



**DURHAM  
CATHEDRAL**

THE SHRINE OF ST CUTHBERT

**The Commemoration of  
Founders and Benefactors**

*at the heart of Durham:  
City, County and Region*

*Address: Professor Stuart Corbridge  
Vice-Chancellor  
University of Durham*

Sunday 22 November 2020  
3.30 p.m.

VOLUMUS PRÆTEREA UT EXEQUIÆ SINGULIS ANNIS  
PERPETUIS TEMPORIBUS IN ECCLESIA DUNELMENSIS,  
CONVOCATIS AD EAS DECANO OMNIBUS CANONICIS ET  
CÆTERIS MINISTRIS SCHOLARIBUS ET PAUPERIBUS, PRO  
ANIMABUS CHARISSIMORUM PROGENITORUM NOSTRORUM ET  
OMNIUM ANTIQUI CENOBII DUNELMENSIS FUNDATORUM  
ET BENEFACTORUM, VICESIMO SEPTIMO DIE JANUARIII CUM  
MISSÂ IN CRASTINO SOLENNITER CELEBRENTUR.

*Moreover it is our will that each year for all time in the cathedral church of Durham on the twenty-seventh day of January, solemn rites of the dead shall be held, together with mass on the following day, for the souls of our dearest ancestors and of all the founders and benefactors of the ancient convent of Durham, to which shall be summoned the dean, all the canons, and the rest of the ministers, scholars and poor men.*

*Cap. 34 of Queen Mary's Statutes of Durham Cathedral, 1554  
Translated by Canon Dr David Hunt, March 2014*

## Welcome

Welcome to the annual commemoration of Founders and Benefactors. This service gives us an opportunity to celebrate those whose generosity in the past has enriched the lives of Durham's great institutions today and to look forward to a future that is full of opportunity. On 27 January 1914, the then Dean, Herbert Hensley Henson, revived the Commemoration of Founders and Benefactors. It had been written into the Cathedral Statutes of 1554 but for whatever reason had not been observed for centuries.

When informing the Chapter of his decision to reinstate the Commemoration, Dean Henson wrote:

“In this solemn Thanksgiving for the many Blessings, which have been poured out on the nation in this part of England through the piety, munificence, and labours of Christian men and women during nearly thirteen centuries, from the days of S. Cuthbert to our own time, I desire earnestly that not only shall all the members of the Cathedral Foundation take their part, as indeed they are surely bound to do, but that the clergy and citizens should unite with them, publicly acknowledging their own indebtedness to the former mercies of God, of which the great Cathedral is the enduring Witness in their midst.”

Through the online streaming of this service during this time of lockdown, we welcome our civic leaders, as well as those who represent the worlds of education, business, local government, social care, charity and religious life in our city, county, diocese and wider region.

We are delighted to welcome **Professor Stuart Corbridge**, who will address us this afternoon. Professor Corbridge is a British geographer and academic specialising in geopolitics, development studies, and India. Since September 2015, he has been Vice-Chancellor and Warden of Durham University. From 2013 to 2015, he was Provost and Deputy Director of the London School of Economics. He was also Professor of International Development Studies at LSE. He will retire as Vice-Chancellor in the summer of 2021. He is a close friend of Durham Cathedral and we are very grateful to him for celebrating with us the historic and current links between the University and the Cathedral and their joint place at the heart of this City, County and Region.

## **Donations and Gift Aid**

This afternoon's act of worship is offered freely, although the costs of it are great. We invite you to consider a donation of £5.00, or whatever you can afford, which will enable the mission and ministry of this Cathedral to continue for the benefit of all the people of County Durham and the wider North-East. Please give generously; we are grateful for your support.

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*The service is sung by Durham Cathedral Choir, directed by Daniel Cook, Master of the Choristers and Organist. The organ is played by Joseph Beech, Sub-Organist.*

### **Greetings**

*At 3.25 p.m., the Vice-Dean greets the Mayor of Durham and escorts her to her seat.*

*At 3.28 p.m., the Dean greets Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of County Durham, and escorts her to her seat.*

# The Gathering

**The Acclamations** *during which a facsimile of the Lindisfarne Gospels and the Cathedral's Liber Vitae which records the generosity of benefactors are placed in the Crossing*

Bless the Lord, you servants of the Lord, who stand in the house of the Lord. Alleluia. The righteous shall be held in everlasting remembrance. Alleluia. The memory of the righteous is a blessing. Alleluia.

