

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

NEWSLETTER



Sunday 1st February, 2026

Readings: Malachi 3:1-5; Luke 2:22-40

Sunday 1st February: Candlemas

9:00am BCP Holy Communion,
St Nicholas, Dunnington

10:30am All Age Holy Communion,
St Mary, Warthill

Sunday 8th February:

9:00 am Traditional Holy Communion, St. Mary,
Warthill

10.30am Traditional Holy Communion,
Holy Trinity, Stockton

10:30am Morning Worship,
St. Nicholas, Dunnington

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

Week commencing 1st February:

Monday 2nd February:

1:00 pm Stockton/Forest Craft Group,
Holy Trinity, Stockton

Tuesday 3rd February:

9:00 am Morning Prayer, St. Mary, Warthill
10:30 am Little People Play and Praise,
Tower Room, St. Nicholas

Wednesday 4th February:

9:00 am Holy Communion, followed by
coffee, St. Nicholas, Dunnington
10:00 am BCP Holy Communion, Holy Trinity,
Stockton

7:00 pm Evening Prayer via Zoom

Saturday 7th February:

Community Cafe, Tower Room,
St. Nicholas, Dunnington



Candlemas

The Deanery Candlemas Service has been cancelled. Everyone is now invited to a service of welcome for our new Archdeacon of York, Liz Hassall, on the Feast of Candlemas, when Liz will preach, as we remember the Presentation of Christ in the Temple as a light to the nations.

Sunday 1st February at 2.00 pm, Selby Abbey



If you wish to attend, please let Alison
(allie.48@yahoo.com) or Kath know.

FLOURISH: Please consider attending this local Christian festival for all ages at York University, 13th-15th February, 2026. It is entitled "Woven Threads" - there are brochures on the table in the Tower Room. You could just attend on the Saturday only for £25.

People can also offer to be a volunteer, in which case the cost of their ticket is refunded.

Website:

<https://www.yorkshirenemethodist.org/flourish26/>

St Nicholas Church Dunnington

PANCAKE PARTY

17TH FEBRUARY
3PM



This is for people of all ages, there will be activities and crafts for children and families as well

FOR GENERAL ENQUIRIES, PLEASE CONTACT REV. KATH MCBRIDE AT
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This year's resources from The Church of England are similar to last year's 'rhythm of life' – featuring habits and patterns which help us grow as disciples of Christ day by day, especially as we prepare to celebrate the great mystery of God's saving love at Easter. During Lent, the booklet reflections will be centered around a summary of the Christian Way from Common Worship, which identifies six activities essential to our calling as disciples.

Each week a different contributor will explore a different aspect of Christian discipleship –worshipping together, praying, exploring the Bible, sharing communion, offering service and sharing the good news with others.

A parallel 40-day challenge for families and children will also be available -exploring the life-giving habit of generosity in partnership with 40acts. There is a daily reflection booklet for adults and a daily challenge booklet for families. Kath has one copy of each for people to look at, but if you could register your interest, we would order them in bulk.

The Benefice Prayer Group will meet on Tuesday February 10th at 7pm at Fair View, Warthill YO19 5XW to pray for the needs of the Benefice and our communities and the needs of the world.
Please do come and join us.

Pancake Party

If you are willing to help make pancakes, in the Tower Room kitchen, on 17th February, please speak to Eve or Judith.
All ingredients will be provided.

Parish Lunch

The list is now in the Tower Room to sign, if you would like to join us for lunch on Sunday 8th February.
There will be a Communion Service at 12.30.



Benefice Safeguarding Team:

Mary Murray – Benefice Safeguarding Adviser
Joanne Muller – Policies and Parish Dashboard
Eve Scoreby – DBS Checks and Safeguarding Training Records

In the first instance please contact Mary Murray -
Tel: 01904 488441

In her absence, please contact:
The Reverend Kath McBride -
E-mail: revkmcbride@gmail.com/Tel: 01904 489349

Lectionary Corner at St Nicholas

- 1 February: Presentation of Christ in the Temple (Candlemas)
- 3 February: Anskar, Archbishop of Hamburg, Missionary in Denmark and Sweden 865

