



Weekly notice sheet for the week beginning 11th December 2016

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)
10.00am Parish Communion.
4.00pm CDFC Christmas in the Park

Readings

Isaiah 35.1-10
James 5.7-19
Matthew 11.2-11

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 Kericho (Kenya), for those responsible for appointing a new bishop;

our Diocese: for Nick, Diocesan Bishop, for Toby, Bishop of Bradford, for Readers with Permission to Officiate and Readers Emeritus;

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 Tim & Kate Lee in the UK and Jigsaw Kids Ministry in Manila, Philippines, for the Church Mission Society (CMS), for the Mothers' Union;

our community: for South Craven Community Action;

those in need: Ruth Ward, Glyn Evans, baby Callum, Peter McNeill, William Brown, Tyler Manley, Deborah Tones, Christine Bloxham, Joyce Bonham, David Harrison;

the departed:

**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

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.'

Visit by Tim & Kate Lee, TODAY Sunday 11th December. We welcome Tim & Kate, Rebekah, James and Grace back to Kildwick again. Tim will speak during the 10am service, following his recent visit to Manila. We will then enjoy and bring & share lunch in the Parish Rooms; please join us.

Traidcraft Stall, TODAY Sunday 11th December. This will be available in church after the 10am service. Do please continue to support us! Jill Wright (634526 or jill@woodchipcomputers.co.uk)



Rigging the Christmas tree. If you can help from 9.30am NEXT Saturday 17th December please sign the list or speak with Robin (633307 or vicar@kildwick.org.uk).

Welcomers for Christmas services. If you can help welcome at the Carol Service and/or other special Christmas services please sign the list.

Christmas Carol Service by Candlelight, 4.00pm NEXT Sunday 18th 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, shepherds, kings or nativity animals. The service will last one hour and will take place in the church.

Christmas Services Collections. The collections at the Carol Service, Midnight Eucharist and Christmas Day services will be shared between St George's Crypt, Leeds, and the Diocese's Kadugli Appeal in support of the Church of Sudan. The collection at the Crib Service will be for The Children's Society.

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.

Support for Iranian Christians. Sue Hargreaves has had contact with a group of four Iranian Christians who have started to attend All Saints Church, Keighley. They receive an allowance of only £5 per day to cover all expenses for food, clothing and heating. It would be good to show our support by giving each of the group a Christmas gift token for Morrisons Supermarket. If you would like to contribute please leave your donation in the basket at the back of church. Thank you.

Pilgrim course, 'Church & Kingdom', w/c 9th January. The eighth module of the *Pilgrim* course will explore Church & Kingdom 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.

Licensing service to launch the new deaneries, 4.00pm Sunday 15th January at Bradford Cathedral. This service will be led by Bishop Nick. All are invited.

Bradford Episcopal Area Deanery Reorganisation. With effect from 1st January there will be a change in the organisation of the deaneries in our Episcopal Area. There will be 4 deaneries, namely: South Craven & Wharfedale, Aire & Worth, Outer Bradford, Inner Bradford. **We will be in the Deanery of South Craven & Wharfedale.**

Recycling for Good Causes. We have recently received a payment of £35.50 for the items collected in the red sack; well done and thank you. Why not have a pre-Christmas clear out and recycle your stamps, postcards, foreign currency, jewellery, watches, cameras, laptops, games consoles, sat navs, mobile phones and the like. Every little helps!



WHAT'S ON ELSEWHERE...

CDFC Christmas in the Park, 4.00pm TODAY Sunday 11th December in Sutton Village & Park. 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.

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### **Lighting the candle on the Advent Ring**

*After the candle is lit the reader invites us to say together*

**Lord Jesus, Light of the world,  
John told the people to prepare  
for you were very near.  
As Christmas grows closer day by day,  
help us be ready to welcome you now.  
Amen.**

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Sayings from the week and wisdom from the tradition

The birth of Christ in our souls is for a purpose beyond ourselves: it is because his manifestation in the world must be through us. Every Christian is, as it were, part of the dust-laden air which shall radiate the glowing epiphany of God, catch and reflect his golden light. *Ye are the light of the world* - but only because you are enkindled, made radiant by the one light of the world. And being kindled, we have got to get on with it, be useful. As Christ said in one of his ironical flashes,

"Do not light a candle in order to stick it under the bed!"

