

The Parish of Darfield

All Saints Darfield and St Michael Great Houghton

Sunday 5th July 2026 Fifth Sunday after Trinity

9:00 a.m. Holy Communion Gt Houghton

10:45 a.m. Morning Worship Darfield

Sunday 12th July 2026 Sixth Sunday after Trinity

10:45 a.m. Holy Communion Darfield

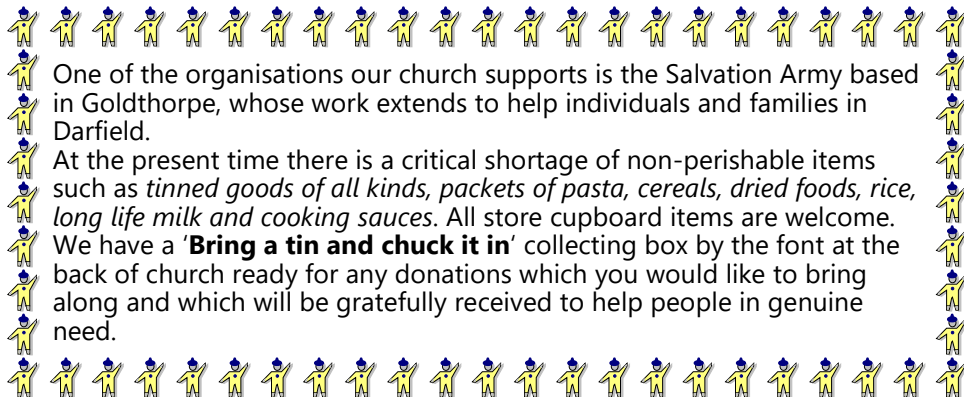
The Next Generation [Genesis 23: & 24:]

Abraham and Sarah continued to live in the area occupied by the Hittites. The Hittites had established a powerful empire in modern day Türkiye and northern Syria and were one of the major superpowers at the time of Abraham.

When Sarah died, Abraham negotiated with the Hittite authorities to buy some property for a burial plot for Sarah. Even though he described himself as a *foreigner and stranger amongst them*, Abraham was recognised as a mighty prince. [Genesis 23: 4-6] He was offered the choicest of tombs and eventually settled on the cave of Machpelah belonging to Ephron. Even though Ephron wanted to give the tomb to Abraham, Abraham insisted on paying the realistic price of four hundred shekels of silver. Then Sarah was buried in the cave which was near Hebron in Canaan.

As Isaac was growing up and Abraham getting older, thoughts turned to finding a wife for Isaac. The task was given to Abraham's senior servant who was sent to Haran where Abraham had lived for a while as he moved from Ur to Canaan. Abraham's father, Teram, had settled in Haran which formed a home for Teram's other descendants.

Abraham's servant reached Nahor late in the afternoon and rested by the village well at the time when the women of the town went to draw water. The servant prayed for guidance from the Lord to indicate the choice of a wife for Isaac. Rebekah was the daughter of Bethuel, son of Milkah, the wife of Abraham's brother Nahor. Rebekah fulfilled the dialogue that the servant had established with the Lord. Rebekah returned with the servant and married Isaac.



One of the organisations our church supports is the Salvation Army based in Goldthorpe, whose work extends to help individuals and families in Darfield.

At the present time there is a critical shortage of non-perishable items such as *tinned goods of all kinds, packets of pasta, cereals, dried foods, rice, long life milk and cooking sauces*. All store cupboard items are welcome. We have a **'Bring a tin and chuck it in'** collecting box by the font at the back of church ready for any donations which you would like to bring along and which will be gratefully received to help people in genuine need.

Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Almighty God, send down upon your Church the riches of your Spirit, and kindle in all who minister the gospel your countless gifts of grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Readings

Genesis 24: 34-38, 42-49, 58-67

Psalm 45: 10-17

Romans 7: 15-25a

Matthew 11: 16-19, 25-30

Readings for this week

July

5th	1 Peter 1: 1-12
6th	1 Peter 1: 13-25
7th	1 Peter 2: 1-10
8th	Daniel 6: 19-28
9th	Daniel 7: 1-8
10th	Daniel 7: 9-14
11th	Daniel 7: 15-28
12th	Daniel 8: 1-14

Prayer:

Forward any prayer requests to our Prayer Ministry team through **Carol Hunter: 07542 527 331**

Prayer Square
This week we are praying for residents of **Great Houghton**

High Street
School Street
Vaughan Terrace
Normandale Road
Garraby Close
Springvale Road

Community Shop on the Go Next Community Shop:

Thursday 9th July

Warm Space:

Thursday 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Great Houghton Thoughtful Thursday

11:00 a.m. to noon.

Craft and Natter

Tuesday 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.



TEDDY BEARS' PARACHUTE JUMP

Saturday 11th July between 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.

All Saints Church Darfield

Bring your teddy with parachute to Registration at 10:30 a.m.

Hydration and Snack tables

Resources and Contacts

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