

Please send any notices, news or events for the Pew Sheet by noon on Wednesday, thank you.

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You can keep up to date on our FACEBOOK page:

www.facebook.com/stmarysrichmondhudswellparishchurch

The Parish of St Mary, Richmond with Hudswell



Sunday 31st December 2023 **1st Sunday of Christmas**

Happy New Year!

All are welcome at St. Mary's Church

You are welcome to attend services in person, online or by dialling in.
The church is open daily for private prayer, 9am–dusk.

Sunday 31st December (1st Sunday of Christmas)

8.00am Holy Communion

10.00am Parish Communion

Readings: Isaiah 61:10 to 62:3; Galatians 4:4-7; Luke 2: 5-21

Hymns: HON 526 Unto us a boy is born/ Hymn sheet Who would think (God's surprise) HON 527 Virgin born we bow before thee / HON 251 Infant Holy / HON 425 Praise the Lord, ye heavens adore him.

Wednesday 3rd Jan 2024

9.15am Holy Communion

Thursday 4th Jan 2024

10.30am Holy Communion at Holy Trinity Chapel

Sunday 7th Jan 2024 (Epiphany)

8.00am Holy Communion

10.00am Parish Communion

4.00pm Epiphany Party for all the family

Our financial viability depends on us! To support the work of our church please make a donation as you enter or leave the church (cash or card), or click here: [Richmond with Hudswell PCC | Stewardship](#) Thank you.
To join our Planned Giving scheme please see the website 'Giving' page.

At Sunday 10am Communion services our 'GoodPlate' card reader will be presented during the Offertory hymn as a symbol of our gifts.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Within your daily prayers please remember:

those in **special need** of prayer:

Amber, Sylvia, Claire, Cliff Bilbrough, Cecilia, Philip Welch, Peter Ward,
Lukas Walker-Fraser

those in need of **ongoing prayer**:

Christine, Edna, Frank, Hilary, Elizabeth Bassindale, Eddie Burrell,
Martin Dando, John Earnshaw, Margaret Emmerson, Howard Finch,
George Metcalfe, Neil Thwaite, Ashton Bowles

those who mourn as **we give thanks** for the life of those we know who
have recently died.

and of those known to us whose **anniversary** falls during this period

6th Jan Anne Simpson
7th Jan Marlene Samways

Book of Remembrance If you would like the name of a loved one to be
entered in this book, please contact the Parish Administrator, Colin Hicks.

The December Charity of the Month is USPG

United Society Partners in the Gospel is an Anglican mission agency.
Founded in 1701, USPG today partners churches and communities
worldwide in God's mission to enliven faith, strengthen relationships,
unlock potential and champion justice www.uspg.org

The January Charity of the Month will be:

Richmond and Dales Talking Newspaper

You can hear about this at the 10 am service on 7th January. This small
local charity, with both volunteers and listeners from St Mary's, provides
a free fortnightly audio news service to people in Richmond and the
Dales who find accessing the printed word difficult. Information about
our work will be on display in the church. You can donate by using our
dedicated collection box or via our Just Giving page:

https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/RichmondDalesRTN?utm_term=PJzrBdayn

If you know of anyone who would benefit from our audio service, ring our
Helpline, 07876 705550.

Magazine Subscriptions

Thank you to all those who have paid their Magazine subscriptions by
Bank transfer, Cheque or Cash for the 2024 issues of the Magazine.
If there are any outstanding subscriptions, please pass them to Colin or
a Churchwarden to ensure that you receive 'Connections' during the
coming year.

Epiphany Party for all the family, Sunday 7th January 4pm

All are welcome as Chris Denton and Camilla Campling-Denton return
for a concert of with seasonal music and song, joined this time by Song
Squad. There will also be poetry and readings – and festive
refreshments (giving you an ideal opportunity to bring and share those
Christmas leftovers!).

The 10am service will therefore be a normal Parish Communion.

Exploring Faith to return (at the Rokeby Inn, DL11 7QW, 10am-12:00)
24th February, the Very Revd Prof Martyn Percy, former Dean of Christ
Church, Oxford, 'Alice in Ecclesialand: What Churches do in Principle
and Practice.' 2nd March, the Rt Revd Dr David Stancliffe, former Bishop
of Salisbury. Further details to follow.

Readers and Intercessors at St. Mary's

The readers and those who lead Intercessions are a vitally important
part of our ministry team at St. Mary's. If you would like to join the rota
either as a reader or as a leader of our intercessions, please speak to
Martin.

Our 2024 Charities of the Month will be:

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| January | Richmond and Dales Talking Newspaper |
| February | UNHCR |
| March | Mothers' Union |
| April | Just the Job |
| May | Christian Aid |
| June | USPG (mission agency) |
| July | HomeStart |
| August | Marie Curie |
| September | Dementia Forward |
| October | Citizen's Advice |
| November | Darlington Women's Refuge |
| December | Church Mission Society (mission agency) |