*Conrad Eden*

## Hymn

*Ye watchers and ye holy ones*

*sung by the Choir*

Ye watchers and ye holy ones,  
Bright Seraphs, Cherubim and Thrones,  
    Raise the glad strain, Alleluia!  
Cry out Dominions, Princedoms, Powers,  
Virtues, Archangels, Angels' choirs,  
    *Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia,*  
    *Alleluia!*

O higher than the Cherubim,  
More glorious than the Seraphim,  
    Lead their praises, Alleluia!  
Thou Bearer of the eternal Word,  
Most gracious, magnify the Lord,  
    *Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia,*  
    *Alleluia!*

Respond, ye souls in endless rest,  
Ye Patriarchs and Prophets blest,  
    *Alleluia, Alleluia!*  
Ye holy Twelve, ye Martyrs strong,  
All Saints triumphant, raise the song  
    *Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia,*  
    *Alleluia!*

O friends, in gladness let us sing,  
Supernal anthems echoing,  
Alleluia, Alleluia!  
To God the Father, God the Son,  
And God the Spirit, Three in One,  
*Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia,*  
*Alleluia!*

*Athelstan Riley*

*Ralph Vaughan Williams,*  
*using phrases from the Cologne*  
*Geistliche Kirchengesäng of 1623*

### **Bidding Prayer**

The Very Reverend Andrew Tremlett  
*Dean of Durham*

Dear friends, we are gathered together in this Cathedral Church to give thanks to almighty God for the men and women who have shaped the common life of society in Durham over the centuries and who maintain the fabric of our communities today.

We give thanks for vision and imagination, for wisdom and generosity, for hard work and skill, for commitment and example, for common purpose and faith. And we pray too for those who need our prayers: those members of our communities who feel unloved or forgotten, who are sick or who grieve, who are unemployed or homeless.

May God's wisdom inspire Cathedral, City, University and Region to share the rich resources we have been given for the benefit of all, welcome the stranger in our midst, and build a future for the children of tomorrow; that, following the example of Jesus Christ, we may each be members of one body: founders and benefactors of peace and goodwill – in whose name we pray:

All

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

*Sit*

**Psalm 93**

*sung by the Choir*

The Lord is King, and hath put on glorious apparel : the  
Lord hath put on his apparel, and girded himself with  
strength.  
He hath made the round world so sure : that it cannot be  
moved.  
Ever since the world began hath thy seat been prepared :  
thou art from everlasting.  
The floods are risen, O Lord, the floods have lift up their  
voice : the floods lift up their waves.  
The waves of the sea are mighty, and rage horribly : but yet  
the Lord, who dwelleth on high, is mightier.  
Thy testimonies, O Lord, are very sure : holiness becometh  
thine house for ever.

*Stand*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:  
world without end. Amen.

*Sit*

## First Lesson

1 Chronicles 29. 6, 10 - 18

*read by Mrs Sue Snowdon*

*HM Lord-Lieutenant of County Durham*

The leaders of ancestral houses made their freewill-offerings, as did also the leaders of the tribes, the commanders of the thousands and of the hundreds, and the officers over the king's work. Then David blessed the Lord in the presence of all the assembly; David said: 'Blessed are you, O Lord, the God of our ancestor Israel, for ever and ever. Yours, O Lord, are the greatness, the power, the glory, the victory, and the majesty; for all that is in the heavens and on the earth is yours; yours is the kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as head above all. Riches and honour come from you, and you rule over all. In your hand are power and might; and it is in your hand to make great and to give strength to all. And now, our God, we give thanks to you and praise your glorious name.'

