



The Parish of Darfield

All Saints, Darfield and St Michael, Great Houghton

Sunday 28th August 2022: Eleventh after Trinity

9:00 a.m. Holy Communion: Thurnscoe

10:45 a.m. Holy Communion: Darfield

Sunday 4th September 2022: Twelfth after Trinity

9:00 a.m. Holy Communion: Great Houghton

10:45 a.m. Service for Sunday: Darfield

St Aidan, Apostle of Northumbria. Feast Day 31st August:

Aidan was of Irish descent and, from an early age was a monk at the monastery on the island of Iona, off the west coast of Scotland. The monastery was founded in 563 by Columba, an Irish abbot and missionary evangelist and was the base for spreading Celtic Christianity to the pagan Northern Pictish Kingdoms. Iona remained an important religious and political centre, sending monks throughout Europe, until the Viking attacks between 795 and 825 led to the martyrdom of many of the monks, the relocation to Ireland of others and the destruction of Columba's monastery.

A Benedictine Monastery was established on Iona in 1203 and a new Abbey church was built. During the sixteenth Century, the Scottish Reformation led to the community being displaced and the buildings left derelict. In the 20th Century the Iona Cathedral Trust undertook extensive restoration of the buildings.

The Kingdom of Northumbria, which as its name implies, stretched northwards from the Humber and the Mersey estuaries to what we now recognise as the Scottish Borders, and Dumfries and Galloway.

Oswald, the son of the king of the northern part of Northumbria, had been exiled to the west coast of Scotland and had converted to Christianity.

In 633-4, Oswald defeated the previous ruler, Cadwallon, at the Battle of Heathfield, near Hexham. Before the battle, tradition says that he had a wooden cross erected and prayed with his army. Oswald re-united Northumbria and set out to re-establish Christianity in his Kingdom. A request to the monks at Iona brought Aidan to Northumbria. He and his team of monks had great success in spreading the Christian Faith throughout the Kingdom. Around 634, Aidan established a monastery on the tidal Island of Lindisfarne, off the coast of Northumbria as his base for evangelism. It flourished until the Viking invasions. Aidan spent much of his time travelling throughout the countryside spreading the Gospel to all levels of society.

We can see the glass-artists' impressions of Oswald and Aidan in our East Window where Aidan is seen leaving Iona for Northumbria and preaching to Northumbrian soldiers with King Oswald translating.

King Oswald died in 642 at the Battle of Maserfield against the pagan King Penda of Mercia. He was succeeded by his brother Oswiu who continued to promote Christianity throughout his kingdom and established the Abbey at Whitby where he presided over the Synod of Whitby in 644 which decided that his kingdom would follow the customs of Rome rather than those of the Celtic monks.

Aidan died at Bamburgh on 31st August 651 after becoming ill on one of his missionary tours. The present 12th Century Church of St Aidan, Bamburgh, includes a preserved wooden beam from Aidan's Church of 635.

Over the next few Weeks

August: Churchyard Trail - Creation

28th August:	10:45 a.m.	Darfield [HC]
4th September:	9:00 a.m.	Great Houghton [HC]
4th September:	10:45 a.m.	Darfield
10th September:	10:00 a.m.	Heritage Opening Darfield
11th September:	10:45 a.m.	Darfield [HC]
11th September:	2:00 p.m.	Heritage Opening Darfield
12th September:	8:00 p.m.	Zoom Prayer Meeting
18th September:	9:00 a.m.	Great Houghton [HC]
18th September:	10:45 a.m.	Darfield

Places of Honour:

Read Proverbs 25: 6-7 & St Luke 14: 7-11

Have you ever wondered why event organisers go to the trouble of creating seating plans and putting out place markers for the guests?

Today's Gospel reading describes our Lord's comments on how guests seat themselves in the absence of such a plan and the potential humiliation that befalls anyone who sits in a place and then has to move to accommodate someone with a higher perceived status. The same observations were made by King Solomon in the Old Testament Book of Proverbs.

Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

Collect

God of glory, the end of our searching, help us to lay aside all that prevents us from seeking your kingdom, and to give all that we have to gain the pearl beyond all price, through our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Readings

Proverbs 25: 6-7

Psalms 112

Hebrews 13: 1-8, 15, 16

St Luke 14: 1, 7-14

Bible Readings for this week

August

28th Psalm 69: 1-15

29th Psalm 69: 16-36

30th Psalm 70

31st Psalm 71: 1-13

September

1st Psalm 71: 14-24

2nd Psalm 72: 1-11

3rd Psalm 72: 12-20

Leading your Church into Growth;

The LYCIG Collect

God of Mission, who alone brings growth to Your Church, send Your Holy Spirit to give **Vision** to our planning, **Wisdom** to our actions, and **Power** to our witness.

Help our church to grow in numbers, In spiritual commitment to you, And in service to our local community, Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Prayer:

Forward any prayer requests to our Prayer Ministry team through

Carol Hunter: 07542 527 331

Prayer Meeting: Monday 12th September 2022 8:00 p.m.

From September, the monthly Zoom Prayer Meeting will be held on the Second Monday of the month,

Join us on Zoom for half an hour to pray for all things needful.

Contact **Carol Hunter** for the Zoom link.

Heritage Open Days:

All Saints will be open on **Saturday 10th September and Sunday 11th September** under this National scheme.

We will need everyone's involvement to meet and greet our visitors and to refresh them physically and spiritually: **Book the dates to be with us**



Are you interested in joining a Book Club?

If so, fill in a questionnaire, available from Rachel Ward or Andrea Harrison, and attend a planning/first meeting on **Thursday 22nd September at 7:00 p.m.** in the Rectory Cottage.

From the Parish Registers:

Thursday 18th August: Leah Dorothy Higginbottom MBE aged 81

St Michael's, Great Houghton and Great Houghton Cemetery

Friday 19th August: Valerie Schofield aged 82

All Saints, Darfield and Barnsley Crematorium

Funerals:

Tuesday 29th August: 12:00 Margaret Nuttall

All Saints, Darfield and Darfield Cemetery

Friday 2nd September: 2:30 p.m. Laura Fearons

All Saints, Darfield and Darfield Cemetery

Please pray for their families and friends

Psalm 112: 1

¹ Praise the Lord. Blessed are those who fear the Lord, who find great delight in his commands.

A final place to fill: WANTED: Will **you** help? Brighten Wednesday mornings by making a written contribution to this news Sheet. Why not share a favourite Bible verse or hymn with our readers?

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Tuesday 5:00 p.m.

All Saints

St Michael



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