

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

# NEWSLETTER



SUNDAY 4th January, 2026

*NEW SERVICE PATTERN COMMENCES*

Readings: Isaiah 60: 1-6; Matthew 2: 1-12

## Sunday 4th January: Epiphany

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

10:30 am All-Age Communion, St. Mary, Warthill

## Sunday 11th January: Christ's Baptism

9:00 am BCP Holy Communion,  
Holy Trinity, Holtby

10:30 am Holy Communion, Holy Trinity, Stockton

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

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

7:00 pm Covenant and Communion Service,  
St. Nicholas, Dunnington

## Week Commencing 4th January:

### Monday 5th January:

1:00 pm Stockton-on-the-Forest Craft Group,  
Holy Trinity, Stockton

### Tuesday 6th January:

9:00 am Morning Prayer, St. Mary,  
Warthill

10:30 am Little People Play and Praise,  
The Tower Room, St. Nicholas,  
Dunnington



### Wednesday 7th January:

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 10th January:

10:00 am Coffee Morning,  
Holy Trinity, Stockton

10:00 am Community Café,  
Tower Room, St. Nicholas, Dunnington



Please join us at our

## Family-friendly All-Age Communion Service

St. Mary, Warthill

Taking place on the first Sunday of every month

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES are particularly welcome

THE BENEFICE OF RURAL EAST YORK



Tower Room, St. Nicholas,  
Dunnington

7pm on 2nd and 4th Sundays

An invitation to begin the New Year with a commitment or re-commitment to God and a new assurance of His blessing for the Year ahead:- a Methodist Covenant and Communion Service. In this Service we commit or re-commit ourselves to God, and receive assurance that He will be with us in the Year ahead.

St. Nicholas Church, Dunnington

Sunday 11th January at 7.00pm

This will be led by The Rev'd. John Trevenna,  
Methodist Minister.

The Covenant Service is one of the gifts of Methodism to the whole Church. It is normally used annually, at the beginning of a New Year. It was first inaugurated in 1755, by John Wesley, one of the founders of the Methodist Movement, at that time within the Church of England.

If you have a Christian faith, or if you are seeking to know God in your life, whoever you are, you will be welcome to share in this Service.

DEANERY

# Youth gathering

SATURDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY  
7-8.30PM  
DRINKS AND DONUTS, HANGOUT SPACE  
FOR SCHOOL YEAR 9 AND ABOVE



ST NICHOLAS CHURCH,  
DUNNINGTON YORK

## CANDLEMAS

St. Helen's, Wheldrake

Sunday 1st February, 4:00 pm

Everyone welcome to join this

Deanery event,

led by our Dean, Revd Jackie Doyle-Brett



**Stockton on the Forest Craft Group**

Come and join us for tea, biscuits and friendship.

Free to attend, just come along and bring your crafts or learn new ones!

THE FIRST MONDAY OF EVERY MONTH AT 1PM



LOCATION: HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, STOCKTON ON THE FOREST, YO32 9ZE

**SUNDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> JAN**



**TOAST SUNDAY**

945am before the contemporary service

**St Nicholas Church Dunnington**




## Burns Night

Burns Night. Tickets, £10 each, are now on sale for this event, on Friday 23rd January, in the Tower Room.

Contact Eve, Judith or Joan if you would like tickets or more information.

## Woolly Repair Café

Saturday 24th January

Bring your woollies for repair to the Community Café in the Tower Room.



## Evening Prayer via Zoom

We now share this time together with the Rivers partnership, (the Wheldrake group of Churches), at 7.00pm.



PRAYERS

If you would like the new link, please contact Judith.

## 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 - revkmbride@gmail.com 01904 489349

Revd Dr Greg Hoyland is leading an online Bible Study for 6 weeks in the new year beginning on Thursday 8th January at 7.00pm, entitled Unlocking the Bible, a good way to begin our personal year.

Time: Jan 8, 2026 07:00 PM


Join Zoom Meeting:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85691141454?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85691141454?pwd=mLo6qvZQ3HHXA7azSCQ3GBBfucCzEs.1)  
pwd=mLo6qvZQ3HHXA7azSCQ3GBBfucCzEs.1

Meeting ID: 856 9114 1454

Passcode: 150297

**UNLOCKING THE BIBLE**



## Coffee after Worship at St Nicholas

We would really like some volunteers to serve coffee after our Sunday 10.30 services. If you could help please sign against a convenient Sunday, or two.

Chatting over coffee is an important time for fellowship after worship. Thank you.

## Lectionary Corner at St Nicholas:

6 January: The Epiphany

*O God, who by the leading of a star manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: mercifully grant that we, who know you now by faith, may at last behold your glory face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen*

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Next newsletter on Sunday 11th January. E-mail items to [grapevine@reychurches.org.uk](mailto:grapevine@reychurches.org.uk) by 9.00 am on Thursday 8th January.