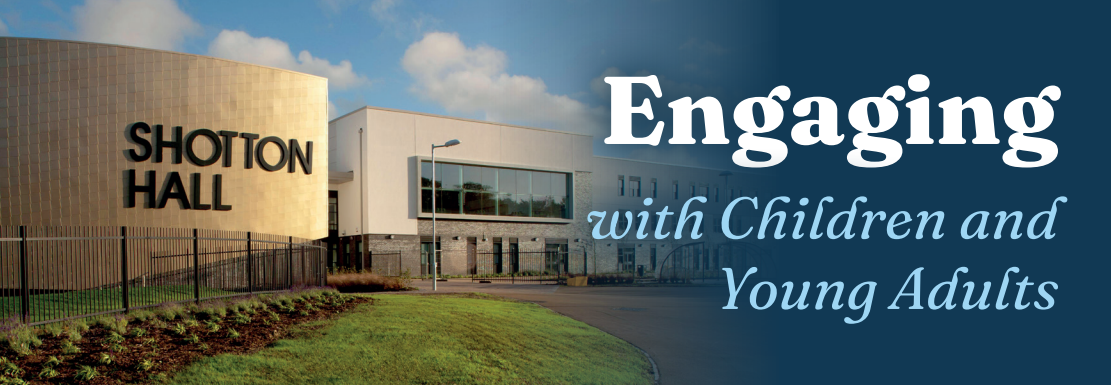
As a church community our response is on a number of levels. Many of the congregation work within the public sector and service organisations and as such, are challenging poverty as part of their daily work. Others are involved in local action groups and have worked within one of the food banks when it was still within the town. We maintain close links with East Durham Trust Feed Project and collect food regularly on their behalf and they were the beneficiaries of our annual charitable donation, as were Shelter and the Leprosy Mission.

Our Samaritan's Purse, Operation Christmas Child Appeal, is always well supported from both the congregation and the wider community. We also take part in the Children's Society box scheme, as well as raise money within the Christingle Services we have each year. Both of these initiatives are currently lay led.

The PCC has oversight of the running and maintenance of the church hall and throughout the week, there are a variety of activities such as Cuddy's, an art group and it is used by the Probation Service. As part of our outreach and service to our community, we offer up to 25% of available hours within the hall, at no cost to community groups.

We currently host two groups supporting vulnerable people struggling with addiction. During the summer months of 2025, we provided sanctuary, hospitality and a safe place for someone to pitch their tent, whilst we also worked with the relevant agencies to identify an appropriate housing solution for them.

There is always more to be done and our congregation are generous in their giving, time and talents and prayers for those in need, not just for those within our community but also our brothers and sisters across the world.



Engaging *with Children and Young Adults*

We have Cuddys, a carer and preschool children's group within the church hall on a Monday morning, during term time and our Open the Book Team regularly go into schools. Throughout the year, schools come into church for services, concerts and to cover key areas within the national curriculum, all of which is led by Lay Members of the congregation.

Members of the congregation are integral to the running of the children and young people's Uniformed Brigades within the town and local area and they regularly join us for services at Christmas, Mothering Sunday, Harvest and St George's Day.

Children and young people are warmly welcomed at St. Cuthbert's. There is a safe place for children to be themselves and play at the back of the church and we have members of our Sunday School Team, who are available to provide meaningful bible-based activities, for those who wish to take part. At the end of the service, the children are encouraged to come forward and to share with the congregation what they have been doing and all they have learned. They then lead the congregation in the prayers they have written.

Historically, encouraging children and young people in their faith journey, has been a major part of church life here at St. Cuthbert's. As time moves on, approaches need to change and in more recent years, we have had both Café Church and Messy Church. We are reflecting on how best to engage with families and young people and see this as a priority for mission in the coming years.

IN THE AREA;

- 1 INFANT SCHOOL
- 1 JUNIOR SCHOOL
- 5 PRIMARY SCHOOLS (INCLUDING 1 ROMAN CATHOLIC)
- 3 COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOLS (INCLUDING 1 ROMAN CATHOLIC)
- 2 SIXTH FORM CENTRES
- EAST DURHAM COLLEGE
- 3 PRIVATE NURSERIES AND DAY CARE CENTRES



GOD'S GARDEN
Castle Eden Dene, Peterlee

Caring *for God's Creation*

As a church, we are acutely aware of our role as good stewards of God's creation and we take a keen interest in doing what we can, both at home and within the church buildings and grounds.

