

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

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[www.richmondhudswellparish.org.uk](http://www.richmondhudswellparish.org.uk)

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[www.facebook.com/StMarysRHDM/](https://www.facebook.com/StMarysRHDM/)

# **The Parish of St Mary, Richmond with Hudswell**



## **Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2025** **3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Advent**

### **All are welcome at St. Mary's Church**

You are welcome to attend services in person or online.

The church is open daily for private prayer, 9am–dusk.

Please join us for **Morning Prayer** Monday to Friday at 8.30am

### **Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December** (3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Advent)

**8.00am** Holy Communion

**10.00am** Parish Communion

Readings: Isaiah 35: 1-10, James 5: 7-10, Matthew 11: 2-11

Hymns: CP34, 38, 457, Like a Candle Flame, 605

**6.30pm** 'The Advent Sequence' music and readings for Advent

### **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December**

**6.00pm** Advent Course 'Into the heart of Advent' with Revd. Lorna

### **Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December**

**9.15am** Holy Communion

**7.00pm** Christmas Concert, British Army Band Catterick

### **Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December**

**9.30-11.00am** 'Little Angels' at the Methodist Church

**10.30am** Holy Communion at Holy Trinity Chapel

**6.00pm** Richmond School Carol Service

### **Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December**

**9.30am** Trinity Academy Christmas Service

### **Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> December** (4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Advent)

**8.00am** Holy Communion

**10.00am** Parish Communion

Readings: Isaiah 7:10-16, Romans 1:1-7, Matthew 1:18-end

Hymns: CP 32, 24, 58, 414, 231

**6.30pm** Service of 9 Lessons and Carols

To support the work of our church please make a donation as you enter or leave (cash or card), or click: [Richmond with Hudswell PCC | Give A Little](#)

To join our **Planned Giving Scheme** please visit:

[St Marys Church Richmond > Giving > Giving](#)

For details of the **Parish Giving Scheme** please see:



## **PRAYER REQUESTS**

Within your daily prayers please remember:

those in **special need** of prayer:

Ben, Bill, Dave, Dennis, Richard, Tess, Julie Jones, Joyce Marshall,  
Graham Pearson

those in need of **ongoing prayer**:

Christine, Edna, Graham, Nicola, Cora & Jacob, Ralph,  
Elizabeth Bassindale, Jackie Dyer, John Earnshaw, George Metcalfe,  
Philip Welch, Pamela Wheatley, Anne Whyman

those who mourn as **we give thanks for the life of**:

David Wood, Leonard Hutchinson

and of those whose **anniversary** falls during this period

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

## **Collect of the Day**

God for whom we watch and wait,  
you sent John the Baptist to prepare the way of your Son:  
give us courage to speak the truth, to hunger for justice,  
and to suffer for the cause of right, with Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **St Mary's Prayer Circle for Confidential Prayer Requests**

Our email-based anonymous Prayer Circle are ready to respond to specific requests made in confidence. Please contact Anna [boyceadl11@gmail.com](mailto:boyceadl11@gmail.com)

## **Weekly Prayer Meeting: Tuesday evenings, 7.30-9:00pm**

All are welcome. We start with a short relaxed bible study then move into a time of prayer. For details please contact Anna [boyceadl11@gmail.com](mailto:boyceadl11@gmail.com)

## **The December Charity of the Month is Womens' Refuge Darlington**



This charity supports women and children who experience all forms of violence and abuse, mutilation, forced marriage, so-called 'honour'-based violence, human trafficking and modern slavery. They tailor their support to suit individual needs, running a range of services including

refuges, community-based projects, culturally-specific services, children's services and support for women going through the criminal justice system.

[www.familyhelp.org.uk](http://www.familyhelp.org.uk)

## **Tonight, Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December, 6.30pm 'The Advent Sequence:'**

A time of music, readings and meditation for the season of Advent.  
This gentle reflective service guides us through Advent in words, music and prayer. Join us in this oasis of calm as we look toward Christmas.

<b>St Mary's Church Richmond Services/Events December 2025</b>	
<b>Wed 3 Dec</b>	7:30 pm - Royal Northern Sinfonia
<b>Sat 6 Dec</b>	7:30 pm - Richmond Choral Society Winter Concert
<b>Sun 7 Dec</b>	4:00 pm - Christingle Service
<b>Wed 10 Dec</b>	7:00 pm - Mayor's Carol Concert
<b>Sat 13 Dec</b>	6:30 pm - Station Singers Concert "Carols by Candlelight"
<b>Sun 14 Dec</b>	6:30 pm - Advent Carols Service
<b>Wed 17 Dec</b>	7:00 pm - British Army Band Catterick
<b>Thurs 18 Dec</b>	6:00 pm - Richmond School Service
<b>Fri 19 Dec</b>	9:30 am - Trinity Academy Christmas Service
<b>Sat 20 Dec</b>	8:30 am - Richmond Town Hall Coffee Morning
<b>Sun 21 Dec</b>	6:30 pm - Nine Lessons and Carols
<b>Christmas Eve</b>	4:00pm - Grib Service Children are invited to come along dressed up as angels, shepherds or any other Nativity character. 11:30pm - Midnight Mass
<b>Christmas Day</b>	8:00am - Holy Communion 10.00am - Christmas Communion

## **Advent Course:**

### **"Into the Heart of Advent"**

All are welcome to join us on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> December, 6pm in the Green Howards Chapel. The 1-hour sessions are based on the book "Into the Heart of Advent" by Penelope Wilcock (it is not necessary to buy the book, or to have attended previous sessions). *Revd Lorna*

## **British Army Band Concert, Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December, 7pm**

The British Army Band Catterick will be performing a Christmas Concert here at St. Mary's. All are welcome to this free entry concert.

## **Flower Guild, Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December**

The Flower Guild will meet in church on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December at 10am to decorate the Church for Christmas. Please bring holly, fir branches etc if you have any in your gardens. Thank you.  
Or simply join us for seasonal refreshments: all are welcome! *Libby Sands*

## **St Mary's Town Hall Coffee Morning, Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> December, 8:30am**

Help make this a bumper year! Donations for Tombola, Raffle and Cakes on the day would be most appreciated. These can be brought to Church or dropped off at 14 Pilmoor Close. Thank you *Susan Scrafton 824106*

## **9 Lessons and Carols, Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> December, 6:30pm**

If you would like to sing with the choir at this service, please speak to Colin.

## **A Peal of Bells for Christmas**

On Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> December we will be welcoming visiting ringers from the York area who will be ringing a peal on our lovely bells from 2pm onwards. Hopefully they will help keep everyone in the festive spirit!