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

Newsletter

Sunday 19th June: Trinity 1

Readings: Isaiah 65.1-9; Galatians 3.23-end; Luke 8.26-39

Today

8.00am	Holy Communion: St Nicholas, Dunnington
	Revd Canon Nick Bird
10.30am	Holy Communion: St Nicholas, Dunnington
	Revd Mark Poole
10.30am	Morning Worship: Holy Trinity, Stockton
	Revd Canon Nick Bird
10.30am	Morning Worship: St Mary, Warthill
	The Halls
2.00pm	Dunnington Methodist Chapel Final
	Service

Online Benefice Worship (YouTube)

This week

Monday	20th June	
9.00am	Mornina P	raver (zoom)

Tuesday 21st June

9.00am	Morning Prayer: St Mary, Warthill
1.45pm	Little People: St Nicholas Tower Room

Wednesday 22nd June

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

Thursday 23rd June

9.00am <u>Morning Prayer (zoom)</u>
Saturday 25th June
10.00am Community Café: St Nicholas Tower Room
10.30am Messy Church: Dunnington Reading Rooms

Sunday 26th June: Trinity 2

- Readings: 1 Kings 19.5-16, 19-end; Galatians 5.1, 13-25; Luke 9.51-end
- 10.30am Benefice Service: St Nicholas, Dunnington6.00pm Evensong: Holy Trinity, Holtby

Reflection on Luke 8:26-29 by Revd Mark Poole

This week's Gospel reading from Luke describes how Jesus healed a demon-possessed man. The man was profoundly disturbed, afflicted and tortured by a mental illness that meant he was confined to a life of miserable and hopeless isolation in the darkness of caves on the margins of society.

It is easy to imagine how thankful the man was when Jesus Christ healed him and returned him to a state of wholeness and well-being. After being deprived of his liberty, ostracised by his family, and excluded from all levels of society, his unexpected healing and release must have filled his heart and soul with unspeakable joy. Life in all its fulness had been restored to this man and so it is no wonder that he wanted to abandon everything and follow Jesus! In response to his life being returned to him, he wanted to gift his life back to the Lord. He was on a high!

But Jesus knew better. His ministry was intended to bring salvation and reconciliation to the whole world, and if everyone who was set free by Jesus' healing and teaching left everything and travelled on with him then this would not be effective in spreading the good news to others. Seeds needed to be planted in the surrounding villages and towns. By sending away the man who was healed from his demons Jesus was commissioning him and empowering him to take his story of all that God had done for him and share it with the people in his corner of the world. This would not be easy, and Jesus knew this, but the man, restored and healed and full of joy, went and did it because he believed and trusted Jesus. The Holy Spirit gave him everything he needed.

However tempting it is to 'remain on the mountain,' we have to come down to the desert plain and become a channel of God's grace wherever we live and belong. There is a world out there longing to be set free and to be healed into wholeness. And God needs us, right here and right now. The Holy Spirit will give us everything we need.

Revd Mark Poole

Parish news & events

Concert at Southlands: Southlands Methodist Church in Bishopthorpe Road, York, will host a Musical Fundraising Soiree at 6.00pm on Sunday, 26th June, in aid of the Disasters Emergency Committee, with proceeds supporting Ukrainian refugees. The soiree will feature musicians from Warminster School who will showcase their musical talent with music ranging from classical and opera to jazz and popular timeless classics. Tickets at £5.00 each (adults) and £2.00 (children under 16) can be reserved by emailing bob@southlandsmethodist.org.uk or phoning 07850 482 994.

Bee Friendly Trail: There will be a Pre-Trail Crafts and Plant sale in the Tower Room on Saturday 9th July from 10.00 until 1.00. If you have any bee-based decorations, we can sell please leave them in the box in the Tower Room. If you can provide a cake or help serve refreshments, there is a list in the Tower Room. Funds from this event and the trail, 23rd and 24th July will be shared between the DEC Ukraine Appeal and St Nicholas Building Fund.

St Nicholas Coffee Rota: There are some spaces on the rota, if you can fill one of them, thank you. Coffee after a service offers time to share and to get to know one another. If you are not sure what is involved, ask someone on the rota.

Messy Church: Do encourage our younger people and a parent to come to Messy Church in the Reading Room on Saturday 25th June from 10.30.

Sunday 26th June. Today there is a Benefice Service at St Nicholas at 10.30am. The service will include the baptism of Daniel Pomfret and we welcome Rev Nicky Gladstone as our celebrant.

Light a Candle Café: We welcome anyone who has been bereaved to our café on Wednesday 29th June from 9.45 until 11.15, in the Tower Room.There will be an opportunity to light a candle as you remember your loved one. **Beer 'n' Hymns 'n' Pimms:** Friday 8th July 2022, 7.30 pm in the Tower Room, St Nicholas Church. Come along and enjoy an evening singing some favourite hymns whilst enjoying a glass of Beer or Pimms. Alcohol-free "Pimms" or fruit juice also available. Numbers limited. Tickets £5, Under 18's £1. Available from:

Judith Hewitt 488331, Joan Verrier 481626, Eve Scoreby 489008, or Diane Benson 07951 582672

York School of Ministry (YSOM): YSOM provides courses for anyone interesting in exploring more about their faith through a range of accredited and non-accredited courses. From introductory courses on the Bible through to university level studies YSOM can tailor fit your learning to suit your discipleship or ministry needs.

This September we will be offering the Introduction to the New Testament course – you can download the leaflet from our website.

To find out more why not come along to one of our open days at the Diocesan Offices:

Thursday, 14th July 2022 – 6.00pm to 8.00pm Thursday, 18th August 2022 – 2.00pm to 4.00pm and 6.00pm to 8.00pm

For further information visit our website ysom.org.uk or contact us at ysom@yorkdiocese.org.

(You can also talk to Lou who's a current student!)

Jubilee High Tea, Weds 20th July, 1pm: Year 8 would like to invite you to a free community event as part of their Young Leaders Award. The event will take place at Archbishop Holgate's School and will include musical entertainment, free refreshments, bingo and a raffle. If you have any questions please email <u>khollinger@ahs.pmat.academy</u> or call the school on 01904 411341.

Living in Love and Faith: Derwent Deanery invite you to take part in the 'Living in Love and Faith' course to discuss What it means to be human and live in love and faith with one another. The course will be hosted at St. Helen's Church, Escrick, for 6 weeks, beginning on 13th June at 7.30pm.

Lectionary Corner at St Nicholas

- 22 June: Alban, First Martyr of Britain c. 250
- 23 June: Etheldreda, Abbess of Ely c. 678
- 24 June: Birth of John the Baptist

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Next newsletter on Sunday 26th June - please email items to grapevine.rey@gmail.com by 9.00 am on Thursday 23rd June