

Weekly notice sheet for the week beginning 13th December 2015

The Third Sunday of Advent

A very warm welcome to our worship today.

If you are a visitor to the church please introduce yourself to the Vicar, to the Churchwarden or to one of the Welcomers after the service. Crèche facilities are available in the tower room at the back of the church. An induction loop is fitted for people with hearing aids – please turn to the T-position. All are welcome to come forward to receive communion or a blessing. Communion can be administered to someone in their seat – please ask. May God bless us as we gather together as his people.

TODAY'S SERVICES

8.15am	Holy Communion (Order 1)	Readings Zephaniah 3.14-end Philippians 4.4-7 Luke 3.7-18
10.00am	Parish Communion	
4.00pm	CDFC Christmas in the Park (Sutton village & park)	

The Collect: God for whom we watch and wait, you sent John the Baptist to prepare the way of your Son: give us courage to speak the truth, to hunger for justice, and to suffer for the cause of right, with Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.

Post Communion: We give you thanks, O Lord, for these heavenly gifts; kindle in us the fire of your Spirit that when your Christ comes again we may shine as lights before his face; who is alive and reigns now and for ever. AMEN.

WE PRAY THIS WEEK FOR...

the Anglican Communion: for the Diocese of the Windward Islands (West Indies), for Calvert Friday, Bishop;

our Diocese: for Nick, Diocesan Bishop, for Toby, Bishop of Bradford, for all the people of the diocese during this season of Advent;

the Cross Hills and District Fellowship of Churches: for South Craven Evangelical Church, for Christians of other denominations who live in the area but whose church is outside the area;

our parish: for our pastoral care group, for our home communicant members, for the church cleaning teams, flower arrangers and gardeners;

the world Church & mission agencies: for the Mothers' Union;

our community: for South Craven Community Action;

those in need: Tyler Manley, David Evans, Geoffrey Myers, Rosie Hargreaves, Simon Tillotson, Theo Jowett, Michael Baxter, David Harrison;

the departed: William Lynn.

**Please take this leaflet away with you so you can refer to the notices contained in it.
Please also use it to prompt prayers for this parish and all we seek to do in God's service.**

Please pass any items for inclusion to Robin Figg by 10am Friday

Diary

Morning Prayer will be said in church at 8.30am Monday to Wednesday & Friday

This week...

Mon 14 th	2.00pm	Pilgrim group 'The Lord's Prayer' (5 Beanlands Drive, Glusburn)
Tue 15 th	10.00am	Chuffs toddler group (Parish Rooms)
	1.30pm	Glusburn School KS1 Christingle service
	7.30pm	Choir practice (Parish Rooms)
Wed 16 th	9.30am	Holy Communion (Parish Rooms)
	10.15am	Not the Knot group (Parish Rooms)
	7.30pm	Bell ringing practice

... and beyond

Sun 20 th Dec	4.00pm	Christmas Carol Service by candlelight
Wed 23 rd Dec	10.15am	Decorating the church for Christmas
Thu 24 th Dec	4.00pm	Crib Service
Thu 24 th Dec	11.30pm	Midnight Communion
Fri 25 th Dec		CHRISTMAS DAY
	8.15am	Holy Communion
	10.00am	Family Communion
Sat 26 th Dec		STEPHEN, DEACON, FIRST MARTYR
	9.30am	Holy Communion (Parish Rooms)
Sun 27 th Dec		JOHN, APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST
	10.00am	Parish Communion
Mon 28 th Dec		THE HOLY INNOCENTS
	9.30am	Holy Communion (Parish Rooms)
Sun 3 rd Jan		THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD
	10.00am	Family Communion
Sun 10 th Jan		THE BAPTISM OF CHRIST
	10.00am	Parish Communion
Mon 25 th Jan	7.00pm	Prayers for the Parish & World Church (Parish Rooms)
Tue 26 th Jan	6.30pm	PCC meeting (Parish Rooms)
Fri 29 th Jan	2.45pm	Kildwick School collective worship in church
Sun 31 st Jan		THE PRESENTATION OF CHRIST IN THE TEMPLE
	10.00am	Family Communion with Christingles

Next Sunday 20th December 2015

The Fourth Sunday of Advent

8.15am	Holy Communion (Order 2)	Readings Micah 5.2-5a Hebrews 10.5-10 Luke 1.39-55
10.00am	Parish Communion with prayer for healing	
4.00pm	Christmas Carol Service	

Vicar: The Revd Robin Figg, The Vicarage, Kildwick, Keighley BD20 9BB
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WHAT'S ON IN THIS PARISH...

