

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

NEWSLETTER

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



Today

8.00am Holy Communion: St Nicholas,
Dunnington *Rev. Dr C. Reid*

10.30am Holy Communion: St Nicholas,
Dunnington *Ven. Sam Rushton*

10.30am Morning Worship: Holy Trinity,
Stockton *John and Rhona Hall*

This week

Tuesday 7th February

9.00am Morning Prayer: St Mary, Warthill

1.45pm Little People: St Nicholas Tower Room

Wednesday 8th February

9.00am Holy Communion: St Nicholas,
Dunnington

9.45am Coffee: St Nicholas Tower Room

10.00am Holy Communion: Holy Trinity,
Stockton

7.00pm [Compline \(zoom\)](#) **zoom**

Saturday 11th February

10.00 am Community café: St Nicholas Tower
Room, Dunnington

New Communications Officer

We are delighted to say we have appointed Helen Cross to take on this role for St Nicholas Church and to also work across the Benefice. She will be working in the Church office on a Thursday.

Grapevine deadline

Please make sure you send all information to Helen for the March Grapevine by **Wednesday 8th February** at grapevine.rey@gmail.com

Next Week

Sunday 12th February: 2nd Sunday before Lent

Readings: Genesis 1.1—23. Romans 8.18-25. Matthew 6.25-34

9.00am Holy Communion: Holy Trinity, Holtby

10.30am Morning Worship: St Nicholas, Dunnington

10.30am Holy Communion: Holy Trinity, Stockton

10.30am All Age Service: St Mary, Warthill

12:30pm Holy Communion: St Nicholas, Dunnington

7:00pm Sunday@7: St Nicholas, Dunnington

Sunday 26th February.



On this Sunday, we will thank Mark and Emma for their ministry with us, as they prepare to move to the Barmby Moor Group of Churches.

We will have a Benefice Service at 10.30am at St Nicholas Church, followed by a 'finger food, bring and share' lunch in the Tower Room.

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 on 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 and is 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. If you find you cannot come, please cross your name off or ring Judith 488331.

Messy Valentine, Tuesday 14th February. We have lots of crafts ready, food will be supplied and a celebration around the theme that God loves us whoever we are and whatever we look like. Please tell any families you know that we would love to see them at Stockton Church at 3.00.

York Circuit Methodist Women in Britain AGM 14th Feb 2023. at Lidgett The meeting will start at 12:30pm, please bring your lunch, drinks will be provided. All are welcome.

Music and Meditation Sunday 19th 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.

Pancake Party, 21st February. We welcome everyone, of all ages to have a pancake with us from 3.00 until 5.00, in the Tower Room. If you could help make pancakes, during the event, please speak to Judith or Eve.

Poppleton Panto. The popular Poppleton pantomime this year is "Puss in Boots" on 16th – 18th February. Evening performances are at 7:30 p.m. and there is also a matinee performance on Saturday afternoon at 2:30 p.m. Tickets are available now, adults £8, children £6, from Sheila Middleton 07952511445 or 01904 595826 or email sheilajohn415@gmail.com

Ash Wednesday, 22nd February.

The Bishop of Selby will be our celebrant and preacher for the Benefice Service at 7.00pm at St Nicholas Church. Come and begin Lent with us.

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

There are no Saints' Days this week so prayers will be displayed at Lectionary Corner.



To receive newsletters by email, contact grapevine.rey@gmail.com. Also available on the St Nicholas Church website and in St Nicholas Church.

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

Next newsletter on **Sunday 12th February** Email items to grapevine.rey@gmail.com by 9.00 am on **Thursday 9th February 2023**