

Churches in the Benefice of Rural East York
Dunnington, Stockton-on-the-Forest, Warthill &
Holtby

NEWSLETTER



Sunday 18th September: Trinity 14 - Back to Church Sunday

Readings: Amos 8: 4-7, 1 Timothy 2: 1-7, Luke 16:1-13

Today

- 8.00am Holy Communion: St Nicholas,
Dunnington
Revd Dr C Reid
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- 10.30am Morning Worship: Holy Trinity, Stockton
John & Rhona Hall
- 4:00pm Prosecco and Praise: St Mary, Warthill
Judith Hewitt



[Online Benefice Worship](#)

This week

Monday 19 September

9.00am [Morning Prayer \(zoom\)](#)

Tuesday 20 September

- 9.00am Morning Prayer: St Mary, Warthill
- 1.45pm Little People: St Nicholas Tower Room
- 7.30pm PCC Meeting: St Nicholas Tower Room

Wednesday 21 September

- 9.00am Holy Communion: St Nicholas,
Dunnington
- 9.45am Coffee: St Nicholas Tower Room
- 7.00pm [Compline \(zoom\)](#)
- 7.30pm Christian Meditation Group: St Nicholas
Tower Room

Thursday 22 September

9.00am [Morning Prayer \(zoom\)](#)

Saturday 24 September

- 10.00 am Community Café: St Nicholas Tower
Room
- 10.30am Messy Harvest: Stockton on the Forest
Village Hall

There will be a Service of Commemoration for HM The Queen at Selby Abbey on Sunday 18th at 3pm. This is being organised in association with Selby District Council who will be inviting civic representatives from across the district and the Bishop of Selby will preach. Also at 4pm, there is a Service of Commemoration to be held in York Minster.

Next Week

Sunday 25th September: Trinity 15

- Readings: Amos 6.1a: 4-7, 1 Timothy 6: 6-19,
Luke 16: 19—end
- 10.30am Benefice Service, Holy Communion: St Mary,
Warthill



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9th September 2022

To all Church Wardens in the Archdeaconry of York

A response from the Bishop of Selby to the death of Her Majesty the Queen September 8th 2022

It is with sorrow that I join with you in mourning the death of Her Majesty the Queen at the age of 96, our longest reigning monarch. Over the past 70 years the Queen has been an anchor for our country, embodying our story and being the face of the United Kingdom. She not only served us faithfully throughout this time but has also been Head of the Commonwealth and I know, from growing up in Uganda, something of how much she was held in affection and respect across its 54 nations and 1.2 billion people who represent one third of the global population. In Selby many still recall her visit in 1969 with the late Duke of Edinburgh to Selby Abbey for the Royal Maundy Service, a rare privilege for a parish church and the town. Bearing the title of Defender of the Faith and Supreme Governor of the Church of England, she has been a public Christian, increasingly sharing what this faith meant to her in her annual Christmas Broadcast to the nations. She was the most accessible, though inscrutable, of our monarchs yet her passion for her corgis and horses was very public and something of her playfulness broke through in the Paddington Bear sketch to mark her Platinum Jubilee. A particular family memory I have is when she visited our school in Edinburgh and spoke with my brother about the stool he was making in the woodwork class. So we pray for the new King Charles and the Royal Family in their grief but we do so confident in the Easter hope of resurrection in which she put her trust. May our Servant Queen rest in peace and rise in glory.

+John Selby

The Rt Revd Dr John Thomson
Bishop of Selby

A prayer as we mourn the loss of Queen Elizabeth

Almighty God, Father of all mercies and giver of all comfort: deal graciously, we pray thee, with all those who mourn, the members of the Royal Family, this Nation and all Nations of the Commonwealth, that casting every care on thee, we may know the consolation of thy love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Benefice News And Events

Harvest in the Benefice

- Friday 23rd** 6.00pm Harvest Service @ Holtby, followed by Harvest Supper at 7pm, tickets from Chris Gladstone 488167
- Saturday 24th** 10.00am Messy Harvest @ Stockton Village Hall
- Saturday 1st** 7.00pm Harvest Supper and 'Home grown' entertainment, Tower Room, tickets from Joan Verrier
- Sunday 2nd** 10.30am Harvest Service @ Holy Trinity, Stockton
- Sunday 2nd** 10.30am Harvest Communion @ St Nicholas, Dunnington
- Sunday 2nd** 4.00pm Harvest Family Worship @ St Nicholas, Dunnington
- Sunday 9th** 10.30am Harvest Service @ St Mary, Warthill

This year our monetary gifts for Harvest will be shared between Carecent and a local foodbank. Please bring your donation to a service or give it to your churchwarden, in a marked envelope. We look forward to celebrating all God continues to give us at one of our Harvest services.