Ours is a large site within the town centre, with areas of grass, shrubs and mature trees; all of which are maintained through a combination of volunteers and specialist contractors. We are members of the 'Parish Buying Scheme', sourcing green electrical energy and are very mindful of how we use our energy resources.

Our church hall, kitchen and toilet areas are heated by a modern, high-efficiency gas boiler and throughout 2025, our Net Zero subgroup has been leading an appraisal to identify the most appropriate solution to replace our aged church boiler. Following a comprehensive Heating Options Appraisal, the recommendations to replace the church boiler have been approved by the Diocesan Advisory Committee.

Our Net Zero subgroup has also led on identifying ways in which we can improve the thermal efficiency of our church building by reducing heat loss via the windows. Specialist advice has been sought and obtained to progress this work, with recommendations already approved by the PCC. All of these initiatives flow directly from our Parish Net Zero Action Plan.

Mission

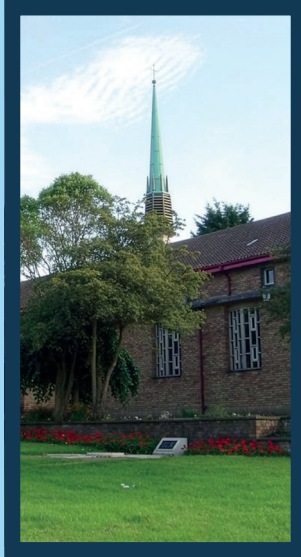
Serving communities

GOOD FRIDAY
Ecumenical Act of Witness



We are an outward-looking church, committed to the service of others, and we are aware that mission is about who we are and what we do, not just as a collective Body of Christ here at St. Cuthbert's but also as individuals and how we live our lives. All of which is embodied within the writing of John Pritchard in his book, "Living Faithfully."

We don't always celebrate our successes and strengths and need to find ways to promote who we are and what we do and create more opportunities for people to access and engage in study groups and wider church activities. As a congregation, we are eager to explore the possibility of youth chaplaincy.



As a PCC, we take mission very seriously and make every effort to ensure all opportunities for mission are explored within our meetings.

At present, we have a Mission and Ministry Group that oversees much of church life and coordinates the Lay Led activities within the Church.

NEW YEAR'S DAY DIP
Just one of the things we have done to raise money



As a church, we need to build on the successes of our Christmas Services and occasional offices and find ways to engage and encourage the wider community in regular worship and fellowship.



Our Vision *for the Future*

As a parish, we hope to continue growing as a welcoming and prayerful Christian community that reflects the love of Christ in both worship and service.

We hope to deepen our spiritual life together through worship, prayer and teaching that draw on the richness of the Anglican tradition, while remaining open to new ways of worshipping and engaging people of different ages and backgrounds.

We aim to strengthen our connection with the wider community of Peterlee, by building on existing relationships with schools, care homes, voluntary organisations and local groups. We also hope to develop new opportunities for outreach, pastoral care and partnership within the town.

Encouraging and developing lay ministry will remain central to our life as a church. We want to support members of the congregation in discovering and using their gifts, so that ministry and leadership can be shared more widely within the church.

Above all, our vision is to continue becoming a church that faithfully worships God, supports one another in faith and share the love of Christ generously with our community.

Finance



The Congregation has practised Christian Stewardship from its early years, emphasising the need for members to be responsible in the use of time, talents and money. There has been regular support for Home and Overseas Missions, Crisis Appeals and work supporting children.

The attitude towards Stewardship has always been positive and ongoing, not only financially but also in the number of people willing, in one way or another, to help with the upkeep of the buildings on a regular basis.

In the last fourteen years, we have raised in excess of £300K, which has paid for the new roof for the church and hall, repairs to the Steeple and other building work that needed to be undertaken. There is still work to be done: installing a new boiler and realising our dream of making the church buildings and facilities more accessible to those living with disabilities.

Detailed plans and specifications have been prepared by our parish architect to improve

disabled access and provide disabled toilets. We are being assisted in our capital fundraising activities by the Diocesan Church Buildings Support Officer, with the necessary prioritisation of the replacement of our aged church boiler, in respect of which we have recently submitted an application for a faculty.

