

Notices

Any items for next week's sheet to Angela Sewell by Wednesday please.
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KEEPING IN TOUCH WITH EACH OTHER

During this time do keep checking our website www.ubwby.org and our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/UnitedWB

CORONAVIRUS LOCKDOWN 3 RESTRICTIONS

In response to the third national lockdown and mindful of the latest data on infection rates of the new COVID variant being recorded across the country, the PCCs have agreed to the suspension of public worship across the Benefice during the period of the lockdown. This has not been an easy decision, but we believe it is the right decision in order to support the headline guidance "Stay at home; protect the NHS; save lives". We have a duty of loving care towards each other across our communities and the local Church must play its part in protecting those who are vulnerable and our key workers.

St Oswald's and St John's will continue to be open for individual prayer at the times detailed opposite.

CHILDREN SOCIETY COLLECTION BOXES

From Janet Mann: "As usual we will be emptying & counting Children Society boxes at the beginning of February, so please could anyone with a box return it to St Oswald's by the end of January. (Please give it to me or a churchwarden, etc. to be put in the safe.) I appreciate that in the present circumstances this could be a problem, if so, please ring me on 01524 419252 and I will arrange to pick it up."

SOME THOUGHTS ABOUT BAPTISM FROM TAIZÉ

Through baptism, Christ links us to his "yes," which becomes the "yes" that we express to God in return (see 2 Corinthians 1:19-20). This yes spoken at our baptism will then be made concrete in all the choices, big and small, that we undertake in order to live out our faith. In this sense it can be said that the whole of Christian life is nothing other than a progressive discovery of all the dimensions of the yes of our baptism. Those who were baptized very young and whose commitment was taken in their name by their loved ones, as well as those who took themselves the step to ask for the sacrament, are equally called to translate the meaning of their baptism into their daily existence, by setting out over and over again in the steps of Christ.

Letter from Taizé: 2004/5



Please remember in your prayers...

Those who are sick or in particular need: *Chris Hunter, Sarah, Jean Nelson, Chris Nicholson, Annette MacKenzie, Valerie Fox, Nicola.*

Those with longer term needs or in residential care: *Daniel Hughes, Betty Greenwood, Greta Puttick, Joshua, Phyllis Hargreaves, Marion Brett, Frances Hoggarth, Marion Day, Mabel, Amy, Mary, Sharon, Margaret, Alison, Eleanor and our home communicants.*

The recently departed: *David Burford, Ian Delooze, Norman Rae, Marjorie Tyson.*

At their anniversary: *Malcolm Hall, Clifford Parkinson, Jack Collinson, Edna Slater, John Cottier, Joan Thorpe, Christine Graham, Leonard Keen.*

Names of those with immediate needs will be included for 8 weeks and then included with those with longer term needs for a further 8 weeks unless advised otherwise.

The United Benefice of St Oswald, Warton
and St Mary, Borwick with St John, Yealand

Sunday 10th January

The Baptism of Christ

Greetings in the name of our Lord

Sunday 9.30am Eucharist — online

Follow the link from our website www.ubwby.org

Genesis 1.1-5; Acts 19.1-7; Mark 1.4-11

This Week — Praying Together

The readings are from the daily Eucharistic lectionary.

Robin will say Morning Prayer at 9.15am each day; please join in from your home. The form of service can be downloaded from the benefice website.

Mon 11

Hebrews 1.1-6; Psalm 96.1-2,6-10; Mark 1.4-11

Tue 12 Aelred of Hexham, Abbot of Rievaulx, 1167

Hebrews 2.5-12; Psalm 8; Mark 1.21-28

Wed 13 Hilary, Bishop of Poitiers, Teacher, 36

Hebrews 2.14-end; Psalm 105.1-9; Mark 1.29-39

Thu 14

Hebrews 3.7-14; Psalm 95.1,8-end; Mark 1.40-end
2.00 p.m. Benefice Advisory Group meeting by Zoom

Fri 15

Hebrews 4.1-5,11; Psalm 78.3-8; Mark 2.1-12

Sat 16

Hebrews 4.12-end; Psalm 19.7-end; Mark 2.13-17

A recording of Night Prayer (Compline) is available via the link on the home page of our website; the form of service is also available to download.

Churches open for individual prayer this week

- **St Oswald's:** Sunday 8.30am-4.00pm; Wednesday 10.00am-4.00pm
- **St John's:** Sunday 12noon-4.00pm; Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 10.00am-4.00pm

Sunday 17th January

The Second Sunday of Epiphany

9.30 a.m. Eucharist — livestream

1 Samuel 3.1-10; Revelations 5.1-10; John 1.43-end

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*Please note that the Vicar's day off is usually Friday;
please contact him only in an emergency on this day.*

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