

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

NEWSLETTER



SUNDAYS 21st and 28th December, 2025

Readings: Isaiah 7:10-16; Matthew 1:18-25

Jeremiah 31:15-18; Matthew 2:13-23

Sunday 21st December: Advent 4

- 10:30 am Contemporary Holy Communion,
St. Nicholas, Dunnington
- 10:30 am Holy Communion, Holy Trinity, Stockton
- 5:15 pm Carols & Christingles, St. Mary, Warthill
- 7:00 pm Carol Service, St. Nicholas, Dunnington

Sunday 28th December:

- 10:30 am Benefice Holy Communion, Holy Trinity,
Stockton
- All are welcome, as we worship together as a Benefice.

Wednesday Communion Services

There will be no services at Dunnington or Stockton on
24th and 31st December

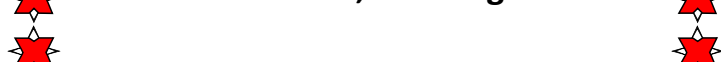


Wednesday 24th December: Christmas Eve

- 3:00 pm Celebration of Christmas,
St. Mary, Warthill
- 5:00 pm Crib Service, St. Nicholas,
Dunnington
- 5:00 pm Christingle and Crib Service,
Holy Trinity, Stockton
- 7:00 pm Christmas Holy Communion,
Holy Trinity, Holtby
- 9:00 pm Christmas Holy Communion,
Holy Trinity, Stockton
- 11:30 pm Midnight Holy Communion.
St. Nicholas, Dunnington

CHRISTMAS DAY

10:30 am Holy Communion
St. Nicholas, Dunnington



Saturdays 27th December and 3rd January:

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



NEW SERVICE PATTERN:

takes effect on 4th January, 2026

⇒ 1st Sunday

- ◇ 9.00am HC BCP, Dunnington
- ◇ 10.30am HC All Age, Warthill

⇒ 2nd Sunday

- ◇ 9.00am HC BCP, Holtby or Warthill
- ◇ 10.30am Morning Worship, Dunnington
- ◇ 10.30am HC Stockton
- ◇ Sunday@7.00, Dunnington

⇒ 3rd Sunday

- ◇ 9.00am HC BCP, Dunnington
- ◇ 10.30am HC, Stockton
- ◇ 10.30am HC Contemporary, Dunnington

⇒ 4th Sunday

- ◇ 10.30am Morning Worship, Stockton
- ◇ 10.30am HC Traditional, Dunnington
- ◇ 4.00pm Evensong, Holtby
- ◇ Sunday@7.00, Dunnington

DEANERY

Youth gathering

SATURDAY 24TH JANUARY

7-8.30PM

DRINKS AND DONUTS, HANGOUT SPACE
FOR SCHOOL YEAR 9 AND ABOVE



ST NICHOLAS CHURCH,
DUNNINGTON YORK

THE BENEFICE OF RURAL EAST YORK

SUNDAY @ 7

SINGING WORSHIP SONGS
INFORMAL 'TABLE TALK' CONVERSATIONS WITH CAKE
PRAYER
AND ANOTHER PORTION OF SINGING (AND CAKE!)

2ND AND 4TH SUNDAYS, 7-8PM
ST NICHOLAS TOWER ROOM
ALL VERY WELCOME!



Little People Play and Praise

Every Tuesday during term-time—**NEW 10:30 am START-TIME**

For pre-school children and a carer

£1 per session, includes hot drink for adults and a cold drink for the little ones

St Nicholas Church Cleaners

We are fortunate to have a small band of volunteers who work in pairs once a month to clean the main body of our ancient church. This basically involves dusting and vacuuming and takes about 2 hours. At present each pair of volunteers is scheduled to do this task once every 3 months. If you would like to volunteer to join this group, please let me know – there are sometimes occasions when a volunteer of our current group has had health problems or other commitments, which have meant that the remaining volunteer has more to do. If you would like to volunteer to provide this occasional, but much appreciated service, please get in touch with Carole White (07508834565)



YOU'RE INVITED!

All-age holy communion service

10.30AM
ON THE FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH
ST MARY, WARTHILL

Children and their families are particularly
welcome!

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 - revkmcbride@gmail.com 01904 489349

Lectionary Corner at St Nicholas:

25 December: Christmas Day
26 December: Stephen, Deacon, First Martyr
27 December: John, Apostle and Evangelist
8 December: The Holy Innocents
29 December: Thomas Becket, Archbishop of Canterbury, Martyr 1170
1 January: The Naming and Circumcision of Jesus
2 January: Basil the Great and Gregory of Nazianzus, Bishops, Teachers of the Faith, 379 and 389



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To receive the Methodist Circuit News, please contact the office by e-mail—yorkcircuitoffice@gmail.com or phone 07984 019995.
Next newsletter on Sunday 4th January. E-mail items to grapevine@reychurches.org.uk by 9.00 am on Tuesday 30th December.