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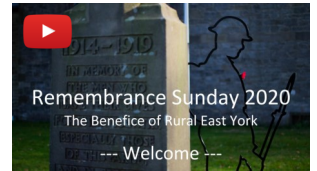
Sunday 8 November - Remembrance

Amos 5.18-24; Matthew 25.1-13



Online Service for Remembrance Sunday

A service of remembrance, peace and reconciliation, including a homily from Revd Keith Albans, will be shared on our YouTube channel www.youtube.com/channel/UC_10sXmB7N5CKsD60_eRXjg.



Acts of Remembrance at the War Memorials

There will also be an Act of Remembrance at the war memorials in both Stockton and Dunnington churchyards on Sunday 8 November. In both places, the ceremony will begin at 10.45am and will be relatively short and wholly outside. Facemasks must be worn and social distancing observed. Sadly we cannot do this in Holtby or Warthill where the war memorials are inside the church buildings.



Post-service coffee & chat

Make yourself a cuppa and join us at 11.30am over Zoom for a catch up.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87423794155?pwd=YUZ0RDE4a2pOT28rUXA2UFNBQUtUQT09>



Dial-a-service 899433

You can dial in and to listen to the service at any time during the week. It's the cost of a local call and very simple to do. Dial 899433. There might be a bit of a pause as the service recording uploads (15-20 seconds). Enjoy!



Poppies - a reflection by Revd Canon Terry Joyce

We had a Poppy blitz in our garden this year. Debbie collected an abundance of seeds from last year's flowers and scattered the seeds liberally wherever we could. The result was a cacophony of colour! Hopefully, the legacy will be that poppies will continue to grow for many years to come.

At this time of the year, we are mainly focussed on red ones. The symbol is one of remembrance and hope, deriving from their growth in the desolate battlefields of the First World War. These resilient flowers flourished amid so much chaos and destruction, growing in abundance.

Just as poppies become established in their growth, the horrors of war, and the price paid for our freedom and security, should be engrained in our public

consciousness through the generations.

The Poppy worn by many is powerfully iconic and helps with that. We expect to see public figures wearing them in the 3 weeks before 11th November. The British Legion, which makes and sells poppies as a fundraiser to support armed service veterans states "wearing a poppy is still a very personal choice, reflecting individual experiences and personal memories. It is never compulsory but is greatly appreciated by those who it is intended to support."

Of course, it's all been very different this year and The Poppy Appeal will have suffered in many ways, not least because we have been using physical money a lot less. There may be challenges in this digital age for the British Legion to adapt



to in future days, but for now, wearing a poppy is a symbol of support and helps us to mark important memories.

But within the Church's remembrance liturgy, looking back is only a part of what we do. We also have an Act of Commitment in which we look forward and pledge ourselves to serve God and our fellow men and women in the cause of peace. That implies that we need to be actively involved – more than just poppy wearers – those who are prepared to sow and nurture seeds of peace in our lives.

Church buildings open for private prayer but not for services

Our church buildings have had to close for services of worship during the current lockdown period. However, they remain open for private prayer on the days and times listed here.

If you come in, please wear a face covering, sit in designated seats only, and observe social distancing both in the building and also when travelling to and from it. Thank you.

Parish church buildings open for private prayer

Dunnington	Thursdays 10am - 12pm, Sundays 2pm - 4pm
Warthill	Thursdays 1 - 4pm, Sundays 1pm - 4pm
Holtby	Thursdays 10am - 1pm, Sundays un 1pm - 4pm
Stockton	Wednesdays 1pm - 4pm, Sundays 1pm - 4pm

Midweek Compline (online)



Join Nick Bird and others for a quiet service of Compline every Wednesday at 7.00pm. Download the free Zoom app or join us through your web browser at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86707839332>. The Meeting ID is 867 0783 9332.

St Nicholas Church Dunnington needs YOU!

We have several vacancies to be filled at the Annual Meeting on 22 November:

Churchwarden (from early 2021)

It is time now to identify a successor to Peter Helm, who is stepping down, to fill this immensely important, fulfilling and rewarding role. Please do consider if you can take this on and speak with Peter, Carole, or Nick for more information.

