

The Parish of St Mary, Richmond with St Michael & All Angels Hudswell

Sunday 6th January 2019. Epiphany

We offer a warm welcome to any visitors who are here with us today. Please stay for refreshments after the service. This morning's service is for everyone and if needed there is a children's area at the back of church. Lord's Prayer and Communion Cubes for children are available for anyone to use during the service. Please just ask if you would like to borrow one. There is an induction loop system in the church for those who would find it useful.

Large print hymn and service books are available. Please ask one of the sidespeople.

Today.

8.00am Holy Communion

Readings: Matthew 2:1-12, Isaiah 60:1-6, Ephesians 3:1-12

10.00am Sung Eucharist

Wednesday 9th January

9.15am Holy Communion

12.00pm Funeral of Joan Waterfall

2.15pm Funeral of Don Wade (Darlington Crematorium)

Thursday 10th January

10.30am Holy Communion (Holy Trinity)

Sunday 13th January

8.00am Holy Communion

Readings: Luke 3:15-17, 21-22, Isaiah 43:1-7, Acts 8:14-17

10.00am Sung Eucharist

The Charity of the Month collection today is being taken in support of the Tearfund **Yemen Crisis Appeal**. Please give as much as you feel you can.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Within your daily prayers please use the **Parish Prayer Diary** in the Magazine, also remembering:

those in **urgent need of prayer**

Joan Rutterford, Adam Gedye

those in need of **ongoing prayer**

Liz Atkinson, Jennie Beaumont, Mary Hartnell, Jennifer Jackson, Stephen Lambert, Harriet Ridley, Carole Ward, Christopher White, David Willey, Josh Winch
and all the patients at the Friary Hospital

those who mourn, as we give thanks for the life of

Don Wade, Joan Waterfall, Lewis Harrison, Anne Sutherland, Barbara Broderick

and those whose **anniversaries** fall during the coming week

8th Anne Holland

12th Oliver Severs

and please pray for the **growth of our church.**

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE – If you would like to the name of a loved one to be entered in this Book please contact Alexe Roberts (01609 881216).

Once again it is our turn to host the **Agape Meal** during the **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity** (18th-25th January), taking place on 23rd January at 7pm in the Town Hall.

So, we are in need of people to make soup and bring bread rolls. It would be lovely if people would join in and make this a wonderful ecumenical event.

For more information please contact Siân or Anne Simpson.

Great news! The monthly informal discussion group that has been bubbling away as a possibility over the past couple of months is going to have its first meeting on **Monday 28th January** at 7.30pm in Hudswell. At this first meeting please bring yourself and your ideas and we'll take it from there...

All are welcome!

For address and directions contact Anna on 0775 388 4572.

Prayer meetings – in recent weeks a small group has been meeting in church on Sunday evenings to pray for the needs of the parish. All are welcome to join the group. Today's meeting is at 12.00pm, when we will gather around the votive candle stand near Ruth's Window. To learn more, or if you would like to be part of a new group meeting at a different point in the week, please speak to Martin.

Do you shop online? If so, without any cost to you, you can ensure that 1-2% of the cost of your purchases goes to St Mary's. Visit www.everyclick.com, enter our charity number (1132585, 'The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Richmond with Hudswell'), and follow the instructions to sign up to *Give as you Live*. Every time you make a purchase you will be supporting our Church.

Wanted

People to help with our new weekly Baby and Toddler group which starts on January 10th.

If you are interested in giving a helping hand please contact Siân on sianlawton@googlemail.com or 07583 874203.

Men's Breakfasts at St Cuthbert's, Colburn. Our next breakfasts will be on Saturday 9th Feb and 16th March, 8.30-10am, with both featuring a guest speaker. Please speak to Martin for more details or to reserve a place.

Did you receive any gifts you would be willing to "recycle"?

St Mary's will gratefully accept them for future Town Hall Coffee Mornings, the first of which is on Saturday 9th March.

A box is at the back of church near the food bank and items can be left at any time. Many thanks.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Saturday 12th January at 6:30pm. The Station Singers concert, postponed from 15th December. Doors open at 6pm. If you already have tickets these will be valid but if you have tickets and cannot attend please contact Christine Stedman to arrange a refund (01748 824664). Tickets are still available.

Wednesday 16th January at 2pm. **Women's Fellowship** meet in the Town Hall for their party. All are welcome.

Wednesday 23rd January at 7pm. Please join us at the Town Hall for the **Agape Meal** during the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. A wonderful ecumenical event.

All notices for the next pew sheet to Claire Murray by noon on Wednesday please.

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