

# Notices for week commencing 09 November 2025

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## This week at St James':

### Sunday 9 November

09.00 – Morning Prayer\*

10.30 – Holy Communion\*, with Kid's Church

### Monday 10 November

08.45 – Morning Prayer, in church

### Tuesday 11 November

08.45 – Morning Prayer, in church

19.30 – PCC meeting, in the Parish Centre

### Wednesday 12 November

19.30 – Horsforth Churches Together meeting

### Friday 14 November

10.00 – Pop-up Café, in the Parish Centre

\* Remember you can get the text of the reflection each week on our website [here](#).

## Remembrance

Our service of Holy Communion this week will include an Act of Remembrance and Commitment. We will be setting out the Churchyard Walk as usual, which commemorates those who fought and died in the World Wars. Please feel free to pick up a sheet and use it to connect, via the QR code, to the walk route.

## Advent course: Who am I?

During Advent this year Jonathan will be leading a four-week course written by the Bishop of Leeds, Nick Baines. There are plans for two groups meeting in the Parish Centre to explore this fundamental question alongside four themes: Climate, Migration, Conflict and Technology.

Thursday afternoons @ 14.00. 27/11, 04/12, 11/12, 18/12.

Monday evenings @ 19.30. 01/12, 08/12, 15/12, 22/12.

**Please sign up by 16 November so that we can order resources**

**(participant guide is £5).** You can sign up on the sheet at the back of church or by emailing Jonathan.

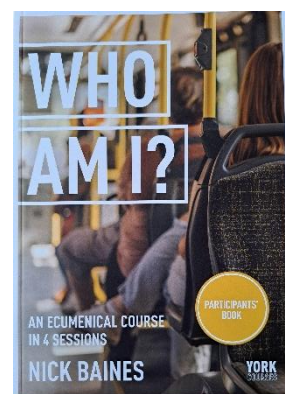
**09 November 2025,**

**Remembrance Sunday**

**Readings: 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17; Luke 20:27-38**

**Collect:**

God, our refuge and strength,  
bring near the day when wars  
shall cease  
and poverty and pain shall end,  
that earth may know the peace of  
heaven  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**



## **Safeguarding Sunday, 16 November**

The 10.30 am service next week will be focusing on the importance of safeguarding, looking at the theme of action speaks louder. We will be exploring the invitation from Jesus to protect others and seek justice for those who've been harmed.

<https://safeguardingsunday.org/>

## **Tearfund Quiz Night**

A big thank you to our events team, especially Ruth and Mike for the Quiz and the caterers for an evening of good food, fun and competition! We have raised £390 for Tearfund.

## **All Souls' Service last week**

Thanks to our lovely bakers for their contributions to the refreshments after this service – it was a lovely time to remember those we have loved and lost both in the last year and before.

## **Horsforth Community Pantry**

Contributions currently needed are as follows.

- Pasta (shapes not spaghetti)
- Rice/Noodles
- Tinned fruit (cocktail, pineapple, peaches)
- UHT milk
- UHT fruit juice
- Tinned meat/fish products (Fray BENTOS pies are very popular)
- Tinned sweetcorn, carrots, peas
- Pasta/Curry sauces
- Tinned tomatoes/pulses
- Tinned soup
- Baked beans
- Tinned pasta
- Cooking oil
- Coffee/tea/hot chocolate/cordial
- Custard/rice pudding
- Crisps/ Biscuits
- Jam
- Toiletries
- Cleaning Products

## **Volunteering at Horsforth Community Pantry**

The pantry currently opens on a Tuesday morning with the pantry shop open 9.30-11.30am and a cafe for customers 9-11.30am in the Parish Centre. The shop is well staffed, but we would be glad of a couple more volunteers to help set up tables, serve teas and coffees and chat to the customers whilst they await their turn to shop.

