

Notices

Any items for next week's sheet to Angela Sewell by Wednesday please.
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RETIREMENT OF JANET THOMPSON AS A LICENSED LAY MINISTER

After 55 years as an authorised/licensed minister, first as a Methodist Local Preacher and then as a Church of England Reader/Licensed Lay Minister, Janet will retire from active ministry at the end of this year. Thank you Janet, for your many years of faithful service to God's Church.

SERVICES FOR CHRISTMAS

Thank you very much to everyone who has helped decorate our church buildings for Christmas and to everyone involved in our special Christmas services, including our organists and choir, our readers, intercessors and welcomers.

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

The sum of £240 has been raised from the sale of the three pictures kindly donated to the church. Many thanks to all those who took parts and congratulations to the winning bidders. *Christine Wellock*

BIBLE STUDY GROUP ON WEDNESDAY EVENINGS

It is planned to start a new bible study group in January meeting on Wednesday evenings from 7pm at Jodie Kilty's home in Yealand Conyers. If you might be interested please contact Jodie at Jodiekilty@hotmail.co.uk or Robin. How often to meet will be agreed by those who express an interest.

WINTER WARMER LUNCHES AT BORWICK & PRIEST HUTTON

Everyone is welcome to enjoy warm space and warm company between 11am and 2pm at Borwick & Priest Hutton Memorial Hall on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays from November to February; next lunch on 5th January. No booking required, just come along and meet friends.

YOUNG GENERATIONS GROUP FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

This group for young people aged 9+ meets each 1st Sunday 6-8pm at St Oswald's, apart from August; the next meeting is 8th January. If you are interested and want to know more please contact Emma, evbrantley@hotmail.com.

COFFEE STOP

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 10th January.

BREAKING BREAD LUNCH

The next lunch will take place on Thursday 5th January.

SEASONS OF CHRISTMAS AND EPIPHANY

The season of Christmas continues until 8th January when we celebrate the Feast of the Epiphany. The season of Epiphany continues until 29th January when we celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of Christ in the Temple (Candlemas).



Come to the stable and celebrate.
Come to the stable and rejoice.
Come to the stable and meet Jesus,
born for you, for me and for all the world.
Come to the stable and sing your songs.
Come to the stable and join in
the dance of Christmas.

Please remember in your prayers...

Those who are sick or in particular need: *Peter Thompson, Sr Michaela, Angela, Ian Sedgewick, Agnes Bainbridge.*

Those with longer term needs or in residential care: *Phyllis Hargreaves, Jean Nelson, Reg, Eleanor, Winifred Halliday, Tracey Wilson, Paul Gee, Sheila Barnes, Carolyn Wolstenholme and those who are housebound.*

The recently departed: *Brenda Hallam, Irene Halford.*

At their anniversary: *Arthur Manson, Allan Park, Mark Edwards, Margaret Shaw, Christine Graham, Ernest Phillips, Doreen Keen, Ann Mason, Myles Bateman, Edna Harrison, Brian Morris, Sylvia Ochel, Robert Dixon.*

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 25th December

THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD CHRISTMAS DAY

9.15 a.m. Eucharist with carols at St Mary's
11.00 a.m. Eucharist with carols at St Oswald's
Isaiah 9.2-7; Titus 3.4-7; Luke 2.8-20

This Week — Praying Together

The readings are from the daily Eucharistic lectionary.

A simple form of service for Morning Prayer can be downloaded from the benefice website.

Mon 26 Stephen, Deacon, First Martyr
Acts 7.51-end; Psalm 119.161-168; Matthew 10.17-22

Tue 27 John, Apostle and Evangelist
Exodus 33.7.11a; Psalm 117; John 21 196-end
No Coffee Stop – next meeting on 10th January

Wed 28 The Holy Innocents
Jeremiah 31.15-17; Psalm 124; Matthew 2.13-18
9.15 a.m. Eucharist at St John's

Thu 29 Thomas Becket, Archbishop of Canterbury, 1170
1 John 2.12-17; Psalm 96.7-10; Luke 2.36-40
11.00 a.m. Eucharist at St Oswald's
No Breaking Bread lunch – next meeting on 5th January

Fri 30
1 John 2.12-17; Psalm 96.7-10; Luke 2.36-40

Sat 31
1 John 2.18-21; Psalm 96.1,11-end; John 1.1-18



Sunday 1st January

JOHN, APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST

10.30 a.m. Patronal Festival Eucharist at St John's
(also livestreamed)

Exodus 33.7-11a; 1 John 1; John 21.19b-end

(NB: This is the only service in the Benefice today)

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

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