In 2025, we met our guided pledge in full. The Annual accounts and trustee reports are produced promptly and a copy of the approved 2025 accounts is attached. Our main income comes from planned giving, with fundraising arranged for some major maintenance and improvements. There are currently 47 members of the congregation who "Gift Aid" their contributions and the income tax reclaimed for 2024 was £8171.

Our Parish Share pledge for 2026 of £36,750, along with our Lowest Income Communities Fund allocation of £66,723, means that the overall contribution towards the Total Cost of Ministry at £98,619 per annum is both met and exceeded.



Buildings

We are proud of our history...

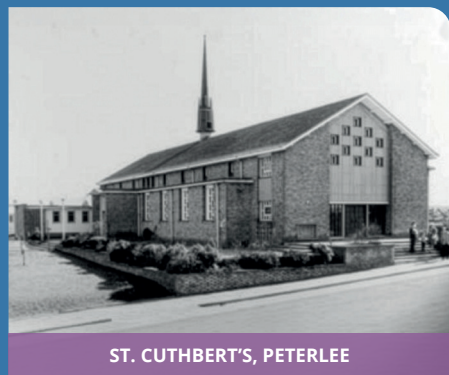


The first step towards the building of the Parish Church was marked by a procession of witness on Ascension Day 1954 and a Cross, made from an Oak from Castle Eden Dene, was placed on the site.

The foundation stone, which is built into the West End of the church, was brought from the Holy Island of Lindisfarne, and the PCC agreed to accept the Patronage of St. Cuthbert.



THE OAK CROSS



ST. CUTHBERT'S, PETERLEE

2027 will mark our 70th anniversary, following the consecration of the church in November 1957, and we are developing plans to celebrate this milestone in the life of the church.

The Church won a bronze medal design award when it was built and holds approximately five hundred people and is Eucharistic in design, following the traditions of the early Christian Church. The placing of the Font near the main door and central to the church is not only practical for the administration of the sacrament but also marks it out as the symbol of entry into membership of the Church.



TRINITARIAN FONT

The Sanctuary is the most distinctive part of the building, within an apse at the east end of the building; the placing of the Altar

Table as free-standing was considered quite "revolutionary" at the time, enabling the Minister to celebrate facing the people.

At the rear of the main body of the Church is a chapel, dedicated to St. Cuthbert, which provides an opportunity for smaller gatherings and an intimate setting for reflection and prayer. There is a play area opposite for children attending Eucharist with their parents.



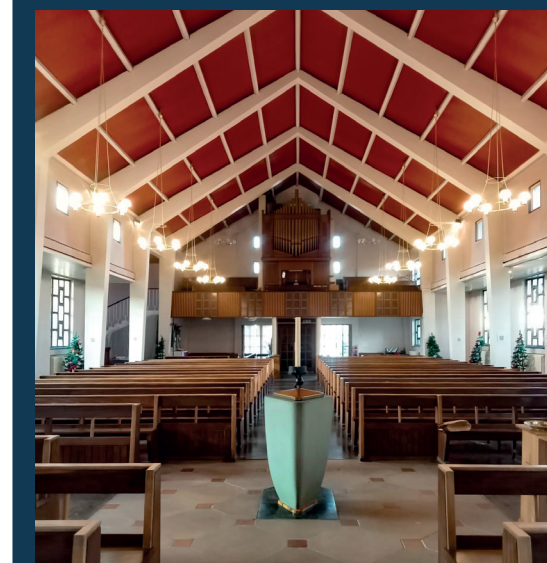
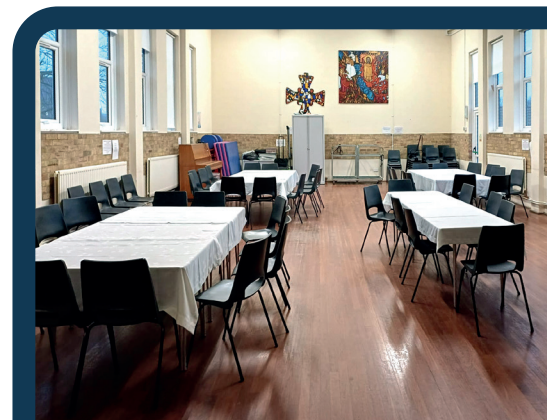
THE CUTHBERT CHAPEL

Our church has excellent acoustics and is large enough to host sizeable concerts and other such large events, which are complemented with a public address system, which was replaced in 2023. Our pipe organ has been well maintained, as have the pianos in the church, hall and choir vestry.

