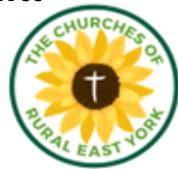


# Churches in the Benefice of Rural East York

Dunnington, Holtby, Stockton-on-the-Forest and Warthill

# NEWSLETTER



Sunday 8th February, 2026

Readings: Romans 8:18-25; Matthew 6:25-34

## 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  
12:30 pm Holy Communion, St. Nicholas, Dunnington  
7:00pm Sunday @ 7, St Nicholas, Dunnington

## Week Commencing 8<sup>th</sup> February:

### Tuesday 10th February:

9:00 am Morning Prayer, St. Mary, Warthill  
10:30 am Little People Play and Praise, Tower Room, St. Nicholas  
7:00 pm Benefice Prayer Group, Fair View, Warthill YO19 5XW

### Wednesday 11th 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

### Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February:

Deadline for Grapevine contributions



### Saturday 14th February:

10:00 am Coffee Morning, Holy Trinity, Stockton  
10:00 am Community Cafe, Tower Room, St. Nicholas, Dunnington

#### Parish Lunch

The list is now full for lunch on 8th February, but there may be last minute spaces, so do write your name and contact number on the reverse side of the list. There will be a Communion Service at 12.30.

**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.yorkshiremethodist.org/flourish26/>

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REVKMCBRIE@GMAIL.COM OR ON 01904 489349

## Sunday 15th February:

9:00am BCP Holy Communion, St Nicholas, Dunnington  
10:30am Holy Communion, Holy Trinity, Stockton  
10:30 am Morning Worship, St. Nicholas, Dunnington  
12:30 am Baptism, St. Nicholas Dunnington

## Ash Wednesday - 18th February

There will be the usual morning Communion Services, and an Ash Wednesday Service at 7.30pm at St Nicholas. Do consider coming to one of these services as we begin Lent together.

## 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.



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



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 40 acts. 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.

### Lent Reflection Books

Rev Kath has put a selection of Lent books on the St Nicholas Tower Room bookshelf. Please have a look, and borrow to read during Lent if you would like to - just let Kath know by email, message or paper note what you have.



### House Boxes - Dunnington

Please bring boxes for opening to the Tower Room on Sunday 8th March or Sunday 15th March. Alternatively, if more convenient for you, boxes can be brought at other times to 1 Greenside Walk. If you are not able to bring your box please ring me to arrange collection.

New Box Holders Always Welcome – A few spare coins each week can help fund projects to support some of the most vulnerable and disadvantaged children in the UK. If you would like to become a box holder or would like more information please contact:  
Eve Scoreby, Box Co-ordinator Dunnington, 1 Greenside Walk  
Mob: 07746 765274. Tel: 01904 489008

**House boxes held by Stockton-on-the-Forest residents** should be returned to Holy Trinity Church

### 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](mailto:revkmcbride@gmail.com)/Tel: 01904 489349

### Lectionary Corner at St Nicholas

14 February: Cyril and Methodius, Missionaries to the Slavs, 869 and 885

14 February: Valentine, Martyr at Rome 269



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Next newsletter on Sunday 15th February. Items to [grapevine@reychurches.org.uk](mailto:grapevine@reychurches.org.uk) by 9.00 am on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February.