'But who am I, and what is my people, that we should be able to make this freewill-offering? For all things come from you, and of your own have we given you. For we are aliens and transients before you, as were all our ancestors; our days on the earth are like a shadow, and there is no hope. O Lord our God, all this abundance that we have provided for building you a house for your holy name comes from your hand and is all your own. I know, my God, that you search the heart, and take pleasure in uprightness; in the uprightness of my heart I have freely offered all these things, and now I have seen your people, who are present here, offering freely and joyously to you. O Lord, the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, our ancestors, keep for ever such purposes and thoughts in the hearts of your people, and direct their hearts towards you.'

Here ends the first lesson.

*Stand*

## Magnificat

*sung by the Choir*

My soul doth magnify the Lord : and my spirit hath rejoiced in God  
my Saviour.

For he hath regarded : the lowliness of his handmaiden.

For behold, from henceforth : all generations shall call me blessed.

For he that is mighty hath magnified me : and holy is his Name.

And his mercy is on them that fear him : throughout all generations.

He hath shewed strength with his arm : he hath scattered the proud in  
the imagination of their hearts.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat : and hath exalted the  
humble and meek.

He hath filled the hungry with good things : and the rich he hath sent  
empty away.

He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel : as he  
promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed, for ever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without  
end. Amen.

*Charles Villiers Stanford in A*

*Sit*

## Second Lesson

**1 Peter 2. 4 - 10**

*read by The Right Worshipful The Mayor of Durham  
Councillor Katie Corrigan*

Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture: 'See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.' To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe, 'The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner', and 'A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall.'

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvellous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Here ends the second lesson.

**Anthem**

Blessed City

*sung by the Choir*

Blessèd city, heav'nly Salem,  
    Vision dear of peace and love,  
Who, of living stones art buildèd  
    In the height of heav'n above,  
And by Angel-hands apparel'd  
    As a bride doth earthward move.

Out of heav'n from God descending,  
    New and ready to be wed  
To thy Lord, whose love espous'd thee,  
    Fair adorn'd shalt thou be led;  
All thy gates and all thy bulwarks  
    Of pure gold are fashionèd.

Bright thy gates of pearl are shining,  
    They are open evermore;  
And, their well-earn'd rest attaining,  
    Thither faithful souls do soar.  
Who for Christ's dear Name in this world  
    Pain and tribulation bore.

Many a blow and biting sculpture  
    Polish'd well those stones elect,  
In their places now compacted  
    By the heav'nly Architect.  
Nevermore to leave the Temple.  
    Which with them the Lord hath deck'd.

To this Temple, where we call thee,  
Come, O Lord of Hosts, today;  
With thy wonted loving-kindness  
Hear thy servants as they pray;  
And thy fullest benediction  
Shed within its walls alway. Amen.

*Latin, from the plainsong hymns*

*Edward Bairstow*

Urbs beata Jerusalem *and* Angularis fundamentum,  
*c 7th century, translated by John Mason Neale*

## **The Address**

Professor Stuart Corbridge  
*Vice-Chancellor*

## **The Pilgrimage**

Dean            Let us give thanks to God for those who have created and  
shaped the life of our region.

*During the hymn, the Bishop and the Dean together with the Lord-Lieutenant, Mayor  
and Vice-Chancellor make a pilgrimage to the Shrine of Saint Cuthbert, while the  
Choir and other clergy make their way to the Chapel of the Nine Altars*

**Hymn**            *Ring Christ, ring Mary, Benedict and Bede*            *sung by the Choir*

Ring Christ, ring Mary, Benedict and Bede,  
With Michael, till our hearts from sin be freed;  
Ring Cuthbert, Oswald, Margaret and Hild,  
Till, blessed Lord, our hearts with joy be filled.

Let bells peal forth the universal fame,  
Creator Lord, of thy mysterious name;  
Conscience within, the boundless heavens above,  
Disclose to faith the hidden name of Love.



