NEWSLETTER

Sunday 14 November: Remembrance Sunday

Readings: Micah 4v1-8: John 15v9-17



Today

8.00am Holy Communion: St Nicholas, Dunnington

Rev Mark Poole

9.00 am Service of Remembrance: Holtby

Judith Hewitt

9.00 am Holy Communion with Act of Remembrance:

St Mary, Warthill

Rev Mark Poole

10.30am Service of Remembrance: Holy Trinity,

Stockton

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10.30am Service of Remembrance: St Nicholas,

Dunnington

Judith Hewitt

At St Nicholas

9.30-10.00 Church open for quiet prayer and reflection

10.00-10.30 Coffee, reflection, prayer and music

10.30 Service of Remembrance: Judith Hewitt

12.30 Holy Communion1.00 Parish Lunch

Online Benefice Worship (YouTube)

This week

Monday 15 November

9.00am Morning Prayer (zoom)

1.30pm Sewing group and Art group: St Nicholas

Tower Room

Tuesday 16 November

9.00am Morning Prayer: St Mary, Warthill

1.45pm Little People, Play and Praise: St Nicholas

Tower Room

Wednesday 17 November

9.00am Holy Communion: St Nicholas, Dunnington
 9.45am Coffee Time: St Nicholas Tower Room
 10.00am Holy Communion: Holy Trinity, Stockton

7.00pm <u>Compline (zoom)</u>

7.15pm Bible Study Group: St Nicholas Tower Room

Thursday 18 November

9.00am Morning Prayer (zoom)

Saturday 20 November

10.00 -11.30 Community Café: St Nicholas Tower

Room

Sunday 21 November: Christ the King

Readings: Daniel 7v9-10,13: Revelation 1v4b-8:

John18v33-37

8.00am Holy Communion: St Nicholas, Dunnington

9.00am Holy Communion: St Mary, Warthill

10.30am Holy Communion: St Nicholas, Dunnington

A reflection for Remembrance Sunday from Judith Hewitt

We all have our own memories for Remembrance Sunday and I don't really want to add anything to them. I would therefore like to suggest you take a poppy in your hand and use the following as part of your own reflection.

Take your poppy and hold it in your hand. Poppies are bright and cheerful flowers: give thanks to God for the lives of those who have died in war, remembering all the joy they brought to families and friends, and all the good things they did for their home and their country.

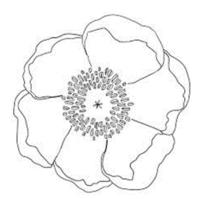
Then look at the red petals: red reminds us of danger and harm. Ask God to be close to those who are still facing danger each day, to give courage to the armed forces, and compassion to all who help others.

Place your whole hand over the poppy: poppies are also fragile and need to be handled gently. God cares for those who are hurting and those who are sad.

Ask God to comfort all who are grieving the loss of someone they love.

Finally place a finger on the centre of the poppy:
Ask God to help you play your part in working for peace in the world."

Amen.



Advent Sunday - 28 November



We worship together as a Benefice as we begin the Church's year together.

There will be no other morning services.

There will be a list in the Tower Room for people to offer lifts to those who might need one.

Parish Churches News & Events

Christmas Gifts for IDAS: If you would like to support the work of IDAS (Woman's Refuge), this Christmas, they would once again like supermarket vouchers, so the 'mums' can do their own shopping. They can accept a limited number of toys and toiletries. Please take your donation to a Benefice Church service, or leave at 7 Water Lane, Dunnington, by 9th December.

Readers and Intercessors at St Nicholas: We are beginning to prepare the rota from January to April. We will assume that if we do not hear from you, that you are still willing to be part of this ministry. If you would like to join the rota, please contact Judith Hewitt by 28th November.

Christingle: There will be Christingle services on Sunday 5th December 10.30am at Holy Trinity, Stockton, and at 4.00pm St Nicholas, Dunnington. If you would like to take a 'candle' for your donation to the Children's Society there are now some in the Tower Room.

Benefice Christmas Card: We are producing a card, in house, this year and we will need some help with folding them. We will be gathering in the Tower Room on Wednesday 24th November from 2.00pm and would love to have your help!

Midweek meditation at Lidgett Methodist Church: A chance to be still and silent in the middle of our busy weeks. Every Wednesday starting 17th Nov, 7.30am in room 3 for 30 minutes. All are welcome to use the silence for whatever you need. Stillness, meditation, mindfulness, prayer. A safe, inclusive space. No agenda. A chance to reground ourselves in the middle of a busy week and before work or school. Please respect the silence when you arrive.

St Nicholas Church Tower Room booking administrator

Could you take on this voluntary role? It can be fitted into spare moments convenient to you. For more information please contact Peter Helm or Carole White. Thank you.

Carole White - 07508 834565 (carolewhite333@hotmail.com)

St Nicholas Church Christmas Fayre: Please can you bring tombola or raffle prizes to the Tower Room. There is also a list on the table to sign if you can help on the day, Saturday 27th November. Cakes can be brought to the Reading Room on the day.

Sunday Coffee at St Nicholas: Serving coffee is part of our ministry of welcome. Talking over coffee is part of the sharing and caring that we want all to experience. For this to happen we would like people to volunteer to serve coffee before and/or after the 10.30 service. If you can help, please sign your name against a date/s on the list on the rota board, that are convenient to you.

PLACE OF WELCOME COMMUNITY DROP INS

All being well, our Carecent / community afternoon drop ins at Central Methodist Church have started last week. We still need volunteers for Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Please get in touch if you are able to help. We are looking in particular for people to help make tea and coffee and also to sit and chat with people.

Thank you. Judith Stoddart

(email: deaconjudithstoddart@gmail.com)

PCC Members, please save the date!: There will be a Social Evening for all PCC members, and their partners, from across the Benefice on Tuesday 7th December at 7.00pm in the Tower Room.

Zoom worship: Strensall Methodist Church have restarted their weekly Zoom worship and prayer on Thursday mornings, 09:00 to 09:45. Members of all churches or none are welcome. To get a Zoom link please contact Rev John Hayward: John.Hayward@methodist.org.uk

St Nicholas Covid 19 and 'Flu' measures: As more people are choosing to resume attendance at St Nicholas Church, we want to ensure that our church remains as safe a place as possible to worship. Increased numbers mean that it is more difficult to maintain social distance. Therefore, we are encouraging the use of face coverings in church during services. We would also advise that you choose to wear something warm and keep your coat on whilst in church as we will continue to have doors and windows open as much as possible to ensure good ventilation (this is known to be one of the best measures for dispersing airborne viruses). There are also numerous bottles of hand sanitizer available - please make use of them on entry and exit. Carole White

Children in Need fundraiser at Grimston Court Care Home:

Don your wellies, wrap up warm and bring your furry friends for an autumnal walk around our beautiful grounds. For Children in Need this year, we're opening our gates for the day to encourage everyone to get outside and explore. You can just come for a walk or join in with our Pudsey Bear themed treasure hunt & there will be tea, coffee, and hot chocolate to warm you up at the end! Join us at Grimston Court Care Home (just before the first Dunnington turning as

you come off Grimston Bar roundabout)
from 10-3pm on Saturday 20th November

- we can't wait to see you!

Lectionary Corner at St Nicholas

14 November: Remembrance Sunday

16 November: Margaret, Queen of Scotland, Philanthropist,

Reformer of the Church 1093

17 November: Hugh, Bishop of Lincoln 1200

18 November: Elizabeth, Princess of Thuringia, Philanthro-

pist 1231

19 November: Hilda, Abbess of Whitby 680

20 November: Edmund, King of the East Angles, Martyr 870

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