

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 26th November 2023

Christ the King

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.

Please join us for **Morning Prayer** each Monday-Friday at 8:30am.

Sunday 26th November (Christ the King)

8.00am Holy Communion

9.45am **Parish Communion**

Readings Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24, Ephesians 1:15-23, Luke 1:46-55

Hymns: 263, 497, 183, HOAN276, 398

4.00pm **Fun-Key Church**

Wednesday 29th November

9.15am Holy Communion

Thursday 30th November

10.30am Holy Communion at Holy Trinity Chapel

9.00-11.00am Little Angels Toddlers' Group in the Methodist Church Hall

Friday 1st December

12.30pm Memorial Service

Sunday 3rd December (Advent Sunday)

8.00am Holy Communion

10.00am **Parish Communion**

Readings: Isaiah 64: 1-9, 1 Corinthians 1: 3-9, Mark 13: 24-end

12.00 **Baptism Service**

4.00pm **Christingle Service**

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

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, Lukas Walker-Fraser, Ashton Bowles

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

Alan May, Ruth Fawcett, Joan Smith

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

30th Nov Jean Green

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.

Prayer Meetings All are welcome to join us online for the prayer meeting on Wednesday evenings, 8pm to 9pm. It is informal and supportive and you don't have to pray out loud. Please contact Anna on 07753 884572

The November Charity of the Month is Womens' Refuge Darlington

This charity supports women and children who experience all forms of violence and abuse, including domestic violence, sexual violence, female genital 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

St Mary's Song Squad – a new youth choir led by Chris and Camilla

Weekly rehearsals every Monday in term time, 4-5pm, at St Mary's. For further details please contact *Chris Denton* 07817 386070

Christmas Cards

Each Sunday Christmas cards will be on sale in Church. A variety of designs with views of Richmond, including St. Marys. 5 for £3 or 10 for £5. All proceeds to church funds.

16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence, 25 Nov–10 Dec

See the November issue of *Connections* for further information.

Reflection and Prayer for Day 2 (26th November):

He has sent me to proclaim that captives will be released,

that the blind will see that the oppressed will be set free,

and that the time of the Lord's favour has come. Luke 4:18-19 (NLT)

Compassionate God may those experiencing all forms of violence be given courage, hope and practical help to break free from their abuse. Amen

Curry Night Saturday 25th November 7pm at the Town Hall

Thank you to all who came to the Curry Night on Saturday, it was another great event and thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended. *John Challis*

Christmas at Marrick 7pm Sunday 3rd December

Once more the Marske Choir will entertain us and of course there will be the usual delicious supper, tickets £12. A bus will leave Nun's Close car park at 6.15pm and upon arrival you will be warmed by mulled wine, or mulled apple juice. Unfortunately, bus tickets need to be £7 due to increased fuel costs, but at the same time the need for our Bursary Fund has trebled over past months. We do hope you will feel able to support us. Thank you. Tickets from *Cathy Trewby or Judith Clarke 826793*.

The Advent Sequence Sunday 10th December at 6.30pm

'The Advent Sequence' is a gentle meditative service consisting of readings, musical interludes and gentle choral items which gives time to reflect on the season of Advent and is a lovely prelude as we anticipate the forthcoming season. The rehearsal for this will be from 4.30pm to 6pm on Sunday 10th and singers of all groups are warmly invited to come and sing. If you would like to take part in this service as a singer, please let me know so that I can prepare the music for you. *Colin Hicks*

The service of 9 Lessons and Carols Sunday 17th December 6.30pm

The traditional service of 9 lessons and Carols will be held on Sunday 17th Dec and as usual there is an open invitation to members of all singing groups within the church, those who return to sing at Christmas and anyone else who would like to take part. Please let me know if you would like to sing with us on this occasion. *Colin Hicks*

***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.