The Church Hall, which was built in 1967, holds eighty seated and is wheelchair accessible, it is used throughout the week by a variety of groups and has a kitchen which is well stocked and adequate for its current use.

In 2025, we undertook a comprehensive review of our church lighting and as a consequence, replaced the lighting system, which had become obsolete.

A recent inspection of the external fabric of the church has identified the need for localised concrete repairs to the building at its north and west elevations and in respect of this, specialist technical advice has been sought and a quotation obtained. This work is being led by our Fabric Subgroup and is being assisted by the Diocesan Church Buildings Support Officer.



Governance

The PCC meets regularly throughout the year and all meetings are opened with prayer and members take their roles as trustees very seriously. The PCC Agenda typically covers all areas of church life and business; discussion is thorough and specialists are brought in to address items on the agenda, where we feel we will benefit from their expertise. Safeguarding culture is strong and is led by a diligent Parish Safeguarding Officer and the Online Dashboard is fully implemented.

The Churchwarden, Treasurer and PCC Vice Chair also meet regularly to ensure that any business in between meetings is addressed in a timely and appropriate manner and the PCC are kept well informed.

Oversight of the church's work and mission is shared with other lay-led groups and the minutes from their meetings are circulated to the PCC and are a standing agenda item.

Our lay-led subgroups are:

- Mission and Ministry
- Finance
- Hall Management
- Fabric
- Net Zero

We actively promote lay involvement across all areas of church life and include but are not limited to:

- Sunday School teaching
- Open the Book
- Cuddy's
- Administration of the chalice
- Intercessions
- Reading in church
- Home and Nursing and Care Home communion
- Preparing and leading special services e.g. Carol and Christingle, Good Friday, Songs of Praise, St. George's and VE Day
- Study Groups
- Support for Baptisms, Weddings and Funeral Services

Deanery Synod

Our Deanery Synod representatives play an active part in the life and work of the deanery, and Deanery Synod Reports are a standing item on the PCC agenda.

A comprehensive end-of-year report on all deanery activities in the preceding year is presented by our deanery representatives to the APCM.

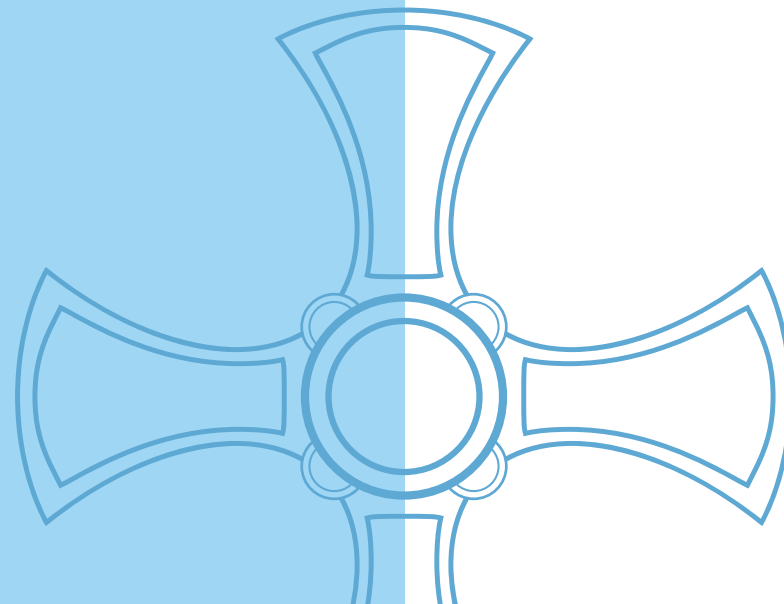
Some members of the PCC have current and past experience of representing the parish on the Deanery Standing Committee and Deanery Mission and Pastoral Committee, including undertaking the role of Deanery Treasurer for many years.

Through membership of the Deanery Mission and Pastoral Committee, some PCC

members have been actively involved with supporting, guiding and leading deanery-wide consultation and making recommendations on pastoral reorganisation across other parishes in the deanery.

