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

NEWSLETTER Sunday 29th January: Candlemas

Readings: Malachi 3.1-5: Hebrews 2.14-18: Luke 2.22-40



# <u>Today</u>

10.30am Benefice Holy Communion: St Mary, Warthill

Rev Mark Poole & Judith Hewitt

Online Benefice Worship

## <u>This week</u>

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### Tuesday 31 January

9.00amMorning Prayer: St Mary, Warthill1.45pmLittle People: St Nicholas Tower Room

## Wednesday 1 February

9.00am	Holy Communion: St Nicholas, Dunnington
9.45am	Coffee: St Nicholas Tower Room
10.00am	Holy Communion: Holy Trinity, Stockton
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7.00pm <u>Compline (zoom)</u>

## Saturday 4 February

10.00 am Community café: St Nicholas Tower Room, Dunnington

This thought was shared with Judith, who passes it on to you. When we are happy, when we are full of fun and laughter, God welcomes us.	l t r a
When we are angry, when people let us down, God welcomes us.	
When we are tired, when we need to stop and curl up and rest, God welcomes us.	r
God of welcome, your door is always open. We are glad to meet you here.	j /

(Ruth Burgess)

# <u>Next Week</u>

#### Sunday 5th February: 3rd Sunday before Lent

Readings: Isaiah 58.1-9a[b-12]. 1 Corinthians 2.1-12[13-16]. Matthew 5.13-20

8.00am Holy Communion: St Nicholas, Dunnington10.30am Holy Communion: St Nicholas, Dunnington10.30am Morning Worship: Holy Trinity, Stockton

Reverend Mark Poole will be licenced as Priest-in-Charge of the Barmby Moor Benefice by the Right Reverend John Thompson, Bishop of Selby, on Monday the 13th March at 7:30pm at St Catherine's Church, Barmby Moor.

If anyone would like to go along and support Mark and Emma then they would love to welcome friends from the Benefice here to attend the service.

#### Welcome to Lent Talks 2023

This year St Nicholas, Dunnington will be hosting a series of 5 Lent Talks, where we will have the opportunity to listen and talk to representatives of various faith groups. Our speakers are all members of York Interfaith Group who meet on a monthly basis and whose aim is to promote understanding, inclusion and mutual respect amongst those of all faiths and none.

### The meetings will be held at St Nicholas Church 7.00—8.30pm om Tuesday evenings.

You are most welcome to attend any or all of the meetings. (Refreshments provided).

For further information contact: John Vernon jmvwxyz@gmail.com or Anne Castle am.castle@btopenworld.com

# **Benefice News And Events**

**Coffee after our Services.** Jesus shared fellowship with others at meal and refreshment times. We, in our churches, want to offer that same time of fellowship. If you are able to help set up and serve tea and coffee either sign the list (at St Nicholas) or speak to your churchwarden. At St Nicholas we would also like someone, or some people, to check the rota as they arrive at Church to make sure tea and coffee will be served, thank you.

Home Bible Study Group is meeting again on alternate Wednesdays @ 2pm in various homes. Wednesday 8th February at 26 Gay Meadows, everyone very welcome.

Warthill 100 Club. This is our main fundraiser for the church. Tickets are available from Joyce Dalby 01904 489471, Linda Birkinshaw 01904 488106 or any other member of the PCC. Tickets are £12.00 for the year. There is a monthly draw of £25.00 and two draws in December.

**Food Bank.** Warthill Church has a box for food bank donations. The Church is open daily from 10.00 until 3.00 for you to leave donations. You can always check the York Food bank web site to find their current needs.

**Parish Lunch**. The list is now in the Tower Room, but may well be full. If you would like to join us, please write your name and a contact number on the reverse and we will contact you if there is a space. I am sorry but we are not prepared to serve more than 30 lunches each time.

**Microwave.** If you know anyone who would like a 'used' microwave, please contact Judith or Barry. It has recently been PAT tested, and it would be taken free 'as seen'.

**Sunday 29th January.** We will celebrate Candlemas at the Benefice Service at Warthill at 10.30am. We will also say 'thank you' to Lisa for her ministry with us. There will also be a Deanery Candlemas Service at Wheldrake at 4.00pm

**Messy Valentine, Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> February.** We are going to plan this Messy Church event on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> January at 9.30am in the Tower Room. We would love to have your ideas.



**Music and Meditation**: Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> February, 7:00pm at Southlands Methodist. A calm, quiet space with Taizé-style singing, readings and times of silence. Followed by refreshments for those who wish.

Forthcoming Social events for your diaries! BeerN'hymnsN'pimms 23<sup>rd</sup> June. Pancake party 21<sup>st</sup> February. Jake, or young organ player is giving a *concert* on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> March at 3.00pm

York Male Philharmonic Choir 23<sup>rd</sup> September.

I am very excited that there are four people who have expressed a wish to be confirmed by the Bishop of Selby on Sunday 12th March at St Nicholas Church, Dunnington.

They are: Esther White, Grace Wilson, Alex Hall and Kristina Cussans. It will be a huge privilege and joy to prepare them for confirmation over the next few weeks, and to also return to St Nicholas to present them to the Bishop and to support them on the day. Please would you join me in praying for them over the next few weeks, and for Judith, who will also be supporting the candidates?

Thank you

Revd Mark

# Lectionary Corner at St Nicholas

29 January: Presentation of Christ in the Temple (Candlemas)

30 January: Charles, King and Martyr 1649 3 February: Anskar, Archbishop of Hamburg, Missionary in Denmark and Sweden 865



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