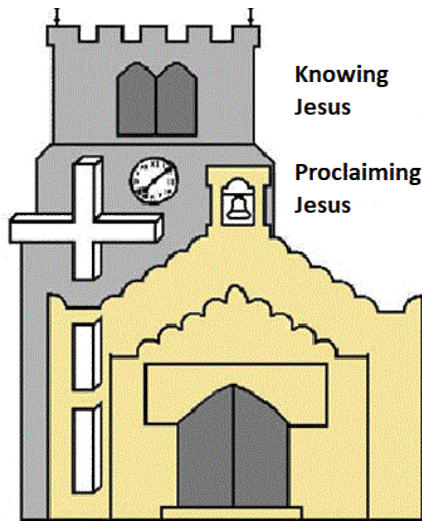




The Parish of Darfield

All Saints Darfield and St Michael Great Houghton

Sunday 16th November 2025

Second Sunday before Advent

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

10:45 a.m. Morning Worship *Darfield*

4:00 p.m. Café Church *Darfield Church Hall*

Sunday 23rd November 2025

First Sunday before Advent - Christ the King

10:45 a.m. Holy Communion *Darfield*

Christmas Fair - Saturday 29th November 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. *Darfield Church Hall.*

There is a box in church for donations of new items for the raffle and tombola.

Help will be needed to set the tables up on the previous afternoon and to clear up after the event.

See Sheila for more details

The Tithe - our Mission Giving

Every year your PCC tithes its income at All Saints to support Mission outside our Parish. Donations received in the numbered giving envelopes and standing orders are identified as **Planned Giving** and ten percent of the total is allocated to the Tithe. The recipients may change from year to year but for 2025 this tithe was given to five 'missions'

These are **Church Pastoral Aid Society (CPAS)**, **Scripture Union**, **Bible Society**, **Release International** and **Salvation Army (Goldthorpe Food Bank)**. The amount is calculated on the figures shown in the previous year's accounts and the tithe for 2025 was £2,400 which meant that each received **£480**. We have now received thank you letters which are on the noticeboard at the back of church and include the following snippets –

From Scripture Union – *"You are such a blessing to us. Your donation is helping children and young people find God and begin a spiritual journey with him. Thank you helping to reveal Jesus to even more children and young people not in church."*

From CPAS – *"With your continued support, our Leadership Development Team will be able to equip church leaders across the UK for local mission through resources, online webinars, and training courses. Your kind donation plays a vital role in making life-changing discipleship holidays possible, giving children and young people the opportunity to grow in faith."*

From Release International – *"Our magazine shares the stories of Christians in Nigeria, Iran, Armenia and Pakistan. Your gift could help provide packs of essentials such as food and hygiene supplies to those who have been attacked. It could help fund trauma healing workshops in Nigeria or support the work of Strength to Stand groups in Pakistan and Egypt. Thank you for your support which means we can continue to love and serve our persecuted brothers and sisters".*

From The Bible Society – *"I just wanted to write a little note to thank you for the recent financial donation. We really do appreciate you partnering with us in our mission. May God bless you as a community".*

We hope to have speakers from these various missions at some of our Sunday Services. The first will be from CPAS in January – watch out for details nearer the time.

Café Church

This month's Café Church is on **Sunday 16th November at 4:00 p.m.** Have you given it a try yet?

It's a very informal and joyful get-together to praise God. It always starts with a cuppa and cake (or sausage roll). It includes songs – with actions for the energetic, short prayers, a story, a challenge, and plenty of scope for doodling and chatting about the week's theme. This week the theme is **'Firm or Wobbly?'**. I hope that is not too personal a question! Come along and find out what it is all about. This is the last Café Church before Christmas as we do not have one scheduled for December.

Take the chance to bring along people new to church.

2nd Sunday before Advent

Heavenly Lord, you long for the world's salvation: stir us from apathy, restrain us from excess and revive in us new hope that all creation will one day be healed in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Readings

Malachi 4: 1-2a
Psalm 98
2 Thessalonians 3: 6-13
Luke 21: 5-19

Readings for this week November

16th	Proverbs 20: 21-30
17th	Proverbs 21: 1-10
18th	Proverbs 21: 11-20
19th	Galatians 5: 1-12
20th	Galatians 5: 13-26
21st	Galatians 6: 1-10
22nd	Galatians 6: 11-18
23rd	Ephesians 1: 1-14

Prayer Square

This week we are praying
for the Residents of
Darfield

Meadow Drive
Church View
Riverside Close
Cliff Drive
Cliff Road
Maran Avenue
Attlee Crescent

Prayer:

Forward any prayer requests to our
Prayer Ministry team through

Carol Hunter: 07542 527 331

Community Shop on the Go and Warm Welcome Space

Darfield Church Hall

Thursday 27th November from 9:30 a.m.

Community Shop will be back on 11th December

*Free Warm Welcome Space is open
every Thursday between 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.*

Tithing

The principles of tithing were set out by the LORD in Deuteronomy 14: 22. *"Be sure to set aside a tenth of all that your fields produce each year"*. This was to support the Levitical Priesthood and Religious Feasts, and to aid the poor, fatherless, and widows. Even earlier, Abraham and Jacob had established the principle. Abraham gave *'a tenth of everything'* to Melchizedek, King of Salem who was a Priest of God Most High in return for a blessing [Genesis 14: 18-20]. Following his dream of a stairway linking Earth to Heaven and the LORD's Covenant with him that his descendants would inhabit that area, Jacob vowed to the LORD that *"of all that you give me I will give you a tenth."* [Genesis 28: 10-22]. How do we match up to this principle?

St Michael's Great Houghton is open for...

Craft and Natter on Tuesdays between 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m.

Thoughtful Thursdays between 11:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon

A Pamper and Fundraising Event:

Thursday 20th November 2025:

7:00 p.m. at Billingley Village Hall

Ally Warwick is to host a Pamper and Fundraising event on Thursday 20th November. You can try out some lovely products from Tropic, a green and ethical skincare brand which won Dragon's Den several years ago! As well as being a cosy pamper evening, it is also to raise money for the Salvation Army in Goldthorpe - Alison Sykes will be attending this event and will be taking all proceeds from tickets and raffle prizes to buy Christmas presents for children of families in financial need. This is such an amazing thing that Alison does to try and avoid the mums going to loan sharks to be able to buy their presents for their kids.

We are also looking for donations and Alison asked if anyone could give children's underwear (pants and socks) and children's nightwear (pjs and nighties) as these are the items most requested by mums who come to their warm space. If you have anything you would like to donate, kindly bring them to church and see Ally as she will be able to take them from you to give to Alison. Thank you so much!!

Resources and Contacts

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Tuesday 5:00 p.m.

All Saints



St Michael



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