Some members of the PCC have wider governance experience. This includes serving on Diocesan Synod, the Bishop's Council,

Diocesan Mission and Pastoral Committee, Diocesan Board of Finance, Diocesan Board of Education and Diocesan Investment Committee.



Current Worship Patterns

We have a sung eucharist with an affiliated RSCM Robed Choir on a Sunday Morning, with a more informal setting on the fourth Sunday of each month; there is a said service every Thursday and both services commence at 9:30 am.

With the support of the Area Dean who seeks the clergy, the administration for all occasional offices, funerals, Baptisms and Weddings is currently undertaken by members of the congregation.

The vacancy provides us with an opportunity to meet clergy from across the broad traditions of the Anglican communion, this we find enriching and is something that we value.

As a training parish, over the years we have been blessed with curates from many different backgrounds and churchmanship; this breadth of style of worship is something we would hope to continue in the future.

As the only Anglican church in a large town, we are mindful that we want all to feel welcome, regardless of their worshipping tradition.

Throughout the year we have had a number of themed and special services, including:

- Light up a Life
- Peterlee Schools & Nurseries Christmas Services
- Town Carol Service
- Christingle Services
- Nine Lessons and Carols
- Service for Week of Christian Unity
- Mothering Sunday – all age service
- Scout's St. George's Day Service
- Harvest – Family Service
- Shoe Box Service – all age service
- Remembrance Day Service
- Service for loved ones lost
- Deanery Songs of Praise

Services During Lent:

- Ash Wednesday Service
- Maundy Thursday
- Good Friday Meditation before the Cross



Mission Data for 2025

St. Cuthbert's in Numbers

Average Sunday Attendance:

34

Average Thursday Attendance:

15

Baptisms:

9

Weddings:

0

Funerals:

33



Town Carol Service

Additional Roles and Support

St. Cuthbert's Peterlee is within Easington Deanery and the priest will become an ex-officio member of Synod and a member of the Deanery Chapter.

In the past, the priests and curates have taken on the role of governors within schools, chaplaincy within the college and also for the police, as well as roles with the youth and community service and also the probation service. We would support and encourage the priest to identify where they thought their talents and skills would be best used.

Traditionally, there have been very strong ecumenical links with the Methodist, Roman Catholic and Free Churches within the town, of which we have many very happy memories. Sadly, at present, this is not what it once was and as we look to the future, this is something we would hope and pray to re-establish.



Where you will live

The Vicarage

The vicarage is situated at the bottom of the lawned area of the church and was built in 1990 on the site of the former vicarage and is fully alarmed. It is a spacious detached property with four bedrooms, two upstairs bathrooms, one with a bath, the other a shower and both with W.C. Downstairs there is a generous living room, with windows giving light on three sides, a large dining room, family sized kitchen and a dual aspect study running the width of the house. There is a downstairs W.C. and Cloakroom which can be separated by a door from the rest of the property, offering privacy to a family from visitors to the study. All door handles and light switches are suitably positioned for use by people with a disability.



The vicarage benefits from a double-length garage and a driveway that can hold up to four cars. It has an enclosed, predominantly south-facing private walled garden to the rear, which is laid mainly to lawn with a patio area and mature shrubs. The Vicarage was the subject of considerable capital expenditure by the Diocese in 2024 to replace the bathrooms and it was re-carpeted and redecorated throughout.

Being in a central position in the town, it is possible to walk around the parish, with most homes and schools no more than an easy twenty-minute walk away. The local bus station provides frequent Express services to Middlesbrough and Newcastle, as well as an express coach service to London and other cities. The town centre also acts as a boarding and disembarking point for various holiday companies. There is a railway station in the neighbouring village of Horden, with links north and south on the coastal main line and Durham railway station is twenty minutes away, offering access to mainline routes and also cross-country. Newcastle and Teesside airports are easily accessible, as are Leeds, Manchester and East Midlands.

With the addition of excellent road links, Peterlee is well situated and a day off would enable the priest, to not only take in the amazing countryside of County Durham, which is often overlooked but also up into Northumberland, the border countryside, The Lakes and North Yorkshire.



