



The Parish of Darfield

All Saints, Darfield and St Michael, Great Houghton

Sunday 21st March 2021

5th Sunday of Lent

10:30 a.m. Partnership Service on Facebook

Followed by All Saints Coffee Time on Zoom

Public Worship and Private Prayer

Our Churches remain closed for Public Worship and Private Prayer

Easter Trail

Easter Bag for the Children!

Monday 29th March

10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

All Saints Church Darfield



Come and discover the Easter story around the Church grounds and collect a free Easter Bag for your child.

Bags and pick-up times on Monday must be pre-booked

Email: allsaintschurcharfield@gmail.com

Sorry - All bags have been allocated

Book early as bags are limited.

The trail will be available until Sunday 11th April

As you visit the Churchyard with your family group or bubble please observe social distancing and respect other visitors.

Annual Parochial Meetings

Preliminary notice is given that the Annual Meetings to elect Churchwardens and PCC members, and to receive the Annual Report and Accounts of the PCC will be held on Tuesday 27th April 2021.

The Electoral Roll of the Parish will be revised commencing on 31st March 2021 and ending on 11th April 2021. No names can be added to the Roll between 12th April and the Annual Meetings. If you are not on the Electoral Roll you will not be able to vote at the Annual Meetings.

To obtain a form: contact Bill Hinds, Electoral Roll Office
Email: allsaintschurcharfield@gmail.com
Contact Peter Robinson on 01226 753 572

Prayer Requests

Please pray for

Olive & Raymond Shaw

Pat Bentley

Steven, Kate and their families

Steve & Val Myers

The family of Edith Turner

Rachael Houston and the

family of Andy Houston.

Contact: Carol Hunter

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Collect

Gracious Father,
You gave up Your Son out of
love for the world:
lead us to ponder the
mysteries of His passion that
we may know eternal peace
through the shedding of our
Saviour's blood,
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Readings

Jeremiah 31: 31-34

Psalm 51: 1-13

Psalm 119: 9-16

Hebrews 5: 5-10

St John 12: 20-33

Bible Readings for this week

March:

21st Acts 17: 10-15

22nd Acts 17: 16-34

23rd Acts 18: 1-17

24th Acts 18: 18-28

25th Acts 19: 1-22

26th Acts 19: 23-41

27th Acts 20: 1-6

The Annunciation: March 25th

Collect

We beseech you, O Lord, pour your grace into our hearts, that as we have known the incarnation of your Son Jesus Christ by the message of an angel,
so by his cross and passion we may be brought to the glory of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God,
now and for ever

Readings

Isaiah: 10-14 Psalm 40: 5-11 Hebrews 10: 4-10 St Luke 1: 26-38

The Annunciation: The Angel Gabriel on God's Work.

Have you ever knowingly met an Angel of the Lord?

In the first Chapter of St John's Gospel we read of two such meetings crucial to our Saviour's life and ministry on Earth.

We are first taken to a city in the Hill Country of Judah, where the priest Zechariah lives with his wife Elizabeth. Both are getting on in years and, because Elizabeth was barren, were child-less.

Whilst Zechariah was in the Temple burning incense, he was visited by the Angel Gabriel. Zechariah was told that he and Elizabeth were to have a son to be named John who would prepare the people to receive their Lord.

We are then taken to Nazareth in Galilee, where we find the Angel Gabriel on another mission. The objective, to find a special young girl called Mary. Gabriel finds Mary and tries to reassure her that she has 'found favour with God' and tells her that she is to be the mother of the Saviour of the World. Mary is understandably still sceptical as she is not yet married to Joseph, her betrothed. She is assured that, in a miraculous way through the Holy Spirit, she will give birth to a son and should call his name Jesus. Gabriel finally convinces Mary by telling her that one of her elderly relatives, Elizabeth, is also to have a child. Mary then leaves Nazareth 'with haste' to visit Elizabeth.

We move back to the Hill Country, to Elizabeth's home. Mary arrives and greets Elizabeth. Through the Holy Spirit, Elizabeth and her unborn child recognise the significance of Mary's condition. Elizabeth exclaims '*Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the child you will bear!*' Mary responds with what we now know as the Magnificat

My soul doth magnify the Lord...

This is featured in Evening Prayer in both Common Worship and the Book of Common Prayer and has been the inspiration for several well known hymns including 'Tell out my Soul'.

Elizabeth's son was John the Baptist who preached repentance and baptism in preparation for the coming Messiah. In the first act of His early Ministry, Jesus was baptised by John [Matt 3: 13-17]

Resources and Contacts

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Wednesday 5 p.m.

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