

#### The Parish of Darfield

All Saints, Darfield and St Michael, Great Houghton

## Sunday 27th November 2022: Advent Sunday

9:00 a.m. Holy Communion: *Great Houghton* 10:45 a.m. Service for Sunday: *Darfield* 

**Sunday 4th November 2022: Second in Advent** 

10:45 a.m. Holy Communion: Darfield

## Wanted - Church Hall Administrator

Our Church Hall is now being used by several groups on a regular basis as well as one-off bookings. **We urgently need a team or an individual** to take over the administration associated with these bookings and the running of the Hall.

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This will involve...

- ... being the contact point for the regular groups and for new enquiries and bookings.
- ... being available to open and close the Hall for additional bookings.
- ... monitoring and managing supplies such as tea towels and tablecloths
- ... liaison with our cleaner, PCC Treasurer and Heating Controller

Will you take on this vital role of outreach to our community?

Be fully aware that if no-one steps forward by 1<sup>st</sup> January 2023 we face the prospect of closing our Church Hall and, then as a total financial liability, ultimately selling it.

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#### **Focus on Missions:**

"All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me, therefore go and make disciples of all nations" [Matthew 28: 18,19]

How can we obey this, our Lord's last earthly command to his disciples? We may not be able to do it ourselves but there is a wide range of societies which support mission work at home and abroad, usually in conjunction with local mission organisations.

For many years, your PCC has given one tenth of its income from Planned Giving [envelopes and standing orders] to support groups and individuals involved in this work.

In 2022, the sum of £2285 was allocated to this work and divided equally between the five missions on the PCC's support list. Thus, £457 has been sent to **Release International**, **the Bible Society, Scripture Union, CPAS** and the **Goldthorpe Salvation Army Foodbank**. When the monies are sent, the Societies are assured of our continuing prayers and their acknowledgements can be found on the Church notice board.

Please continue to pray for the societies as they work in their individual areas. Our donations allow this to continue.

#### Over the next few Weeks

4th December: 10:45 a.m. Darfield [HC]

10th December: 11:00 a.m. Christmas Fair Darfield11th December 9:00 a.m. Great Houghton [HC]

11th December: 10:45 a.m. Darfield

11th December: 6:00 p.m. Carols at Great Houghton 18th December: 6:00 p.m. Carols by Candlelight [D] 21st December 10:00 a.m. Messy Christingle [D] 22nd December 10:00 a.m. Messy Carols [GH]

## **Christmas Fair**

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## **Saturday 10th December**

11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Darfield Church Hall

#### Wanted:

Good as new items: Katy Stanton:
Books and Raffle Prizes: Sue & Pam:
Baking/Home-made: Catherine Alderson:
Soft Toys & Teddies: Sheila: Books Ruth Harrison:

## Advent Sunday Collect

Almighty God, as Your kingdom dawns, turn us from the darkness of sin to the light of holiness, that we may be ready to meet You in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

### Readings

Isaiah 2: 1-5

Psalm 122

Romans 13: 11-14

St Matthew 24: 36-44

## Bible Readings for this week

#### November

27th Psalm 107: 1 - 22 28th Psalm 107: 23 - 43

29th Psalm 108

30th Psalm 109

#### December

1st Psalm 110 2nd Exodus 9: 1-12 3rd Exodus 9: 13-35

# Prayer Square This week we are praying for groups we support...

- ... The Bible Society
- ... Scripture Union
- ... Release International
- ... CPAS
- ... Goldthorpe Salvation Army Food Bank

#### Prayer:

Forward any prayer requests to our Prayer Ministry team through

Carol Hunter: 07542 527 331

#### A Prayer for Growth:

Lord Jesus, as a Church Family in All Saints' and St Michael's, it is our mission to know You and proclaim You.

We want to connect with our community and see Your Kingdom grow. Send Your Holy Spirit to renew, invigorate and inspire us in our work for You.

Give us grace, wisdom and joy as we seek to hold out Your Word. Make us strong, powerful and courageous witnesses and grant that we grow in faith and in numbers, to the honour of Your Name Amen

#### The PCC, your Parochial Church Council

The PCC is responsible, along with the Priest in Charge, for the policies and the day to day running of the Parish. Members are normally elected at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting, held in the Spring of each year, usually for a three year term. The PPC meets regularly to organise and maintain the life of our Parish.

Since the 2022 Annual Meeting, the PCC has had one vacant position. At a recent meeting, Karen Walton was elected to fill this vacancy.

There are now 14 members of the PCC as follows

Priest in Charge Rev Fiona Kouble, Churchwarden Peter Robinson, Deanery Synod Representatives Jo Darlison and Olive Shaw: Elected Members Kay Valentine, Sue Lee, Frank Lee, John McMillan, Sheila McMillan, Rob Stanton, Katy Stanton, Carol Hunter and Karen Walton: Great Houghton Representative: Sylvia Martin;

#### From the Parish Registers

**20th November 2022**: St Michael's Great Houghton

**Baptism: Isaac Jacob Shaw** 

23rd November 2022: Funeral: Lydia Guest aged 44

All Saints Darfield & Darfield Cemetery

**23rd November 2022:** Funeral: John Hutchinson aged 74

St Michael's & Great Houghton Cemetery

#### **Christmas Communion Services in the Parish**

Saturday 24th December11:30 p.m. St Michael's Great HoughtonSunday 25th December9:00 a.m. St Michael's Great Houghton

Sunday 25th December 10:00 a.m. All Saints, Darfield

#### Psalm 122: 1,2,6

- I was glad when they said unto me, let us go into the house of the Lord.
- Our feet shall stand within thy gates, O Jerusalem.
- 6 Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: they shall prosper that love thee.

#### **Resources and Contacts**

 Churchwarden
 Peter Robinson
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 Parish Admin
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 Clergy
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 07817 167 386

**Safeguarding** contact Jo Darlison <u>io.darlison@sheffield.anglican.</u>org 07469 857 315

#### **DEADLINE for Content**

Items, preferably via e-mail, to <a href="mailto:pdrobinson@live.co.uk">pdrobinson@live.co.uk</a>

Tuesday 5:00 p.m.

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