*The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and there shall no torment touch them. In the sight of the unwise they seemed to die; but they are in peace.*

*from Wisdom 3*

*Charles Villiers Stanford*

*Silence*

Bishop            Gracious Lord, we thank you for your servant Cuthbert, in life a minister of your grace, in death a channel of your glory. Grant that in the glad company of your saints we may journey on in faith, and at the last be brought home to your dwelling-place in joy; through our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

**All                Amen.**

Bishop            Let everything that has breath,  
praise the Lord and give him glory.

**All                Most glorious Lord of life, we acclaim you!**

Most glorious Lord of life, we acclaim you!  
This ancient cathedral praises you.  
This city and county praise you.  
The people of this land of the North-East praise you.  
**Most glorious Lord of life, we acclaim you!**

The darkness and daylight praise you.  
The seven days and stars praise you.  
The puffins and the seals;  
the cuddy ducks and dolphins praise you.  
The lapping waves and the roaring seas praise you.  
**Most glorious Lord of life, we acclaim you!**

The holy Gospels and Celtic legends praise you.  
The visions of the young and the dreams of the old praise you.  
The workers of land and commerce praise you.  
The created order and all that is in it praise you.  
**Most glorious Lord of life, we acclaim you!**

**Act of Dedication to the North East  
and the Common Good**

*led by the Dean*

Let us commit ourselves to the flourishing of Durham: City, County and Region, in response to our love of God and our love of neighbour.

Will you work together for the building up of faith and hope in this part of God's world?

**All**

**We will.**

Will you encourage local communities to thrive by your words and deeds?

**We will.**

Will you welcome visitors and strangers alike to the mutual benefit of our region and its people?

**We will.**

As God has moved you to generosity of spirit, may he provide for you the means to do these good things, that together we may build on the foundations of our ancestors, prosper the work of their hands and enjoy the benefit of God's love.

**The Blessing**

The Bishop

Bishop

Our help is in the name of the Lord:

**All**

**who has made heaven and earth.**

Blessed be the name of the Lord:

**now and for ever. Amen.**

May God, to whose glory this Cathedral was raised, bless and prosper its ministry.

**Amen.**

May God, through his tender love and mercy, grant that none who enter this place may miss the true knowledge of himself, whose truth is in Jesus Christ.

**Amen.**

May God, who created us in his image to be a mirror of the triune Majesty, pour out his abundant blessing upon us and upon this region.

**Amen.**

May the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always.

**Amen.**

**Voluntary**      Allegro Maestoso (Sonata in G)      *Edward Elgar*

*During the Voluntary, the procession departs*

*After the Voluntary, a member of the clergy will pray the following Litany and read out the names of those people who have recently been added to the Cathedral's Liber Vitae. Please wait for the Voluntary to finish and join us for this moment of prayer.*

## **A Litany of Thanksgiving**

For Aidan and Cuthbert, and all who carry the gospel to this and other lands.

For Edwin and Oswald, the first Christian kings of the Northumbrians, and for all who wield power as servants of God.

For Margaret of Scotland, Queen, Philanthropist and scholar ; for Abbess Hilda of Whitby, and for all women who bring leadership and scholarship within the life of society.

For Bernard Gilpin, Apostle of the North, and for all who bring the faith of Christ alive for each generation.

Let us bless the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

For Aldhun, first Bishop of Durham, and all faithful ministers of word and sacrament in every generation.

For William of St Calais, Ranulph Flambard and Richard Le Poor, and for all who participated in building this Cathedral.

For priors Turgot, Thomas of Melsonby, John of Washington and Thomas Castell, and for the monastic inheritance of this Cathedral.

For Thomas of Hatfield and Walter Skirlaw and for all who, through human skill and craftsmanship, renew our vision of the mystery of God.

For deans Richard Hunt, John Sudbury, and George Waddington; for Bishop John Cosin, and for all who renew and beautify this Cathedral.

For William Smith, John Bacchus Dykes, Cyril Alington and Conrad Eden, and for all who praise God through music and poetry, through drama and dance, in art and literature.

Let us bless the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

For Bede, 'the Father of English learning', for Biscop and Ceolfrid, and for all who established North-East England and this city as a renowned centre of education.

