

The Parish of Darfield

All Saints Darfield and St Michael Great Houghton

Sunday 17th August 2025 *Ninth Sunday after Trinity*

9:00 a.m. Holy Communion Great Houghton

10:45 a.m. Morning Worship Darfield

Sunday 24th August 2025

Tenth Sunday after Trinity

10:45 a.m. Holy Communion Darfield

People of Faith Moses – Part 2 Let my People Go!

After his encounter with the Lord on Mount Horeb, Moses returned to Egypt where he met his brother Aaron. Together they approached the elders of the people and showed them the signs that the Lord had given to Moses: a staff that turned into a snake, a hand that turned leprous and water from the Nile that turned to blood [Exodus 4: 1-9] The Elders were convinced and bowed down and worshipped. [Exodus 4: 31]

By this time the Israelites were under pressure from the overseers to keep up their quota of bricks. Aaron and Moses went to Pharoah with a request to allow the Israelites to make a three-day journey into the wilderness to offer sacrifices to the Lord. Pharoah refused and increased pressure on the Israelites who then had to find their own straw to make their bricks but without any reduction in the quantities expected. The Lord saw their plight and remembered His Covenant established with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob Moses and Aaron went back to Pharoah with the simple message to let the Israelites go out of Egypt. Pharoah refused and a series of ten plagues was inflicted on the Egyptians. The river Nile was turned to blood; the area was infested with frogs, gnats and flies. A plague was brought on the Egyptians' livestock which killed them all, but the Israelites' livestock was spared. They were infested with boils, had to contend with hailstones, locusts and a darkness over the land which lasted for three days. After each plague, Pharoah consistently refused to allow the Israelites to leave.

The final plague was inflicted on the firstborn of all in Egypt from Pharaoh's first born to the first born of the slaves. The Israelites were told to prepare themselves to move and to provide a young lamb to be sacrificed. They were to bake bread without yeast and roast the lamb over their fires. They were to eat their meal as they were standing, prepared to move. The blood from the lamb was to be taken and painted on the doorposts of their houses so that the Lord would pass over their houses. At midnight the Lord passed over the land and all the first born Egyptians and the livestock were killed. This event was to be celebrated each year as the Feast of the Passover.

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Gracious Father, revive your Church in our day, and make her holy, strong and faithful, for your glory's sake in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Readings

Jeremiah 23: 23-29 Psalm 82

Hebrews 11: 29 – 12: 2 Luke 12: 49-56

Readings for this week

August

17th 1 Corinthians 12: 12-31

18th 1 Corinthians 13: 1-13

19th 1 Corinthians 14: 1-12 20th Proverbs 3: 11-20

21st Proverbs 3: 21-35

22nd Proverbs 4: 1-9

23rd Proverbs 4: 10-27

24th Proverbs 5: 1-14

Prayer:

Forward any prayer requests to our Prayer Ministry team through

Carol Hunter: 07542 527 331

Prayer Square This week we are praying for the residents of Darfield

Fensome Way Bly Road Quern Way Ridgway Avenue Schofield Place Schofield Road

Community Shop on the Go Warm Welcome Space

Darfield Church Hall

Community shop

Thursday 22nd August

Next Date: 18th September Warm space - every week 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

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

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