

The Parish of Darfield

All Saints, Darfield and St Michael, Great Houghton

Sunday 7th November 2021 Third Sunday before Advent

9:00 a.m. Holy Communion, Thurnscoe 10:30 a.m. Partnership Service on Facebook 10:45 a.m. Holy Communion, Darfield

The Minor Prophets: Jonah: A second chance...

Jonah was a reluctant prophet from the northern Kingdom of Israel around the 8th Century BC.

The target of his prophesy was to be Nineveh, the capital of the neo-Assyrian Empire and one of the largest cities in the known world at that time. It was situated on the Tigris River close to modern day Mosul in Iraq.

The Lord commanded Jonah to "Go to the great city of Nineveh and preach against it, because its wickedness has come up before Me." [Jonah 1:1]. Jonah had other ideas and headed west to the port of Joppa where he boarded a ship bound for Tarshish. When a great storm arose, prompted by the Lord, Jonah was in a deep sleep as the crew battled with the weather conditions. When Jonah was awakened, he realised the significance of the storm and urged the sailors to throw him overboard. They did this and the sea grew calm [Jonah 1: 15].

Jonah escaped drowning by being swallowed by a huge fish, sent by the LORD, and spent three days and nights there before his prayers were answered and he was vomited onto dry land. [Jonah 2: 1-10]

Jonah then obeyed the Lord's second command to go to Nineveh [Jonah 3: 1-3]. Jonah entered the city and his warning that "Forty more days and Nineveh will be overthrown." was heeded and the rulers and people repented, believed in God [Jonah 3: 5] and were spared their threatened destruction [Jonah 3: 10]. After all this, Jonah was angry at the Lord's compassion on what Jonah saw as a threat to the Northern Kingdom.

When asked by some of the Pharisees and Teachers of the Law for a sign from Him [St Matthew 12: 38], Jesus uses Jonah as an example. "For as Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of a huge fish, so the Son of Man will be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth", [St Mathew 12: 40] Jonah was a sign to the inhabitants of Nineveh in the same way that Jesus would be a sign to that generation and to us.

Sunday 14th November: Remembrance Sunday

The morning service at All Saints will start at 10:00 a.m.



Forthcoming Services

7th November: 9:00 a.m. St Helen, Thurnscoe 7th November: 10:45 a.m. All Saints, Darfield [HC]

14th November: 10:00 a.m. Remembrance, Darfield

21st November: 9:00 a.m. St Helen Thurnscoe 21st November: 10:45 a.m. All Saints Darfield [HC]

Legacy

We acknowledge the receipt of a legacy of £2,291.13 from the Estate of the late Mrs Barbara Winder. It was left to the Vicar and Churchwardens of All Saints Church, Darfield, on trust to apply for the maintenance, renewal and repair of the structure and fabric of All Saints Church.

Prayer Requests

Please pray for

Olive & Raymond Shaw Pat Bentley

Steve & Val Myers

Stella and Raymond Firth

Barry & Joan Bramall

Andrea & Andrew Harrison

Eddie and Elaine

Linda and her family

Our Bereaved Families

The families of

Sadie Wharam

Berenice Yolande Hellewell

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3rd Sunday before Advent Collect

God, our refuge and strength, bring near the day when wars shall cease and poverty and pain shall end, that earth may know the peace of heaven through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Readings

Jonah 3: 1-5, 10 Psalm 62: 5-12 Hebrews 9: 24-28 St Mark 1: 14-20

Bible Readings for this week

November:

7th 2 Peter 2: 1-10 2 Peter 2: 11-22 8th 2 Peter 3: 1-10 9th 2 Peter 3: 11-18 10th 1 John 1: 1-10 11th 1 John 2: 1-11 12th 1 John 2: 12-17 13th

The Diocesan Vision Prayer

Living God, Jesus calls his followers to seek first your Kingdom.

RENEW us as we make your love known;

RELEASE us to share freely together in mission;

and **REJUVENATE** us to be fruitful in your service.

Give us courage, wisdom and compassion, that strengthened with the grace of the Holy Spirit, we may, as the Diocese of Sheffield, both flourish and grow through Christ our Lord.

Hilda of Whitby: [c 614-680] 19th November

Abbess Hilda features in one of the panels of the East Window in All Saints

A double monastery, for both monks and nuns, was founded by King Oswy of Northumberland in 657 at Streoneshalhin, the original name for Whitby with Hilda as its first Abbess. In 664, the Synod of Whitby decided that the Northumbrian Church should follow the practices of the Roman Church rather than that of the Celtic Church including the calculation of the date of Easter.

The scene shown in the window demonstrates Hilda's concern for ordinary folk. She is listening to Caedmon, one of the herdsmen of the Abbey who was inspired in a dream to sing verses in praise of God. Having previously shown no musical skills, he was encouraged by Abbess Hilda to develop his God given talent. He became a monk and one of the earliest known Christian poets.

From the Parish Registers

Friday 29th October 2021

Annette Hart

Funeral **Barnsley Crematorium**

Saturday 30th October 2021

Peter Barber and Louise Deakin

All Saints, Darfield Wedding

Monday 1st November 2021

Berenice Yolande Hellewell

Funeral: St Michael's Great Houghton

and Great Houghton Cemetery

Resources and Contacts

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St Michael



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