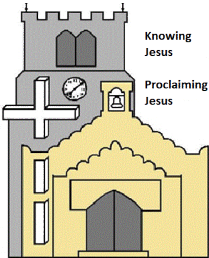


The Parish of Darfield

All Saints Darfield and St Michael Great Houghton



Sunday 23rd November 2025

First Sunday before Advent - Christ the King

10:45 a.m. Holy Communion Darfield

Sunday 30th November 2025

Advent Sunday

10:45 a.m. Breakfast Service Darfield

3:00 p.m. Afternoon Service Great Houghton

Christmas Fair Darfield Church Hall

Saturday 29th November 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

All hands on deck - In preparation for our Christmas Fair the Church Hall will be open on **Friday between 1:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m.** to get the tables in place and ready for setting up.

This is a real case of "*Many hands make light work*" and it is hoped that this will be our experience!

The Hall will be open on **Saturday from 8:30 a.m.** to set up and to receive any last minute contributions.

Help with clearing up at the end will be very much appreciated

Do come and help to make this an opportunity to welcome everyone to this special event in our calendar 🙏

Christ the King: The Sunday next before Advent.

The four Sundays before Advent are described as **Kingdomtide** where we concentrate on the true Kingship of Christ. The Feast of Christ the King was instituted in the early 20th Century and this Sunday marks the end, for a while, of what is known as **Ordinary Time**. Next week, on **Advent Sunday**, we will begin a new liturgical year in the life of the Church. We will then in succession mark the feasts of Advent, Christmas, Epiphany, Lent and Easter before returning to Ordinary Time after Trinity.

Those of us familiar with the Book of Common Prayer will know this Sunday as the Twenty-fifth Sunday after Trinity or the Sunday next before Advent. The opening phrase – "**Stir up we beseech Thee O Lord**" gave rise to family customs of making the Christmas Puddings. These words are intended to inspire the faithful to be mindful of the season where we look forward to hear once more the accounts of the birth of Jesus in our world. In our Carol services, the readings and carols will remind us of this and some of the many references to the promised Messiah from the Old Testament.

Christ the King

God the Father, help us to hear the call of Christ the King and to follow in His service, whose kingdom has no end; for He reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, one glory.

Readings

Jeremiah 23: 1-6

Psalms 46

Colossians 1: 11-20

Luke 23: 33-43

Readings for this week

November

23rd Ephesians 1: 1-14

24th Ephesians 1: 15-23

25th Ephesians 2: 1-10

26th Proverbs 21: 11-20

27th Proverbs 21: 21-31

28th Proverbs 22: 1-16

29th Proverbs 22: 17-29

30th Proverbs 23: 1-9

Prayer:

Forward any prayer requests to our Prayer Ministry team through

Carol Hunter: 07542 527 331

Prayer Square

This week we are praying for the residents of Darfield

*Doncaster Road
Fitzwilliam Road
Balkley Lane
Howard Street
Cover Drive
Norville Crescent
Middlewood Hall*

Community Shop on the Go

Warm Welcome Space

Darfield Church Hall

Community shop

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

Free Warm Space - every week

9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

STIR UP, O LORD, the wills of your faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may by you be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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