



# NEWSLETTER

Sunday 24th December: Christmas Eve

## Today

3.00pm Crib Service: St Mary, Warthill: *Rev. Kath McBride*

5.00pm Crib Service: Holy Trinity, Stockton: *Rev. Kath McBride*

5.00pm Crib Service: St Nicholas, Dunnington: *Rev. Tim Eady/Judith Hewitt/David Marles*

7.00pm The First Holy Communion of Christmas: Holy Trinity, Holtby: *Rev. Kath McBride*

11.30pm Midnight Holy Communion: St Nicholas, Dunnington: *Rev. Kath McBride/Judith Hewitt*

**There are no services in the benefice this morning. You are invited to Eucharist at York Minster at 11am.**

## The Next Two Weeks in the Benefice

### **Monday 25th Christmas Day**

9.00am Holy Communion, Warthill  
10.30am Holy Communion, Stockton  
10.30am Holy Communion, Dunnington

### **Wednesday 27th**

7.30pm Meditation Group, Dunnington

### **Saturday 30th**

10.00am Community Café, Dunnington

### **Thursday 4th**

3.00pm Discover...The Three Kings, Dunnington

### **Saturday 6th**

10.00am Community Café, Dunnington

## **Guest preacher**

As part of supporting each another across our deanery, there will be a 'pulpit swap' around some of our churches on 14th January. In our benefice, the service at 10.30 at Stockton will now be led by Rev Jan Nobel from Osbaldwick and Murton, who will preside at communion and preach; while Kath will do the same at Sutton on Derwent. We're all welcome to visit and support different deanery churches on that Sunday.

## Next two weeks

### **Sunday 31st December**

10.30am Benefice Holy Communion: St Mary, Warthill: *Rev. Kath McBride*

### **Sunday 7th January: Epiphany**

Reading: *Isaiah 60:1-6; Matthew 2:1-12*

9.00am BCP Holy Communion: Holy Trinity, Holtby  
10.30am Holy Communion: St Nicholas, Dunnington  
10.30am Morning Worship: Holy Trinity, Stockton  
7.00pm Sunday @ 7: St Nicholas, Dunnington

**Discover...The Three Kings.** We look forward to seeing the younger members of our communities with their grown-ups, on Thursday 4th January from 3.00 to 5.00, at St Nicholas Church. If you have your grandchildren with you, why not bring them along.

**Community Café.** There will be no café on 23rd December but there will be a café on the 30th.

**2 week newsletter.** Please note that the next newsletter will be published for the week beginning Sunday 7th January.

**Burns Night.** Informal Burns Supper Friday 26th January 2024, 7.00 pm in the Tower Room, Dunnington. There are currently only a few tickets available, contact Eve, Joan or Judith for up to date information. We will have a 'waiting list' so if you find you cannot come after purchasing a ticket, please let us know. Tickets £8.50 Judith Hewitt 488331; Eve Scoreby 489008 or Joan Verrier 481626

## Benefice News And Events

**Sunday 31st December.** Today we worship together at St Mary, Warthill, at 10.30am. Come and share worship as we say farewell to 2023 and prepare to welcome 2024.

**Compline.** Compline, our evening time of prayer, will resume on Wednesday 10th January. If you would like to join us in the New Year but have lost the link do contact Helen (grapevine.rey@gmail.com) or Judith (judithmhewitt@btinternet.com).

**Sunday 7th January.** The Communion Service today, at St Nicholas, at 10.30, will celebrate Epiphany and will also include the Methodist Covenant prayer. Do come and share in this service at the beginning of a new year.

**Wednesday Communion Services.** There will be no service on 27th December or on 3rd January. We look forward to seeing you on 10th January.

**Sunday 14th January.** Today there will be a Taizé Service at Holy Trinity, Holtby, at 4.00pm. Do put the date in your diary now, so you can join us in this quiet reflective service.

### 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 ministrants
- 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

**Visit York Minster.** Did you know parishioners from across the Diocese of York are welcome to visit York Minster free of charge? The digital passes are available to borrow from our rector and churchwardens.

### 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 Dunnington  
10.30am Holy Communion Stockton  
10.30am 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 Dunnington  
10.30am Holy Communion All Age Warthill  
4.00pm Evensong Holtby

**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

25 December: Christmas Day  
26 December: Stephen, Deacon, First Martyr  
27 December: John, Apostle and Evangelist  
28 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 and Teachers of the Faith  
379 and 389  
6 January: Epiphany  
7 January: The Baptism of Christ.



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Next newsletter on Sunday 7th January. Items to grapevine.rey@gmail.com by 9.00 am on Thursday 4th January.