PCC Members

Four to serve until the APCM in 2023 and four to serve until the APCM in 2022
Anyone interested speak to Rev Nick Bird, a churchwarden (Peter Helm and Carole White) or any current member of PCC

Representatives on Deanery Synod

Anyone interested please speak to Judith Hewitt, Joan Verrier, Alison Gilmour or Rev Nick Bird.
Nomination forms for all the above are available from Eve Scoreby or the churchwardens.

Parish Churches News & Events

No public worship in our church buildings

Our buildings have had to close for services of worship during the current lockdown period. However, the parish churches remain open twice a week for private prayer. Details overleaf

APCMs. Stockton: Tuesday 17 November, 7pm, over Zoom.
Dunnington: Sunday 22 November, 2pm, over Zoom.

St Nicholas Church ACPM Agenda and papers. These, and formal notices of both the meeting and the election of churchwardens, are now available at <https://stnicholasdunnington.org.uk/news/acpm2020.php>. If you would like a paper copy of the Annual Report and/or the full financial report, please contact Judith on 488331.

An invitation to prayer from Revd Mark Poole

Do join Mark and others for an informal time of prayer via Zoom this **Tuesday 10 November** at 7:00pm. It will be 45 mins - 1 hour max and will be an opportunity to pray for the needs of our communities, our nation and our world, and also for God's mission in our benefice.

A Zoom invitation will be sent out in advance. Please email revmarkpoole20@gmail.com to be included.

If you do not wish to join us, but would like prayer, then please let Mark know, and whether you are happy for this to be prayed for during the meeting.



Lectionary Corner

- 8 November: Remembrance Sunday
10 November: Leo the Great, Bishop of Rome, Teacher of the Faith 461
11 November: Martin of Tours, Bishop c.397
13 November: Charles Simeon, Priest, Evangelical Divine 1836

Access this week's lectionary information and prayers at: stnicholasdunnington.org.uk/news/newsletter-81120.php

Dunnington Methodist Church

Dear Friends. As you will be aware, the new lockdown (planned to last until 2nd Dec) started on Thursday 5th November. This includes closing church buildings for worship and most other activities so unfortunately the Chapel will be closed until the lockdown ends.

If there is anything we can help you with at this time please contact Diane (01904 489495) or Anne (01904 481656).

News from the Methodist Circuit

Worship resources

This week's service will be available from Sunday at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCMZlI3vyksFEonZ-EQbbhuQ>. Our webpage <https://www.yorkmethodist.org.uk/coronavirus-information.html> lists resources and services arranged locally.

NEW Circuit Evening prayer

Each evening during lockdown at 7pm there will be an opportunity to meet with others on Zoom for a short time of prayer and fellowship. This will be led by different people from around the Circuit each day. We invite anyone to join us, to see a friendly face and join together in focusing on God for a few minutes. Please contact Lois Cross Tel: 07984 019995 or email yorkcircuitoffice@gmail.com for the log in details.

Zoom Advent Course

You are invited to join an Advent course on Zoom which will be held on Mondays in Advent from 7pm-8pm. This is being hosted by Huntington Methodist Church but anyone is welcome. Please contact Revd Keith Albans (01904 499661) Email: kralbans@gmail.com for the zoom link.

Social media

Facebook Page <https://www.facebook.com/yorkmethodistcircuit/>. Facebook group <https://www.facebook.com/groups/267605153386046/>

Praying for our Circuit

The church on the Circuit Prayer Rota for 8th November is **Easingwold**. Let us thank God for the work of God in that place, and pray for the church as they consider how best to respond to God's call in this time.

At this time of remembrance, we remember places where war and unrest rage, Afghanistan, Central America Yemen, Israel and Palestine, Syria and other parts of the Middle East.

We pray for these places, for their leaders and governments, For civilians, facing injury and death, poverty and fear, For refugees and those displaced by war, that they may find security.

We pray for our armed forces, those who have served and those who still do serve,
And we look forward to the day when there will be no more war,
And when your true peace will prevail.
Amen.

Anyone is welcome to receive the Circuit News, please email yorkcircuitoffice@gmail.com.



Would you like to receive this newsletter by email? Contact Victoria on grapevine.rey@gmail.com. It is also available to download from the St Nicholas Church website at www.stnicholasdunnington.org.uk/news/

Next newsletter on **Sunday 15 November**. Items to grapevine.rey@gmail.com by **9.00 am on Thursday 12 November**