THE CHURCHES OF DUNNINGTON, STOCKTON-ON-THE-FOREST, WARTHILL & HOLTBY



NEWSLETTER



Sunday 24th December : 4th Sunday of Advent & Christmas Eve

2 Samuel 7.1-11,16; Romans 16.25-end; Luke 1.26-38

Services & Meetings

St Nicholas, Dunnington

10.30 am Benefice Holy Communion

Revd Peter Moorhouse

5.00 pm Crib Service

Revd Nick Bird & Mrs Judith Hewitt

11.30 pm Midnight Mass

Revds Nick Bird & Rachel Muthoni

Methodist Church, Dunnington

10.30 am Holy Communion

Revd Rachel Muthoni

Holy Trinity, Stockton

4.00 pm Crib Service

Revd Canon Terry Joyce

& Revd Debbie Coyne

11.30 pm Midnight Mass

Revd Canon Terry Joyce

St Mary's, Warthill

3.00 pm Crib Service

Revd Nick Bird

Holy Trinity, Holtby

7.00 pm Holy Communion

Revd Debbie Coyne

Midweek This Fortnight: 26 Dec - 6 Jan

Wednesday 27 December

9.00 am Holy Communion : St Nicholas, Dunn10.00 am Holy Communion : Holy Trinity, Stockton

Saturday 23 December

10.15 am Morning Coffee: Methodist Church, Dunn

Wednesday 3 January

9.00 am Holy Communion: St Nicholas, Dunn
10.00 am Holy Communion: Holy Trinity, Stockton
7.30 pm Christian Meditation Group: St Nich, D

Saturday 6 January

10.15 am Morning Coffee: Methodist Church, Dunn

Monday 25th December: Christmas Day

Titus 3.4-7; Luke 2.8-20

Services & Meetings

St Nicholas, Dunnington

10.30 am Holy Communion

Revd Nick Bird

Holy Trinity, Stockton

10.30 am Morning Prayer

Revd Canon Terry Joyce & Revd Debbie Coyne

St Mary's, Warthill

9.00 am Holy Communion

Revd Nick Bird & Mr Malcolm Smith



Sunday 31st December: 1st Sunday of Christmas

Isaiah 61.10-62.3; Galatians 4.4-7; Luke 2.15-21

Services & Meetings

St Nicholas, Dunnington

10.30 am United Benefice Holy Communion Revd Brian Pearson

St Mary's, Warthill

6.00 pm Nine Lessons & Carols

Mr Malcolm Smith

PTO for services on Sunday 7th January

Sunday 7th January: Epiphany

Isaiah 60.1-6; Ephesians 3.1-12; Matthew 2.1-12

St Nicholas, Dunnington

8.00 am Holy Communion 10.30 am Holy Communion

2.30 pm Star Party, followed by...

4.00 pm Family Worship



Methodist Church, Dunnington

10.30 am Morning Worship

Holy Trinity, Stockton

10.30 am All Age Worship

St Mary's, Warthill

9.00 am Holy Communion



News & Notices

St Nicholas Chairs update. We had hoped our new chairs would be here for Christmas but production has been delayed at the factory due to a series of power cuts. Hopefully they will be here towards the end of January.

December



<u>Funeral</u>. The funeral of John Bond, who had been a Churchwarden at Holy Trinity, Stockton, will take place on **Friday 29th December** at 10.30 am at Holy Trinity.

<u>Sunday 31st December.</u> Come and worship together, at the end of the year, at St Nicholas Church at 10.30 am. There will be no other morning services in any of the Benefice Churches.

January

<u>Star Party and Family Worship</u>. Come and join us, at St Nicholas Church, on **Sunday 7th January** for activities and games from 2.30 pm and worship at 4.00 pm, followed by a bring and share tea.



<u>Sunday 14th January</u>. Covenant Service at the Methodist Church at 10.30 am. There will be no 10.30 Service at St Nicholas Church. All welcome at the Methodist Church.

Methodist Church dates:

- Choir rehearsals start again 8th Jan
- Prayer meetings start again 9th Jan
- Coffee Stop starts again 10th Jan
- Saturday Morning Coffee continues as usual

Week of Prayer Service Sunday 21st January at

10.30am. A joint Dunnington service at St Nicholas Church. The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is traditionally observed from the 18th to the 25th January – the octave of St. Peter and St. Paul.

Burns Night. Informal Burns Supper **Friday 26th January** 7.30 pm in the Tower Room, Dunnington. Haggis, tatties and neeps (alternative veggie haggis option) plus soup and dessert.

Bring your own drink. Dress – Smart



Casual (but feel free to wear your kilt if you wish). Tickets £5 - numbers are limited so don't delay! - contact Diane 07951 582672.

<u>Reel2Real Film Club</u> Friday 26th January at 7 pm in the Methodist Church. The film is 'Dunkirk'.

Could You Help?

<u>Little People Tea Rota</u>. The rota is on the board for you to add your name of you can serve drinks on a Tuesday afternoon. Thank you.



Further Afield

<u>Christmas Eve Carols by Candlelight</u> at Huby Methodist Church. **Sunday 24th December** at 6pm.

Lectionary Corner at St Nicholas

December 25th Christmas Day

December 26th St Stephen, deacon, first martyr December 27th John, Apostle and Evangelist

December 28th The Holy Innocents

December 29th Thomas Becket, Archbishop of Canterbury,

Martyr, 1170

January 1st The Naming and Circumcision of Jesus
January 2nd Basil the Great and Gregory of Nazianzus,

Bishops, Teachers of the Faith, 379 and 389

January 7th Epiphany

January 8th Baptism of Christ

January 12th Aelred of Hexham, Abbot 1167

January 13th Hilary, Bishop of Poitiers, Teacher of the

Faith 367

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