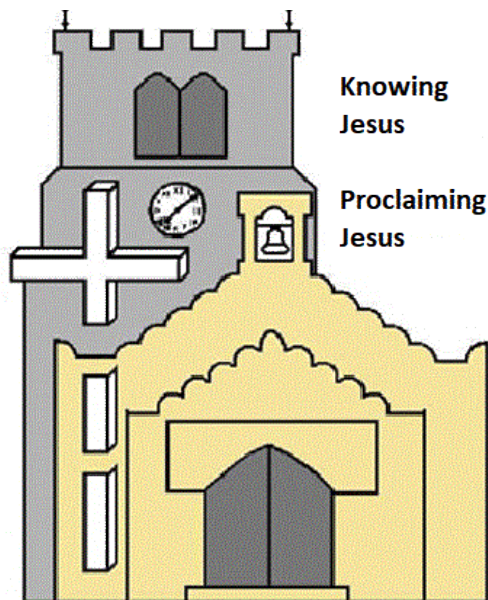




The Parish of Darfield

All Saints Darfield and St Michael Great Houghton

Sunday 15th June 2025

Trinity Sunday

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 22nd June 2025

First Sunday after Trinity

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

Followed by Extraordinary Meeting of Parishioners

Saturday 21st June - Church Garden Party
Next Saturday! In the Rectory Garden
Between 11:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

*We aim to be a visible spiritual
 presence in our communities
 as we strive to make Jesus known to all.*

in nomine Patris et Filii et Spiritus Sancti

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit [Matthew 28: 19]

The familiar words of Christ's great commission to His disciples is often used as an introduction to our services. In its original context, the words followed the command to "go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them..." Had you been alert at your Baptism; you would have heard these words as the priest sprinkled water on your forehead three times and made the sign of the cross. In our present Baptism Service, the families are often reminded that this symbolic cross cannot be removed.

Trinity Sunday is when we pause at roughly the half-way point in our church's year to consider the **Three in One and One in Three** as a less well-known hymn puts it [1849: Gilbert Rorison 1821-1869]. Many a young Curate has found themselves appearing on the preaching rota on Trinity Sunday with, perhaps, the most difficult theme. Where do we Start? Let's turn to the Book of Common Prayer where we find the Thirty-Nine Articles. Completed in 1571, these form the basis of the doctrines and practices of the Church of England. It should be no surprise that the Holy Trinity feature in the first Article. - *There is but one living and true God, ever- lasting, without body, parts, or passions; of infinite power, wisdom, and goodness; the Maker, and Preserver of all things both visible and invisible. And in unity of this Godhead there be three Persons of one substance, power, and eternity; the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.*

The second Article describes "*The Son, which is the Word of the Father*" and being "*of one substance with the Father.*" The Holy Ghost is described in Article Five as "*proceeding from the Father and the Son, is of one substance, majesty, and glory, with the Father and the Son*" In our various services we say different versions of the Creed which emphasise the trinitarian nature of God, Father Son and Holy Spirit.

Does it come as a surprise to you that the word Trinity does not appear in the Bible? However, the theme of the three parts of God begins in Genesis with the Spirit of God hovering over the waters. The familiar passage from John's Gospel which is usually the final reading in most Carol services describes the Word, a description of Jesus, as being "*with God, and the Word was God.*" [John 1: 1].

The word Trinity ultimately derives from the Latin for three. The doctrine of the Trinity developed from the great commission. The Nicene Creed which forms part of the Holy Communion Service in the Book of Common Prayer was adopted by the First Council of Nicaea in 325 AD. This Council was summoned by the Roman Emperor Constantine where representative from across the Roman Empire attempted to come to an agreement on doctrinal matters. The Council of Constantinople in 381 AD amended the text to what we have today. The Creed has two statements which affirm the three-fold nature of God. Jesus is described as "*being of one substance with the Father*" and the Holy Ghost as "*proceeding from the Father and the Son*". In the Common Worship Baptism service, the congregation is challenged to confess their faith with the response "**This is our faith. We believe and trust in one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**" We may not be able to fully understand the Trinity but we can appreciate the different rôles played by God as creator, Jesus Christ as Saviour and the Holy Spirit as comforter and helper.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all [2 Corinthians 13: 14]

Trinity Sunday

Holy God, faithful and unchanging: enlarge our minds with the knowledge of your truth, and draw us more deeply into the mystery of your love, that we may truly worship you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Readings

Proverbs 8: 1-4,22-31

Psalm 8

Romans 5: 1-5

John 16: 12-15

Readings for this week

June

15th	Psalm 132
16th	Psalm 133
17th	Psalm 134
18th	Psalm 135: 1-7
19th	Psalm 135: 8-21
20th	Psalm 136: 1-12
21st	Romans 12: 9-21
22nd	Romans 13: 1-7



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 26th June from 9:00 a.m.

Community Shop - Next Dates: 10th and 24th July

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

Extraordinary Meeting of Parishioners

Sunday 22nd June

After the 10:45 a.m. Morning Service

Purpose: to elect one Churchwarden for the Parish

All Saints Academy is in the process of transferring to the Sheffield Diocesan Academies Trust.

Part of the process requires the agreement of the Rector and Churchwardens of Darfield as Trustees of the land on which the school stands. We need a second Churchwarden to be able to help this process along.

Nomination forms will be available and must be returned before the start of the meeting.

Psalm 8: 1,2

- 1 *Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory in the heavens.*
- 2 *Through the praise of children and infants you have established a stronghold against your enemies, to silence the foe and the avenger.*

Prayer Square

Please pray for **Pat Bentley**, who together with her late husband Granville have been much loved and very active members of our church family for over four decades.

Pat is very poorly and is now receiving palliative care in the nursing home where she has been cared for during the last few years.

Resources and Contacts

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Tuesday 5:00 p.m.

All Saints



St Michael



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