For Thomas Langley, who founded schools in this city; for all schools and places of learning in this region, for all who enable minds to grow and develop. For Joseph Butler, Joseph Barber Lightfoot, and Brooke Foss Westcott, and for all who reveal to us the depths of God's wisdom.

For the University of Durham; for William van Mildert, Charles Thorp and all whose vision and generosity led to its founding; for all who have served it faithfully, and whose wisdom and leadership have enriched the University's life and work.

For Hensley Henson, David Jenkins and for all who preach the word of God and influence Church and society. For Oliver Chase Quick, Ian Ramsey and Michael Ramsey, and for all whose teaching kindles and strengthens faith.

For all places of learning; for the Universities and Colleges of our region which broaden the horizon of human knowledge and understanding.

Let us bless the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

For our City and County; for all who serve it and work for the good of all.

For Hugh of Le Puiset who granted the city its first charter, and founded Christ's Hospital at Sherburn; and for all who enhance our City and County life, through business and opportunity.

For Robert Stichill, founder of the Hospital of God at Greatham, and for all medics who work to bring healing and care in our region.

For Nathaniel Lord Crewe, and for all whose generosity and charitable services enrich the lives of others.

For Granville Sharp and Josephine Butler, and all who work to transform society and bring liberation to all people.

For William Crawford and all members of the Durham Miners' Association; for Peter Lee, and for all those men and women who served in the collieries and pit communities of County Durham and the North-East.

Let us bless the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

For our region; for its rich diversity, let us give thanks.

For those who toil the land and roam the sea; for those who give of themselves in the field of agriculture.

For those who invest in our communities; providing employment and skills.

For those whose achievements on track and field inspire the next generation to sporting greatness.

Let us bless the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

For our culture and heritage; inspired by our past and hopeful for our future.

For our communities and those who serve them; the shopkeepers and traders, the police and the fire service; community groups and charities.

For our sisters and brothers in faith; for all people of goodwill; that through our understanding we may work together for the common good.

For our young people, that they may be given opportunities to grow and develop in our region.

For those marginalized in our society; that we may embrace them and enable them to flourish.

For women and men in this and every generation, whose names are known to God alone.

For ourselves, that we may find inspiration in those gone before, so that we may make God known in our own generation.

Let us bless the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

For all that is past, and for all that is to come.

Let us bless the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## **Liber Vitae**

*This year, the following people's names were added to the Cathedral's Liber Vitae ('Book of Life') which records the generosity of the Cathedral's benefactors:*

### **Generosity in Giving**

Allchurches Trust  
Graham and Joanna Barker  
Peter and Jayne Cook  
Durham Cathedral Choir Association  
Friends of Cathedral Music  
Friends of Durham Cathedral  
Genesis Foundation  
Adrienne E Kaye  
The Church Commissioners  
The National Lottery Heritage Fund  
Isabella Clark Tong

### **Faithful in Service**

Judith Robina Clegg  
Paul Copeland  
Alan Draper  
Roger Haselhurst  
Robert Walton Lawson  
Suzanne McIvor  
Margaret Wilson

Let us bless the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## Special Services during Advent and Christmas

### November

**Saturday**    28    6.00 p.m.    An Advent Procession with Carols: **no public attendance—pre-recorded service only**

### December

**Sunday**        13    3.30 p.m.    The Blessing of the Crib and Lighting of the Christmas Tree: **no public attendance—live-stream only**

**Tuesday**      22    6.00 p.m.    Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols: **no public attendance—pre-recorded service only**

**CHRISTMAS EVE**    11.00 p.m.    Midnight Eucharist: **Booking Required via the Cathedral website's What's On page**  
*Preacher:* The Bishop

**CHRISTMAS DAY**    8.30 a.m.    Morning Prayer: **no public attendance—live-stream only via the Cathedral's Facebook page**

9.30 a.m.    Sung Eucharist: **Booking Required via the Cathedral website's What's On page**  
*Preacher:* The Dean

11.30 a.m.    Sung Eucharist: **Booking Required via the Cathedral website's What's On page**  
*Preacher:* The Dean

3.30 p.m.    Evensong: **no public attendance—pre-recorded service only**

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