

Notices

Any items for next week's sheet to Angela Sewell by Wednesday please.
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NEWS FROM THE VICARAGE

Last Sunday Robin announced that he is taking early retirement from parish ministry as from 31st March. His last working day in the Benefice will be Sunday 5th March.

MESSAGE FROM JANET THOMPSON

I write to the churches of our benefice to thank you for your gifts presented to me at my last service as an LLM on Christmas Eve. Whilst life for Alan and myself is going to be completely different from now on, I thank God for the opportunities given to me to carry out the work I was called to do, during which time I enjoyed meeting so many people on so many various occasions. Our thoughts and prayers will be with you during the forthcoming vacancy.

With grateful thanks for the times shared with you.

Best wishes, Janet Thompson

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).

BIBLE STUDY GROUP ON WEDNESDAY EVENINGS

A new bible study group will start in January meeting on Wednesday evenings from 7pm at Jodie Kilty's home in Yealand Conyers. Please contact Jodie at Jodiekilty@hotmail.co.uk for more information. 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 following dates: 19th January, 5th February, 26th February. 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 meetings are TODAY 8th January, then 5th February. If you are interested and want to know more please contact Emma, evbrantley@hotmail.com.

CHILDREN SOCIETY COLLECTION BOXES

From Janet Mann: 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 to me or a churchwarden, etc. to be put in the safe.) If you have a problem, please ring me on 01524 419252 and I will arrange to pick it up.

BREAKING BREAD LUNCHES

We are looking for help to drive two people from within Warton to our Breaking Bread lunches and to take them home again after. For more information or to offer to help please contact Annette MacKenzie.

Please remember in your prayers...

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

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, Roy Hambling.*

At their anniversary: *Dorothy Pedder, John Dodwell, Albert Woof, Marjorie Escolme, Malcolm Hall, Samuel Read, Jean Walker, Jack Collinson, Edna Slater, John Cottier, Joan Thorpe.*

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 8th January

THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

8.00 a.m. Eucharist at St Oswald's

9.15 a.m. Parish Eucharist at St John's
(also livestreamed)

11.00 a.m. Parish Eucharist at St Oswald's

Isaiah 60.1-6; Ephesians 3.1-12; Matthew 2.1-12

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.

Sun 8

6.00 p.m. Young Generations at St Oswald's

Mon 9

Hebrews 1.1-6; Psalm 97.1-2,6-10; Mark 1.14-20

10.00 a.m. Bible study group at Fernlands, Tewitfield

Tue 10

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

9.00 a.m. Coffee Stop at St Oswald's

11.00 a.m. Eucharist at St Mary's

12 noon Faith Matters at St Mary's

Wed 11

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

9.15 a.m. Eucharist at St John's

2.00 p.m. Knit and Natter at St John's

Thu 12 Aelred of Hexham, Abbot of Rievaulx, 1167

Hebrews 3.7-14; Psalm 95.1,8-end; Mark 1.40-end

11.00 a.m. Eucharist at St Oswald's

11.45 a.m. Breaking Bread Lunch

2.30 p.m. Funeral of Irene Halford at St Oswald's

Fri 13 Hilary, Bishop of Poitiers, Teacher, 167

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

10.30 a.m. Coffee@St John's and lunch

Sat 14

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

Sunday 15th January

THE BAPTISM OF CHRIST

8.00 a.m. Eucharist at St Oswald's

9.15 a.m. Parish Eucharist at St John's
(also livestreamed)

9.15 a.m. Eucharist at St Mary's

11.00 a.m. Parish Eucharist at St Oswald's

Isaiah 42.1-9; Acts 10.34-43; Matthew 3.13-end

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Lay Minister:

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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