

NOTICES AND FUTURE EVENTS

INTERCESSIONS

The Sick: Please pray for healing and comfort for all who are sick including Paul Brearley, baby Chloe and Ben Chaplin

Together with those who have lit candles, we pray for: Diane and family, Paul, Liza, 'Smithy' and for all loved ones, past and present

The Departed: We remember those who have recently died and those whose anniversary of death falls at this time: Wilfred Cowling (Priest), Kenneth Walker, Mary Maw, Bert Maw, Arthur Bowns, Lesley Bielby, Wyn Moore, Jeffrey Pattinson, Harry Smaller, Ivy Lord, Grace Smith and Arch Moore.

Christmas Day Lunch: We are holding our Christmas Day Lunch again. If you know of anyone on their own who would enjoy the company of others, please let us know as it is essential to book a place as soon as possible. If anyone would like to help between 12.00 and 3.00 p.m. or would like more information, please let Janet and David know on 01751 472201.

Consecration of The Bishop of Whitby in York Minster - Tuesday 26th January at 11.00am –. Tickets are now available and if you would like to attend, please send a self-addressed envelope and letter saying how many tickets you would like to: *Peter Warry, Diocesan Secretary, Diocesan House, Aviator Court, Clifton Moor, York YO30 4WJ* by Monday, 21st December Depending on interest, ticket numbers may be limited, so please only apply for the number of tickets you would like to use. Clergy should indicate if they intend robing.

All our visitors are warmly invited to join the regular congregation for coffee after the 10 o'clock service.

Until further notice the compilation of this pew sheet will be coordinated by Valerie Batchelor (Tel.475758) and Hazel Page (Tel.476915). Please let one of them have any notices for insertion by Wednesday of each week

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Sunday, 20th December
THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

At 8am the Collect, Epistle and Gospel for The Fourth Sunday in Advent will be found in the Prayer Book . At 10am we use the printed Order of Service with the following Prayers, Psalm & Readings.

SERVICES FOR THE TWO WEEKS ENDING 3RD JANUARY

Sunday, 20th December *Advent 4*
8.00 a.m. Holy Communion
10.00 a.m. Sung Eucharist
3.00 p.m. Christingle Service at Lockton
6.00 p.m. Carol Service at Marishes
7.00 p.m. Carol Service at Levisham

Wednesday, 23rd December
10.00 a.m. Holy Communion

Thursday, 24th December *Christmas Eve*
3.00 p.m. Crib/Christingle Service
9.00 p.m. Mass of the Nativity at Marishes
11.30 p.m. Midnight Mass of the Nativity
11.30 p.m. United Midnight Mass at Lockton

Friday, 25th December *Christmas Day*
8.00 a.m. Holy Communion
9.15 a.m. Holy Communion at Levisham
10.00 a.m. Family Eucharist

Sunday, 27th December *St. John the Evangelist*
8.00 a.m. Holy Communion
10.00 a.m. Sung Eucharist

Wednesday, 30th December
10.00 a.m. Holy Communion

Sunday, 3rd January *Epiphany Sunday*
8.00 a.m. Holy Communion
10.00 a.m. Sung Eucharist
10.00 a.m. Holy Communion at Lockton
6.00 p.m. Evensong

Collect

God our redeemer, who prepared the Blessed Virgin Mary to be the mother of your Son: grant that, as she looked for his coming as our saviour, so we may be ready to greet him when he comes again as our judge; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **amen**

First Reading: Micah 5.2-5a

The LORD says to his people:

But you, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah, who are one of the little clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to rule in Israel, whose origin is from of old, from ancient days. Therefore he shall give them up until the time when she who is in labour has brought forth; then the rest of his kindred shall return to the people of Israel.

And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength of the LORD, in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God. And they shall live secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth; and he shall be the one of peace.

Magnificat



Response:

'The Almighty has done great things for me and holy is his name'

1. My soul proclaims the greatness | of the Lord, my spirit rejoices in | God my Saviour; he has looked with favour on his | lowly servant. From this day all generations will | call me blessed; R
2. the Almighty has done great | things for me and holy | is his name. He has mercy on | those who fear him, from generation to | generation. R
3. He has shown strength | with his arm and has scattered the proud in | their conceit, casting down the mighty | from their thrones and lifting | up the lowly. R
4. He has filled the hun | gry with good things and sent the rich | away empty. He has come to the aid of his servant Israel, to remember his pro | mise of mercy. The promise made to our ancestors, to Abraham and his child | ren for ever. R

Second Reading: Hebrews 10.5-10

When Christ came into the world, he said, 'Sacrifices and offerings you have not desired, but a body you have prepared for me; in burnt-offerings and sin-offerings you have taken no pleasure.

Then I said, "See, God, I have come to do your will, O God" (in the scroll of the book, it is written of me).'

When Christ said, 'You have neither desired nor taken pleasure in sacrifices and offerings and burnt offerings and sin-offerings' (these are offered according to the law), then he added, 'See, I have come to do your will.' He abolishes the first in order to establish the second. And it is by God's will that we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

Gospel: Luke 1.39-45(46-55)

Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth.

When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and exclaimed with a loud cry,

'Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leapt for joy. And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her by the Lord.'

Post Communion Prayer

Heavenly Father, who chose the Blessed Virgin Mary to be the mother of the promised saviour: fill us your servants with your grace, that in all things we may embrace your holy will and with her rejoice in your salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**