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

# **NEWSLETTER**

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Sunday 26th November: Christ the King

Readings: Matthew 25:31-46; Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

# **Today**

10.30am Benefice Holy Communion: St Mary,Warthill: Rev. Kath McBride4.00pm Evensong: Holy Trinity, Holtby: Rev. Kath McBride

### This Week in the Benefice

## Monday 27th

7.00pm Deanery Prayers via Zoom Meeting ID: 899 9043 7474: Passcode: 170606

## Tuesday 28th

9.00am Morning Prayer, Warthill 1.45pm Little People

## Wednesday 29th

9.00am Holy Communion followed by coffee, St Nicholas; Light a Candle Café 10.00am Holy Communion, Stockton

#### Friday 1st

3.15pm Making Christingles, Tower Room

# Saturday 2nd

8.00am Men's Breakfast 10.00 Community Café

Contemporary Communion. From January, on the third Sunday of the month at 10.30am in Dunnington we'll be trying to make our communion service more contemporary, informal and attractive to younger people. If you have some ideas or would like to be involved in the planning and delivery of this service, please speak to Kath.

**Online Worship**. We are not currently producing an online service, but you can still access the refections produced by the Diocese of York. Find the videos at <a href="https://www.vimeo.com/dioceseofyork">wimeo.com/dioceseofyork</a>

### **Next Week**

Sunday 3rd December: First Sunday of Advent

8.00am Holy Communion; St Nicholas, Dunnington 10.30am Advent Holy Communion; Holy Trinity, Stockton

10.30am St Nicholas Celebration; St Nicholas Dunnington

4.00pm Christingle Service; St Nicholas, Dunnington 7.00pm Sunday @ 7; St Nicholas, Dunnington

Supermarket Vouchers. We, at St Nicholas, are collecting supermarket vouchers which will be given to those being supported by IDAS. Please bring them to a church service or to Judith by 10th December. Those received already will be blessed at the St Nicholas/Advent service on 3rd December.

Advent Reading. Advent books feature a Bible reading and reflection for each day of Advent, and sometimes up until Epiphany to support our deepening faith as we approach the celebration of Christmas. Some also feature poems or other inspirational readings and prayers. The ones shown on the flyer are all available to borrow from Kath, (they are on the bookshelf in St Nic's Tower Room) and others are available in the Minster shop or online.

Mince Pies and Shortbread. After Carols by Candlelight at St Nicholas on 17th December we would like to have mince pies and shortbread to serve with mulled wine. If you can contribute a box/packet of either, they will be gratefully received.

**Carols on The Green.** Do you have a small gazebo we can put up to protect our musician and the sound system? If so, please speak to Judith.

## **Benefice News And Events**

Compline and Deanery Prayers. On Monday 27th at 7.00pm we will be sharing evening prayers with our Deanery. Do join us for these times of prayer and fellowship. Get in touch with Judith or Helen for the link, or alternatively follow the link on the front page of the digital newsletter.

**Sunday 10th December.** Today, at 10.30am, at St Nicholas, there will be a service of readings, music, and reflections for Advent.

Benefice Prayer Meetings. The next Benefice
Prayer meeting will be held at 7pm on Tuesday
12th December at Fair View Warthill YO19 5XW.
Everyone most welcome to come and join us.
Benefice Christmas Card. Thank you to those
who have delivered our cards, there may still be
a few streets to deliver cards in Dunnington.
Men's Breakfast. Tower Room, Dunnington on
Saturday December 2nd, 8am. A Full Yorkshire
Breakfast and vegetarian option. We'll welcome
Jan Nobel, diocesan Green Ambassador as
speaker. The cost is £7.99 per head, and all in our
benefice will be very welcome. As we need to
know numbers for the catering, please let Jim
Gilmour know, or sign the list in the Tower Room

## **Help Wanted!**

There are a number of roles in our churches which we need to fill, or where we'd like more people to be involved to create capacity for when people are unavailable. Some are larger roles, some smaller but all are ministries, serving God and one another, an enabling our churches to function well. So please would you prayerfully consider whether you could volunteer for any of these roles?

- ☐ Welcomer/Sidesperson
- □ Communion adminstrants
- ☐ Making refreshments
- ☐ Intercession pray-ers
- ☐ Bible readers
- ☐ PCC members (subject to numbers)
- ☐ Safeguarding Lead
- ☐ Safeguarding admin support
- ☐ Grant applications/ form filling
- □ Sacristan
- ☐ Churchyard Manager
- ☐ Church and/or Churchyard maintenance

#### **Benefice Christmas Services**

#### **December 3rd**

10.30am Dunnington St Nicholas Celebration10.30am Stockton Advent Holy Communion4.00pm Dunnington Christingle

#### **December 10th**

10.30am Warthill Christingle 4.00pm Holtby Carol Service 6.00pm Stockton Carol Service

#### **December 17th**

10.30am Stockton Christingle 4.00pm Warthill Carols by Candlelight 6.00pm Dunnington Carols by Candlelight

#### **December 21st**

6.00pm Dunnington Carols on The Green

## December 24th Christmas Eve

3.00pm Warthill Crib Service 5.00pm Stockton Crib Service 5.00pm Dunnington Crib Service 7.00pm Holtby Christmas Eve Communion 11.30pm Dunnington Midnight Mass

## **December 25th Christmas Day**

9.00am Warthill Christmas Day Communion 10.30am Stockton Christmas Day Communion 10.30am Dunnington Christmas Day Communion

#### **December 31st**

10.30am Warthill Benefice Communion Service Many of our regular services will also be taking place so do keep an eye on the newsletter!

#### Save the Date!

24th February 2024 10am-4pm Vision Day We have booked a Benefice Vision Seeking Day at Thicket Priory near Wheldrake

## **Lectionary Corner at St Nicholas**

26 November: Christ the King

30 November: Andrew, Apostle, Patron of

Scotland



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