

# Churches in the Benefice of Rural East York

Dunnington, Stockton-on-the-Forest, Warthill & Holtby

# NEWSLETTER

Sunday 22nd October: 20th after Trinity

Readings: Matthew 22:15-22; Philippians 4:4-20



## Today

10.30am Benefice Service: St Nicholas, Dunnington: *Rev. Kath McBride*  
6.00pm Evensong: Holy Trinity, Holtby: *Judith Hewitt*  
Re-Ignite, Tower Room  
7.00pm Years 7,8&9  
7.45pm Years 10-13

## This week

### Monday 23rd October

7.00pm Deanery Prayers ([Zoom](#)) Click link to join from 6:45 then meeting ID: 899 9043 7474 and passcode 170606

### Tuesday 24th October

9.00am Morning Prayer: St Mary, Warthill  
1.45pm Little People: Tower Room  
2.30pm Silver Service: Holy Trinity, Stockton

### Wednesday 25th October

9.00am Holy Communion: St Nicholas  
9.45am Coffee: St Nicholas Tower Room  
Light a Candle Café  
10.00am Holy Communion: Holy Trinity, Stockton  
7.30pm Meditation Group: St Nicholas

### Saturday 28th October

10.00am Community Café: Tower Room  
6.30 (for 7pm) Thank You Supper: Tower Room

**St Nicholas Tower Room re-roofing.** The re-roofing work has begun! The Tower room can still be used and will be open during the day. The main church door will be opened for those who want to go directly into the church. Please do be careful when entering and leaving the church/tower room. Any concerns, please get in touch with Peter or Carole.

**Clocks fall back at 2am on Sunday 29th! Don't forget to change any clocks you have!**

## Next Week

Sunday 29th October: Bible Sunday  
Readings: Matthew 22:34-46; Leviticus 19:1-2, 15-18  
10.30am Benefice Holy Communion: Holy Trinity, Holtby  
4.00pm All Souls Service: St Nicholas, Dunnington

*The next liturgy group meeting is 23rd Nov. in the Tower Room at 7.30pm*

## Giving within the Benefice

Thank you so much to everyone who gives financially through the churches in the Benefice. This money supports the day to day running and maintenance of the church buildings, the costs of services and events and some is given back to York Diocese towards the costs of clergy.

You can *find out more about how to give on our website.*

*New:* Our new contactless machine has arrived in Dunnington, which gives people the ability to donate by card and to choose the amount.

O God of all justice and peace,  
we cry out to you in the midst of the pain and trauma of violence and fear which prevails in the Holy Land.

Be with those who need you in these days of suffering; we pray for people of all faiths – Jews, Muslims and Christians and for all people of the land.

While we pray to you, O Lord, for an end to violence and the establishment of peace, we also call for you to bring justice and equity to the peoples. Guide us into your kingdom where all people are treated with dignity and honour as your children – for to all of us you are our Heavenly Father.

In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

## Benefice News And Events

**Thank you.** The St Nicholas social group hosted two events last week. We would like to thank those who came to the Ladies Wine and Cheese evening and for the positive comments we received after the event. We also served refreshments to marathon spectators. A total of approximately £550 to the Big Build Fund.

**Scams.** Please do be aware that scams, supposedly coming from church leaders, are once again happening. Please do not respond to them.

**Benefice Services 22nd October.** Next week is our benefice service when we join across our four parishes to celebrate communion together. 'We are one body because we all share in one bread'. A great opportunity for fellowship! *Rev. Kath*

**Benefice Prayer.** The next meeting will be held at 7pm Tuesday 24th October at Fair View Warhill York YO19 5XW. Everyone most welcome to come and join us.

**Free film afternoons at West Thorpe.** The next one is on Wednesday 25th October, doors open 1pm and film starts 1.30pm. Small charge for tea/ coffee and cake.

**All Souls Benefice Service.** On Sunday 29th October, at St Nicholas Church, there will be a service at 4.00pm to remember our loved ones who are no longer with us. If you are attending the service and would like the name of your loved one read out, please add their name to the list in the Tower Room.

**All Saints Day.** We will be celebrating All Saints Day with services of Holy Communion at 9.00am at St Nicholas and 10.00am at Stockton. Do come and join us.

**Messy Light Party.** Please tell any families you know about our Messy Light Party on 31st October, 3.00pm to 5.00pm at St Nicholas Church. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

**Two week newsletter.** The newsletter produced for 29th October will also cover the week commencing 5th November. Any notices for those weeks will need to be received by 26th October.

To receive newsletters by email, contact [grapevine.rey@gmail.com](mailto:grapevine.rey@gmail.com). Also available on the St Nicholas Church website and in St Nicholas Church.

To receive the Methodist Circuit News, please contact the office by email [yorkcircuitoffice@gmail.com](mailto:yorkcircuitoffice@gmail.com) or phone 07984 019995.

Next newsletter on Sunday 29th October. Email items to [grapevine.rey@gmail.com](mailto:grapevine.rey@gmail.com) by 9.00 am on Thursday 26th October 2023

For general enquiries, please contact **Rev. Kath McBride** at [revkmcbride@gmail.com](mailto:revkmcbride@gmail.com) or on **01904 489349**

**Benefice Christmas Card.** Every year we produce a Christmas card for the whole benefice. The card gives details of the Advent and Christmas events celebrated by the churches and invites people to come along. This year the image on the front of the Christmas card will be designed by someone from the Benefice and so we have launched a competition for people to enter their designs! This is an opportunity for all the family to get involved as there are 5 different categories in this competition:

Pre-School (0-4)

Key Stage 1 (Reception – Year 2)

Key Stage 2 (Year 3 – Year 6)

Secondary (Year 7 – Year 13)

Adult (18+)

To enter, simply create your Christmas design on A4 paper (portrait). On the back write your name, age, village and the category you are entering under (eg. Ava, 8, Dunnington, Key Stage 2) and pop your entry into your church by **6th November.**

**Tombola Prizes.** If you have any items that would make prizes for St Nicholas Church Christmas Fayre, please leave them in the box in the Tower Room. Thank you

**Coffee at St Nicholas.** If you are willing to serve coffee after the 10.30 service, the list is now on the rota board. Thank you for your offer of help.

**Online Worship.** We are not currently producing an online service, but if for any reason you are not able to attend church you can watch the refecton produced by the Diocese of York. Find the video at [vimeo.com/dioceseofyork](https://vimeo.com/dioceseofyork).

### Lectionary Corner at St Nicholas

26 October: Alfred the Great, King of the West Saxons, Scholar 899

28 October: Simon and Jude, Apostles

29 October: Bible Sunday