Heritage Open Days at Central: Our Grade II* listed chapel on St Saviourgate in the Centre of York will be open and extending a welcome for all. Come and discover a hidden gem in the middle of historic York. Our substantial grade II* listed chapel built in 1840, with its imposing steps (alternative entrances are available!) and portico on St Saviourgate overlooking Stonebow, is a feat of engineering in itself. Saturday 17 September: 1000-1600 and Sunday 18 September: 1200-1600

Churches Open. Our Benefice Churches will remain open for prayer and reflection until Tuesday 20th, (unless they are usually open). St Nicholas Church has a Book of Condolence, provided by the Parish Council, if you wish to sign it.

Prosecco and Praise at Warthill. An opportunity to praise God and thank those who help 'behind the scenes' at St Mary's Church on Sunday 18th September at 4.00pm.

Silver Service. This will take place at Stockton Church on Tuesday 20th September at 2.00pm.

Messy Harvest. Stockton Village Hall on Saturday 24th September from 10.30 until 12.15pm. (Includes lunch).

Sunday 25th September. Today we celebrate worship together as a Benefice at St Mary, Warthill at 10.30. There will be no other services in the benefice today. (There will be NO Evensong at Holtby. We will celebrate together at the Harvest Festival on 23rd September).

York Gospel Choir Concert. Tickets, £7.00 each, are now available from Judith, Eve and Joan, for the concert on Friday 14th October.

Bereavement Café. There will be an opportunity to remember a loved one, including Queen Elizabeth, at our café on Wednesday 28th September.

Sundays at Seven

From October, we're going to be holding two evening services a month at St Nick's. These will be less formal than our weekly morning services. On the second Sunday of the month, at 7pm, there will be a Prayer and Praise service. This is a chance to meet together, to sing hymns and songs of praise, to spend some time in prayer, and enjoy each other's company with. On the third Sunday of the month at 7pm, there will be a Practising Faith service. In a simple, informal service, through prayer, music, readings and discussion together, we will explore some aspect of today's world in the light of our faith. The 4pm Family Service will continue on the first Sunday of the month, with our church youth group meeting on the fourth Sunday at 7pm. We hope that these services will complement our other times of worship, and allow us to deepen our faith, our fellowship and our witness in the world. The first Prayer and Praise service will take place on the 9th October at 7pm.

Refreshments will be available. All are invited!

Thinking about being Confirmed?

I have arranged for Bishop John of Selby to conduct a confirmation service at St Nicholas church in Dunnington on Sunday 12th March 2023.

Therefore, I would like to extend a warm invitation to folks of all ages from across the benefice to attend a series of lively, engaging and informative sessions to explore and learn about the Christian faith and what it means to be a disciple of Christ. This is open to anyone, whether you wish to be confirmed or not.

The dates are as follows:

Thursday 16th February (half-term) 9:30am to 1:00pm including a light lunch

Thursday 23rd February 6:30pm to 8:30pm

Thursday 2nd March 6:30pm to 8:30pm

Thursday 9th March 6:30pm to 9:30pm

An hour on the afternoon of Saturday 11th March for a run through the service for those who will be confirmed.

If you would like to register your interest and/or would like to know more then please do email me on revmarkpoole20@gmail.com or telephone me on 01904 400910

Lectionary Corner at St Nicholas

20 September: John Coleridge Patteson, First Bishop of Melanesia and his Companions, Martyrs 1871

21 September: Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

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Next newsletter on **Sunday 25th September** [Email items to grapevine.rev@gmail.com](mailto:grapevine.rev@gmail.com) by 9.00 am on **Thursday 22nd September**