Preparing for worship during Advent. On Sundays during Advent the choir will move to their seats just after 9.55am and we will all keep a time of quiet prayer in preparation for our worship beginning at 10.00am.

'Before the service speak to God, during the service let God speak to you, after the service speak to each other.'

Travelling Crib – during Advent. The two travelling cribs are now on their journey round the parish. They will return to church at the Crib Service at 4pm on Christmas Eve. There is still a gap on one of the rota; all are welcome to host Mary & Joseph for a night.

Carol singing at Morrisons in Keighley, 1.00-2.00pm NEXT Saturday 19th December. Michael Cowgill, on behalf of the Diocesan Sudan Link Group is arranging a day of singing by choirs and church groups to raise money for the work of the Episcopal Church of Sudan. Our choir has agreed to sing from 1-2pm. If you can join the group please let Glyn Evans, 630735, know beforehand if possible. The more singers, the better the singing! If you are a non-singer, but would be happy to hold the bucket for donations please let Glyn know. See poster for more information.

Christmas Carol Service by Candlelight, 4.00pm NEXT Sunday 20th December. Please note the time for this service. Book this special service in your diary and bring your friends and family. Children are invited to come dressed as angels, shepherd, wise men or nativity animals. The service will last one hour and will take place in the church.

Decorating the church for Christmas. If you can help from 10.15am on Wednesday 23rd December please speak with June Whitaker, 655320.

Church Christmas Cards & Notelets now on sale. Various prices. Sold in aid of church funds.

Christmas Cards for church friends. As we did last year, those who wish to do so are invited to write just one card with Christmas wishes to all the friends we see in person in church instead of giving Christmas cards to everyone. The savings on the cost of the cards could perhaps be donated to charity. A notice board to display the cards is available in Church should you wish to use it.

Pilgrim course, 'The Commandments', w/c 4th January. The third module of the *Pilgrim* course will explore the Commandments and will take place over 6 weeks. Each module stands alone so there is no requirement to have attended previous modules to attend this one. Pick up a flyer or invitation cards.

Editor of *The Bridge* parish magazine. Lesley Hudson is looking to step down as the editor of our monthly magazine. If you are interested in becoming the new editor please speak with Lesley, 523291 or churchwarden@kildwick.org.uk

Receiving Communion during the winter. If you are suffering from a cough or a cold please consider intincting (dipping) your wafer in the wine, instead of receiving the wine directly from the chalice. This will minimise the risk of sharing any bugs. **To intinct, simply dip the edge of the wafer briefly into the wine taking care not to put your fingertips into the wine.**

Jigsaw Kids Ministries Calendar 2016. As part of their fundraising Jigsaw has produced a calendar. There is display copy in church for you to look at. Calendars are priced at £7.50 with £4 profit for Jigsaw. Sign the list in church if you would like one or contact Christine Anderton, 633596.

New nave altar platform. We are hoping to replace the existing platform with a new solid hardwood platform. Exact details (shape, size, etc) need to be carefully considered; if you would like to be part of a small working group to do this please speak with Robin or Lesley Hudson.

WHAT'S ON ELSEWHERE...

CDFC Christmas in the Park, 4.00pm TODAY Sunday 13th December.

Starting at the Bay Horse car park in Ellers Road, Sutton-in-Craven and processing to Sutton Park via the Kings Arms and the Black Bull Inns. All are welcome to join the procession. If possible, come in simply biblical costume. Mince pies and mulled wine will be served afterwards in South Craven Baptist Church. For more information contact Sandie Walton, 636501 or Robin, 633307.

Passing Strange and Wonderful: An introduction to the Church of England.

Monday evenings 7.30-9.00pm, from 8th February to 14th March inclusive, at Kadugli House, Elmsley Street, Steeton. This 6 session course will be of interest to any who wish to better understand the Church of England. Topics include: *The Anglican Communion; Liturgy; Priesthood; the Sacraments; the Word; what vicars do.* No cost, but booking essential with Nicholas Turner on canonnicholasturner@gmail.com.

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### Sayings from the week and wisdom from the tradition

The Christmas Star in the night sky, the shining of the Christmas light in the night - all this is the sign that light breaks into the darkness.

Though we see about us the darkness of unrest, of family discord, of class struggle, of competitive jealousy and of national hatred, the light shall shine and drive it out...

Wherever the Christmas Child is born in a heart, wherever Jesus begins his earthly life anew -

that is where the life of God's love and of God's peace dawns again.

- Emmy Arnold: *Watch for the Light*

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