



Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2018

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**Morning and Evening Prayers on Mondays.** There will be no morning or evening prayers at the Parish Church on a Monday during the month of January.

**Message from Peter:** The party and presentations to mark my retirement as a vergger was unexpected and I will remember both always. A massive thankyou to all who contributed with gifts, cards, flowers and collection. You all made my time working in the church, very special. Thanks Everyone. *Peter Flaherty*

**The Late Mr. Christopher Willis.** The Funeral service will take place on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> January at 2.00pm at the Parish Church. All are welcome to attend and stay for tea and coffee afterwards.

**The Reverend Francis Bruce:** The family of Fr Francis would like to invite all to attend the Thanksgiving Service to celebrate his life and ministry to be held on Friday January 19<sup>th</sup> at noon in the Parish Church, and followed by a Reception. We do hope you will come along to support the family at this time, and to reassure them of the regard in which Fr Francis was held. *Rev Katie*

**The Serving Team.** Interested in joining a friendly and encouraging Team within our Church Community? – The Serving Team welcomes people of all ages who, as a part of our Serving Team, help support the clergy and congregation with the smooth running of services.

Some points to mention if you are interested in joining the Serving Team:

1. All new Servers will receive full training for what they will do before, during and after the services.
2. We operate a rota system so that everyone has the opportunity to serve with a refreshing variety of activities for all, developing personal skills which can be applied in everyday life.
3. The Serving Team includes male and female servers of all age ranges and traditions, this helps with continuing the vibrant and developing nature of Serving at the Parish Church.

So, if you are interested in finding out more, perhaps trying it out or observing nearer at hand with no further obligation, or wish to join as a regular server, please contact Head Server and Sacristan Daniel Bristow (01452 534829) to arrange a convenient time for you to come along and see how we do things or have a chat and explore how you might wish to contribute - you will be warmly welcomed.

*Daniel Bristow*

**Parish Church Guides Course.** I am intending to run a guides course early 2018. If you might be interested in interpreting the history of the Parish Church to our many visitors please contact me or phone me on 01285 657938. *John Lawrence*

**Holy Trinity Watermoor Welcome Lunch:** following the success of our welcome lunch in November, we're really happy to be holding another one on **Sunday 21 January.** If you have been coming to Holy Trinity Watermoor for roughly less than a year or so, we'd love to invite you along to the Parsonage for a simple meal, hosted by Fr Howard and Susie. This is a way for people to get to know each other better, make connections and find out ways get more involved in the life of our church family. Please contact Ally Castle, a member of our congregation, for more details: 07779301621 or allycastle@hotmail.com. Everyone welcome, including children of course!

### **Sale of Christmas Decorations**

Many thanks to everyone who bought decorations from the Church Flower Guild's stall at the Mac Millan Christmas Bazaar. We raised £390.60 which will go towards the cost of arrangements in the church throughout the year. Each weekly arrangement costs about £25. If you would perhaps like to sponsor an arrangement to celebrate a birthday or an anniversary please put a donation (in an envelope marked "Flower Guild") into the collection chest in church. *Pam Barnes*

**Holy Trinity Congregational Committee:** The next meeting of the Committee will be on Wednesday 17th January. If anyone has any suggestions or matters they wish to raise please contact Bryony Springate (659024) or myself (652809).

*Brenda Lissimore (Secretary)*

**This Sunday's Services (January 7th)**

**Parish Church**

8:00am	Holy Communion	Revd Colin Mattock
10:00am	Eucharist	Revd Katie Richardson with Revd Julian Wilson
6:00pm	Evening Prayer	Revd Penny Light

**Holy Trinity**

8:00am	Holy Communion	Revd Howard Gilbert
10:00am	All Age Eucharist	Revd Howard Gilbert

**St Lawrence**

10.30am	Eucharist	Revd Paul Springate
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**Next Sunday's Services (January 14<sup>th</sup>)**

**Parish Church**

8.00am	Holy Communion	Revd Canon Dr. Philip Thomas
10.00am	Eucharist	Revd Canon Karen Schmidt
6.00pm	Evening Prayer	Mr. Martin Green

**Holy Trinity**

8.00am	Holy Communion	Revd Penny Light
10.00am	Eucharist	Revd Howard Gilbert

**St Lawrence**

10.30am	Eucharist	Revd Katie Richardson
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**Readings for next Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2018**

**The Second Sunday of Epiphany**

**I Samuel 3. 1 -10 (11 – 20)**

**Revelation 5. 1 -10**

**John 1. 43 - end**

## Dates for the next week

### **Monday 8th January. The baptism of Christ.**

- 10:30am Prayers for the Persecuted Church (Holy Trinity)
- 12:00pm Midday Eucharist (Parish Church)
- 12:30pm Deer Park School Visit (Parish Church)

### **Tuesday 9th January.**

- 09:00am Morning Prayer (Parish Church)
- 12:00pm Midday Eucharist (Parish Church)
- 12:30pm Deer Park School Visit (Parish Church)
- 3:00pm Pastoral Visitors meeting (Parish Centre)
- 4:00pm Evening Prayer (Parish Church)
- 6:30pm Bell Ringing practice (Holy Trinity)
- 7:30pm House Group (5 Victoria Road)

### **Wednesday 10th January. William Laud, Archbishop of Canterbury, 1645**

- 09:00am Morning Prayer (Parish Church)
- 09:00am Drop In (St. Lawrence)
- 12:00pm Midday Eucharist (Parish Church)
- 4:00pm Evening Prayer (Parish Church)

### **Thursday 11th January. Mary Slessor, Missionary in West Africa 1915**

- 09:00am Morning Prayer (Parish Church)
- 10:00am Midday Prayers Social (Parish Centre)
- 12:00pm Midday Eucharist (Parish Church)
- 1:30pm Funeral of the late William Howse (Holy Trinity)
- 2:00pm Little Angels (Parish Church)
- 4:00pm Evening Prayer (Parish Church)
- 6:00pm Sing it (Town Hall)

### **Friday 12th January. Aelred of Hexham, Abbot of Rievaulx, 1167.**

#### **Benedict Biscop, Abbot of Wearmouth, Scholar, 689**

- 09:00am Morning Prayer (Parish Church)
- 12:00pm Midday Eucharist (Parish Church)
- 4:00pm Evening Prayer (Parish Church)

### **Saturday 13th January. Hilary, Bishop of Poitiers, Teacher of the Faith, 367**

#### **Kentigern (Mungo) Missionary Bishop of Strathclyde and Cumbria, 603**

#### **George Fox, Founder of the Society of Friends (the Quakers) 1691**

- 09:00am Morning Prayer (Parish Church)
- 12:00pm Midday Eucharist (Parish Church)
- 4:00pm Evening Prayer (Parish Church)