Horden Train Station



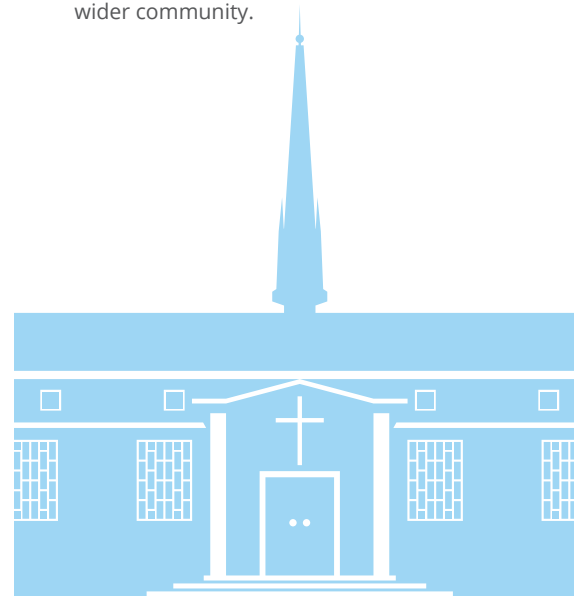
The Priest

we are looking for...



We are looking for a prayerful and approachable priest who will walk with us as we continue to grow as a parish. We hope for someone who will care for the spiritual life of the congregation, help us deepen our faith and strengthen our connection with the wider community. We are committed to being an open and inclusive church, where all are welcomed and valued as children of God and we hope our new priest will nurture that spirit of welcome and belonging.

We value the breadth of the Anglican tradition and would welcome a priest who is comfortable within that diversity, helping us draw from different expressions of worship and spirituality, while maintaining unity and mutual respect. We also hope for someone who will encourage and support lay ministry, helping people recognise and develop their gifts in the service of the church and the wider community.



Person Specification

- Relish the idea of exploring how Peterlee can be a better place because St. Cuthbert's is here.
- Be at ease with being out and about in the town, striving to place St. Cuthbert's at the centre of civic and community life.
- Demonstrate that you have a commitment to work with children, young people and their families both in local schools and in church.
- Have strong pastoral gifts and a prayerful presence both in church and the wider community, combining enthusiasm and energy with wisdom and prayerfulness.
- Have a proven record of developing the gifts and skills of lay people.
- Build upon the foundations of our discipleship (Bible Study, ecumenism, mission and stewardship).
- Be excited by and have imaginative ideas for the missional opportunities that can arise from the Occasional Offices.
- We seek a priest with whom we can work collaboratively, so that together we can encourage occasional worshippers to feel comfortable to become more active participants in all aspects of Church life.
- Be committed to ecumenism and building strong relationships with other leaders of other Christian denominations within the town.
- Promote inclusiveness in all aspects of church and community life.
- We seek a priest whose ministry is rooted in and shaped by the Gospel's inclusive message of love for all.

Our Welcome!



We sincerely hope and pray that our church, with its broad canvas, enthusiasm and willingness to serve and our strong and faithful calling to mission, ministry and growth, will resonate with an enthusiastic and energetic priest, who has the vision, leadership and experience to realise all that is possible here.

You will find us a warm and welcoming congregation, who will extend to you, our hospitality, support, encouragement and prayer. We will walk with you and be fellow travellers on the road, as we seek to grow God's Kingdom here in Peterlee and to make known and share His love with all.

Do please come along and meet us to find out more and to grasp this wonderful opportunity to make your mark.

Diocesan Prayer for Mission

*God of Mission,
who alone brings growth to Your church.
Send Your Holy Spirit
to give vision to our planning,
wisdom to our actions
and power to our witness.
Help our church to grow in numbers,
in spiritual commitment to you and in
service to our local community.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.*



*“By this everyone will know
that you are my disciples,
if you have love for
one another.”*




