

The Parish Church of St. Aidan, Bamburgh



Introduction to churchyard memorials

Following your recent bereavement can I first assure you of the continued thoughts and prayers of the people of St Aidan's. We pray that you will know the strength and support of God in Jesus in these difficult days and that the promise of life eternal brings both comfort and hope.

As the days unfold you will begin to think about a memorial stone or an additional inscription for the grave of your loved one. Our local stonemasons should be able to guide you in choosing an appropriate memorial and inscription, and will then apply to the parish for permission on your behalf.

You are of course more than welcome to speak to the vicar directly about this if you wish, but he will hear from the stonemason of your request. The stonemason is aware of the diocesan and parish regulations with regard to memorials and inscriptions and should help you in following these guidelines.

These can be found directly on the diocesan website www.newcastle.anglican.org/ they can also be seen via St Aidan's website www.staidan-bamburgh.co.uk/

If you are in any doubt please do speak to the vicar.

In addition you will find inside the church of St Aidan a memorial book with the names of the departed inscribed in it. Each day of the year the page is turned so that we read the names of our loved ones on the anniversary of their death.

If you would like to have the names of your departed relatives or friends written into this memorial book then please do write to the vicar. There is a small charge (currently £20) to cover the cost of the calligrapher.

God be in my head
And in my understanding
God be in my eyes
And in my looking
God be in my mouth
And in my speaking
God be in my heart
And in my thinking
God be at my end
And at my departing.

(Walford Davies)

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