

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

NEWSLETTER

Sunday 27th November: Advent Sunday

Readings: Isaiah 2: 1-5, Romans 13: 11-14, Matthew 24: 36-44



Today

- 10.30am Holy Communion Benefice Service:
Holy Trinity, Stockton.
- 4.00pm Sung Evensong, Stamford Bridge Choir:
St Nicholas, Dunnington
- 7.00pm Re-Ignite: St Nicholas, Tower Room



[Online Benefice Worship](#)

This week

Tuesday 29 November

- 9.00am Morning Prayer: St Mary, Warthill
- 1.45pm Little People: St Nicholas Tower Room
- 7.00pm PCC Social Evening

Wednesday 30 November

- 9.00am Holy Communion: St Nicholas,
Dunnington
- 9.45am Bereavement cafe: St Nicholas Tower
Room
- 10.30am Holy Communion: Holy Trinity, Stockton
- 7.00pm [Compline \(zoom\)](#)

Saturday 3 December

- 10.00am Community cafe

Next Week

Sunday 4th December : 2nd Sunday in Advent

Readings: Isaiah 11.1-10: Romans 15.4-13: Matthew 3.1-12

- 8.00am Holy Communion: St Nicholas, Dunnington
- 10.30am Holy Communion, Patronal: St Nicholas, Dunnington
- 10.30am Christingle Service: Holy Trinity, Stockton
- 4.00pm Christingle Service: St Nicholas, Dunnington

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 8:30pm

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.

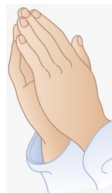
Rev'd Mark



Praying for the Benefice

May Your Holy Spirit guide us during this time, of
vacancy, and may He direct those who
make decisions for the future.

Amen



Benefice News And Events

Advent Sunday, 27th November. Today there is a Benefice Service at Holy Trinity, Stockton on the Forest at 10.30am.

Sung Evensong. Advent Sunday, 27th November. Today at 4.00pm there is Evensong at St Nicholas, sung by Stamford Bridge Singers.

PCC Plus Get-together. Please don't forget to let Judith know if you are coming on Tuesday 29th November.

Bereavement Café. We look forward to welcoming all who have been bereaved, whether recently or longer ago, to our next Light a Candle café on Wednesday 30th November from 9.45 until 11.15, at St Nicholas Church.

St Nicholas Advent Clean. If you can spare some time on Saturday 3rd December, between 1.30 and 4.00 to come and clean the Church ready for the Christmas Celebrations we would love to see you.

Christingle Services are taking place on Sunday 4th December, 10.30 at Stockton and 4.00 at Dunnington and on 11th at 10.30 at Warthill. We will be making Christingles in the Tower Room on Friday 2nd from 3.30 until about 4.15. Please take a collecting candle from St Nicholas Church for your donation to the Children's Society.

Benefice Prayer Meeting. The next one is on Monday 12th December at 7pm. It will take place live at Fair View, Warthill. YO19 5XW and all are very welcome.

St Nicholas Church Bible Readers. We are about to produce the next rota from 1st January to 30th April. If you would like to read in Church and are not on the current rota, please let Judith know, also let her know if you would rather not read now. If you would like to join the intercessor's rota, please also speak to Judith or Mark. Could you respond by 30th November please?

Christmas Tree Festival. St Helen's Church, Escrick on 1st, 2nd, and 3rd December, from 10.00 to 4.00.

Supermarket Vouchers. We are collecting vouchers for IDAS (Women's Refuge) as part of St Nicholas Celebrations. Please could you let Judith Hewitt have your vouchers by 11th December.

Thank you.

The Bird Family. Nick, Diane and the family have now moved so please do not put anything in the Rectory letter box for them.

St Mary's Church Warthill

A BIG THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO HELPED AND SUPPORTED THE COFFEE MORNING IN AID OF LOCAL FOOD BANKS.



THE SUM OF £574. 75P WAS RAISED IN ADDITION TO DONATIONS OF A CAR LOAD OF FOOD AND TOILETRIES WHICH WILL BE DELIVERED TO THE FOOD BANK WAREHOUSE.

Benefice Christmas Card. The cards will not be in our Churches ready for delivery on Sunday, but if you are passing during the week could you call and get a street or two as the first events are Christingle services on 4th December. Thank you.

Julia's Garden. There are cooking apples in the garden, please take a bag and help yourself.

Please pray for

All those people across the four parishes in our Benefice who are working on drawing up a profile document of our Benefice. A lot of work has already been done, on information regarding our individual parishes, but we would appreciate your prayers particularly on the evening of Thursday 1st December when we are meeting up to agree how we present the Benefice in this document, which will go out to prospective applicants.

Thank you.

pray. wait. *trust*.

Lectionary Corner at St Nicholas

30 November: Andrew the Apostle.

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To receive the Methodist Circuit News, please contact the office by email yorkcircuitoffice@gmail.com or phone 07984 019995.

Next newsletter on **Sunday 4th December** [Email items to grapevine.rev@gmail.com](mailto:grapevine.rev@gmail.com) by 9.00 am on **Thursday 1st December**