Parish of St. Cuthbert, Peterlee

Financial Statement for the year ended December 31st 2025

General Fund Receipts and Payment Account

	2025		2024	
	£	£	£	£
RECEIPTS				
Incoming Resources from Donors				
Covenanted Planned Giving	A	17204	19176	
Income Tax Recovered	B	8171	7638	
Uncovenanted Planned Giving	C	4782	3740	
Collections	D	5963	6471	
Gift Days				
Sundry Donations	E	3	3	
		36124	37028	
Other Voluntary Incoming Resources				
Grants	F	1266	6000	
Donations / Appeals	G	5988	11704	
Legacies	H			
Fetes & Bazaars	J	4469	1565	
Miscellaneous	JJ	459	2807	
		12182	22076	
Income from Investments				
Bank Interest	K	79	97	
Dividends				
		79	97	
Income from Charitable & Ancillary Trading				
Magazine / Card Sales	KL			
Church Hall Lettings	L	9834	8685	
Fees	M	14398	12133	
		24232	20818	
Income from Non-Charitable Trading				
		0	0	
Other Ordinary Incoming Resources				
		0	0	
Total Receipts		72617	80018	

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	£	£	£	£
PAYMENTS				
Incoming Resources from Donors				
Overseas Mission & Relief	N	142	135	
Home Missions & Organisations	O			
Secular Charities	P	2000	3276	
		2142	3411	
Activities Directly Relating to the Work of the Church				
Parish Share	Q	36830	35080	
Clergy Expenses	R	748	631	
Fees Paid out for Weddings & Funerals	QR	8959	7423	
Parsonage Repairs	RR		277	
		46537	43412	
Church Running Expenses				
Heating & Lighting	S	6148	5812	
Church Insurance & Maintenance	T	21040	13537	
Cost of Services	U	1157	1961	
Upkeep of Churchyard	V	2309	2657	
Repayment of Loan	VV			
Support Costs	W			
Hall Running Costs	X	3858	4164	
Major Repairs	Y	2545	14598	
Salaries/Wages/Honoraria	Z			
		37057	42729	
Fund Raising & Publicity				
Printing & Stationery	AA	171	343	
Costs of Fetes & Bazaars	AB		100	
		171	443	
Church Management and Administration				
Administration	AC	899	936	
		899	936	
Total Payments		86805	90931	
Excess of Receipts over Payments		-14188	-10912	
Bank Accounts at 01 January		40670	51582	
Bank Accounts at 31 December		26482	40670	



RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

PAYMENTS

Voluntary Income

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds	Last Year
	£	£	£	£	£
Planned Giving	1	21986		21986	22916
Collections	2	5963		5963	6471
Income Tax Recovered	3	8171		8171	7638
Other Voluntary Receipts	4	1141	6113	7254	17704
Activities for Generating Funds	5		4469	4469	1565
Receipts from Church Activities	6	5439	8959	14398	12133
Investment Income	7	79		79	97
Other Receipts	8	9838	459	10297	11496
Sub Total		52617	20000	72617	80018

Asset and Investment Sales etc.

Total Receipts **52617** **20000** **0** **72617** **80018**

PAYMENTS

Costs of Generating Voluntary Income

Fundraising Trading	9			0	0
Investment Management Costs	10			0	0
Activities for the Church's Work				0	0
Charitable Giving	11	2000	142	2142	3411
Diocesan Parish Share	12	36830		36830	35080
Church Running Costs	13	10005		10005	9976
Ministry & Mission Costs	14	1157		1157	1961
Other Running Costs & Repairs	15	12548	22305	34853	38492
Governance Costs	16	1358	459	1818	1910
Other Payments	17			0	0
Sub Total		63899	22907	86805	90931

Asset and Investment Purchases

Total Payments **63899** **22097** **0** **86805** **90931**

Net Receipts / Payments

Transfer Between Funds

Cash Funds Last Year End

Cash Funds This Year End

	-11281	-2907	0	-14188	-10912
	22643	18027	0	40670	51582
	11362	15120	0	26482	40670

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Parish of St. Cuthbert, Peterlee

Charitable Giving 2025

Total £2142

Overseas Mission & Relief	Home Mission	Secular Charities
£	£	£
Leprosy Mission 142		East Durham Trust 1000 Shelter 1000
Total 142	Total 0	Total 2000

SIGNATURES

Independent Examiner: *OPM* Date: 26/3/26

Treasurer: *SLanes* Date: 1/3/26

Vice-Chair: *J.P. Buse* Date: 17/4/26

PLEASE NOTE THAT DUE TO ROUNDINGS, SOME COLUMNS MAY VARY.

*AFTER examination no material matters have come to my attention which gives me no reasonable cause to believe that members have not met requirements of Section 130 of the 2011 act and records have been kept to comply with the accounting requirements act of 2011 Act. *OPM**



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