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

NEWSLETTER

Sunday 10th December: Second Sunday of Advent



Today

10.30am Christingle Service: St Mary, Warthill: *Rev. Kath McBride*

10.30am Morning Worship: A service of readings, music, and reflections for Advent: St Nicholas, Dunnington: *David Marles & Judith Hewitt* 12.30pm Holy Communion and lunch: *Rev. Tim Eady*

4.00pm Carol Service: Holy Trinity, Holtby: *Rev. Kath McBride*

6.00pm Carol Service: Holy Trinity, Stockton: *Rev. Kath McBride*

This Week in the Benefice

Tuesday 12th

9.00am Morning Prayer, Warthill 1.45pm Little People (last one this term!)

Wednesday 13th

9.00am Holy Communion followed by coffee, St Nicholas

10.00am Holy Communion, Stockton

7.00pm Compline via Zoom

Saturday 16th

10.00am Community Café

Carols on The Green. We are looking forward to singing Carols on Thursday 21st December at 6.00pm. Carol sheets will be available or you can down load from St Nicholas Church website. Please wear suitable footwear, keep to the paths and bring a torch.

We need 4or5 people to act a stewards, patrolling the edges of the Green, particularly along Common Rd and the Greenside turning to ensure people don't wander into the roads. There are no road closures so traffic will still be passing during this event.

If you have a Hi Vis jacket and are available from 5.45pm until about 7pm and feel able to offer this service, please get in touch with Carole White 07508834565

Next Week

Sunday 17th December: Third Sunday of Advent

8.00am Holy Communion: St Nicholas, Dunnington

10.30am Christingle: Holy Trinity, Stockton 10:30am Holy Communion: St Nicholas, Dunnington

4.00pm Carols by Candlelight: St Mary, Warthill 6:00pm Carol Service: St Nicholas, Dunnington

Supermarket Vouchers. Thank you for all the vouchers received so far. We are now arranging to deliver them to IDAS.

Greg Skilbeck. You are invited to celebrate the life of Greg at Dunnington Sports Club on Monday 11th December at 11.00am.

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.

Burns Night. Informal Burns Supper Friday 26th January 2024, 7.00 pm in the Tower Room, Dunnington. Haggis, tatties and neeps (alternative veggie haggis option) plus soup and dessert. Bring your own drink

Dress – Smart Casual (but feel free to wear your kilt if you wish!)

Tickets £8.50 - numbers will be limited so don't delay! - contact Judith Hewitt 488331; Eve Scoreby 489008 or Joan Verrier 481626

Benefice News And Events

Christmas Tree Festivals. 9th to 10th December at Strensall Methodist Church.

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.

Carol Singing at The Glebe. We have been asked to sing Carols to the residents of The Glebe, probably on Monday 18th at 4.00pm. Do come and sing Carols with the residents.

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

St Nicholas Bible Readers. If you would like to join the new rota to read at 10.30, please let Judith know by **15th December**. If you would prefer *not* to read now, also let Judith know. Thank you.

Pattern of Worship from January

1st Sunday
9.00am BCP Holy Communion Holtby
10.30am Holy Communion Dunnington
10.30am Morning Worship Stockton
Sunday@7 Dunnington

2nd Sunday

8.00am BCP Holy Communion Dunnington10.30am Holy Communion Stockton10.30am Morning Worship Dunnington

3rd Sunday
10.30am Morning Worship Stockton
10.30am Contemporary Holy Communion
Dunnington
Sunday@ 7 Dunnington

4th Sunday

8.00am BCP Holy Communion Dunnington10.30am Holy Communion All Age Warthill4.00pm Evensong Holtby

Christmas Menu Parish Lunch. For those of you signed up to join us today at St Nick's (10th). Don't forget to bring your favourite tipple! There will be a Communion Service at 12.30.

Blister Packs. Please note these are no longer being re-cycled, unfortunately they must now go into the grey bin. As soon as this changes we will let you know.

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

13 December: Lucy, Martyr at Syracuse 304 14 December: John of the Cross, Poet, Teacher of the Faith 1591



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