- Evelyn Underhill: *Watch for the Light*

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### **A prayer for Advent from Taizé**

Christ Jesus, we await consolation for all human beings.  
Today you renew in us the wonder of your coming.  
And we can recognize that in you God gives God's self to us.

## Diary

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

### **This week...**

|                      |         |                                                                    |
|----------------------|---------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Mon 12 <sup>th</sup> | 1.30pm  | Pilgrim course 'The Bible' (Parish Rooms)                          |
| Tue 13 <sup>th</sup> | 10.00am | Chuffs toddler group (Parish Rooms)                                |
|                      | 11.45am | Burial of cremated remains of Enid Naylor                          |
|                      | 1.30pm  | Glusburn School KS1 Christingle service                            |
|                      | 6.30pm  | Kildwick School KS1 Christmas play                                 |
|                      | 7.30pm  | Choir practice                                                     |
| Wed 14 <sup>th</sup> | 9.30am  | Holy Communion (Parish Rooms)                                      |
|                      |         | <i>No Not the Knot group – next meeting 4<sup>th</sup> January</i> |
|                      | 2.00pm  | Kildwick School KS1 Christmas play                                 |
|                      | 7.30pm  | Pilgrim course 'The Bible' (Parish Rooms)                          |
| Fri 16 <sup>th</sup> | 9.30am  | Kildwick School Christingle service                                |
| Sat 17 <sup>th</sup> | 9.30am  | Rig the Christmas tree                                             |

### **... and beyond**

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|--------------------------|---------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| Sun 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec | 4.00pm  | Christmas Carol Service by candlelight                   |
| Mon 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec | 9.30am  | PCC Standing Committee meeting (Parish Rooms)            |
| Mon 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec | 7.00pm  | Prayers for the Parish & World Church (Parish Rooms)     |
| Sat 24 <sup>th</sup> Dec | 4.00pm  | Crib Service                                             |
| Sat 24 <sup>th</sup> Dec | 11.30pm | Midnight Communion                                       |
| Sun 25 <sup>th</sup> Dec |         | CHRISTMAS DAY                                            |
|                          | 8.15am  | Holy Communion                                           |
|                          | 10.00am | Family Communion                                         |
| Mon 26 <sup>th</sup> Dec |         | STEPHEN, DEACON, FIRST MARTYR                            |
|                          | 9.30am  | Holy Communion (Parish Rooms)                            |
| Tue 27 <sup>th</sup> Dec |         | JOHN, APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST                             |
|                          | 9.30am  | Holy Communion (Parish Rooms)                            |
| Wed 28 <sup>th</sup> Dec |         | THE HOLY INNOCENTS                                       |
|                          | 9.30am  | Holy Communion (Parish Rooms)                            |
| Sun 8 <sup>th</sup> Jan  |         | THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD                                 |
|                          | 10.00am | Family Communion                                         |
| Fri 13 <sup>th</sup> Jan | 2.45pm  | Kildwick School collective worship in church             |
| Sun 15 <sup>th</sup> Jan |         | THE BAPTISM OF CHRIST                                    |
|                          | 10.00am | Parish Communion with Baptism                            |
|                          | 4.00pm  | Service to launch the new deaneries (Bradford Cathedral) |
| Sun 29 <sup>th</sup> Jan |         | THE PRESENTATION OF CHRIST IN THE TEMPLE                 |

*Next Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2016*

### **The Fourth Sunday of Advent**

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| 8.15am  | Holy Communion (Order 2)                 | <b>Readings</b> |
| 10.00am | Parish Communion with prayer for healing | Isaiah 7.10-16  |
|         |                                          | Romans 1.1-7    |
| 4.00pm  | Christmas Carol Service                  | Matthew 1.18-25 |

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