

The Parish of Darfield

All Saints, Darfield and St Michael, Great Houghton
Sunday 13th December 2020
Third Sunday of Advent

Morning Prayer - 10:30 a.m. via Facebook Christingle - 4:00 p.m. via Facebook

Service Update (please contact Fiona to book a place): Communion Services at Ardsley and Thurnscoe

Christ Church: Sunday 13th Dec @ 5:00 p.m. St Helen's Wednesday 16th Dec @ 10.30 a.m.

Christingle - Christ light

This celebration originated in the Moravian Church in 1747 when candles were given to children on Christmas Eve to celebrate Christ as the Light of the World. Since then it has spread through the worldwide Moravian Church and eventually into other denominations.

The tradition was popularised in the UK in 1968 when it was adopted by the Children's Society as a major part of their fund raising.

Christingle services can be held in Advent, at Christmas and through into Epiphany but their meaning is constant - Christ the Light of the World.

Originally just a holder for the candle, the Christingle has developed into a symbol of the Christian Faith telling us about God and the World in which we live.



The Orange: The World

Pray for the World, for countries in need

The Red Ribbon: The blood of Jesus freely shed for all

Thank God that he sent Jesus and for His sacrifice on the Cross for us

The Sweets: The fruits of the Earth through four seasons

Pray for those around you that need God's love and care and particularly for young people who need protection, safety and a loving family

The Candle: The Light of the World – Jesus Christ

Thank God for his goodness in bringing light into dark situations and hope to those who need it most

Give thanks for the work of the Children's Society as they work in the darkest of Situations, bringing Light to those who need it most.

The Children's' Society works with children and young people who feel scared, unloved and unable to cope. Around four million children live in poverty in the UK which can have an effect on their mental and physical well-being as well as their future life chances.

New on-line resources have been produced addressing common emotional issues in a way appropriate to the age group which can be used by the young people and their parents. Our support for the Society is through individual home collection boxes and the annual Christingle Service.



Christmas Decorations: Children from All Saint's Academy have provided art work to decorate the churchyard railings and gates. The mixture of Angels, candles, bells, Christingles and other decorations will cheer those who take their exercise through the churchyard. More pictures on our web site and A Church near You

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Prayer Requests

Please pray for Olive & Raymond Shaw and Christopher and his twin, Caroline Browne

Prayer requests for this section... Contact the Prayer Ministry Team

Carol Hunter on 07542 527331

Christmas Greetings:

LAST CHANCE

A further casualty of our Church being closed for Public Worship will be our Church Family Christmas Greetings board.

If you wish to add your message to our Christmas news-sheet please submit it **by MONDAY 14th DECEMBER**

Contributions accepted by whatever means you can **to Peter** –



pdrobinson@live.co.uk, phone, post, hand delivery, Rectory letter box, via your buddy or news-sheet distributor, text to 07910 728581

Collect

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.

Readings for the Week Ahead...

Sun 13th December Luke 9 v 28-36

Mon 14th December Luke 9 v 37-50

Tues 15th December Luke 9 v 51-62

Weds 16th December Luke 10 v 1-24

Thur 17th December Luke 10 v 25-37

Fri 18th December Luke 10 v 38-42

Sat 19th December Luke 11 v 1-13

For your December Diary...

13th Christingle 4:00 p.m.

20th Carol Service 4:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.

22nd Carols by Zoomlight 7:00 p.m.

24th Crib Service 4 p.m.

24th Communion –All Saints Church live 6:00 p.m. *Bookings essential via Jo*

25th Christmas Day Service **10:00 a.m**.

Open for Prayer: Sunday 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Thursday 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.



All Saints will be open for private prayer with Social Distancing and hygiene requirements in place and subject to change at short notice.

Face covering must be worn unless personally exempt.



Resources and Contacts

Our Web Site





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DEADLINE for Content

Items, preferably via e-mail, to jodarlison94@gmail.com

By Wednesday 5 p.m.

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