The food for the pantry comes from Fareshare who deliver to us on a Monday morning sometime between 9-12. If anyone can help with this, we would be very grateful. It involves being on site to accept the delivery and putting food away in the fridge/freezer or shelves ready for the next morning's customers.

Please chat to me about any of these roles if you would like to know more.

Ruth Dent [ruthddent@gmail.com](mailto:ruthddent@gmail.com)

## First Aid Course

A one-day course has now been booked for **30 January** to support the PCC's aim to have first-aiders available to support events at St James'. If you are interested in being a first-aider and attending the course, please speak to Tracey Greig. Thanks to Tracey for organising this.

## Choir for Christmas Carol Service

This year's Candlelit Carol Service will be held on 21 December at 18.30. If you would like to join in the choir for the service, please let me know. Three rehearsals have been planned:

Sunday 07 December, after the 10.30 service

Saturday 13 December @ 10.00 and Saturday 20 December @ 10.00

Thanks

Alison

## Upcoming Events

### Concert on Saturday 08 November

David Eaves' choir (Leeds Guild of Singers) have a performance on Sat 8th Nov, 3pm at Holy Trinity Church in Leeds. It will include a premiere of a new piece of work commissioned by the choir in memory of David. Further details are on the website link below.

<https://www.leedsguildofsingers.org.uk/>

### Creation Groans, Christ Calls, Tuesday 18 November, 19.00 to 21.00, Leeds Trinity University Chapel, Horsforth (LS18 5HD)

This event invites Christians from across traditions to grieve with creation, listen for the Spirit, and commit to walking in Christlike ways in the face of climate breakdown. The evening will include a talk from Jon Swales, alongside creative prayer stations offering space for lament, intercession, and hope.

You can find full details and book your free place here:

👉 [eventbrite.co.uk/e/creation-groans-christ-calls-tickets-1691754767049?aff=oddtcreator](https://eventbrite.co.uk/e/creation-groans-christ-calls-tickets-1691754767049?aff=oddtcreator)



**Leeds Festival Chorus concert: Sat 22 November, 19.30 at St Edmund's Roundhay**  
LFC are singing Bernstein's *Chichester Psalms* along with Bach's *Lobet den Herrn* and Kodaly's *Missa Brevis*. The organist will also be playing Bach's spectacular *Toccata and Fugue in D minor*. Tickets are available [here](#).

**Bishop Nick's Farewell Service** is being held at Ripon Cathedral on **Sunday 23 November at 15.30**. Please note that seating is limited and seats will be unreserved. To book a seat, please click on the link below.

[A Diocesan Farewell to Bishop Nick - Ripon Cathedral.](#)

## Church Fundraiser:

### **Friday 16 January 2026 @ 19.00. Beetle Drive and other traditional family party games**

A fun social evening in the Parish Room for all the family. Foodwise we are going back to the 70s buffet- think cheese on sticks, vol au vents and a bit of quiche - use your imaginations - as let's be honest - it's a church do - so you will be bringing something! There will be a fundraising collection for St James' and lots of party games.

*Please put it in your diary and let Rebecca Cain know you're coming - clipboard will be out after Christmas.*

## Sharing God's Blessing

### **Goal 5: Growing young people as Christians**

*Children and young people are part of the welcoming, enriching and safe worshipping community at St James'. They are provided with a supportive context for maturing in their faith and living out that faith in practice. We regularly review the needs of children and young people in our community and adapt provision for them as they grow.*

*Through Horsforth Churches Together, St James' continues active participation in taking Christian faith into primary schools in the town. St James' has strong links with Broadgate Primary School and the Horsforth Children's Centre.*

### **Fellowship Prayer Focus**

Please pray for those people in our fellowship who are ill or struggling: Pamela Adams, Jose Ashbee, Chris Cox (Annella's son), Sue Firth (friend of John Evans), Tracey and Daniel Greig, Adrienne Hoggard, Elaine Savage, Robert Savage (Elaine's son), Carol Shaw and Catriona Sreenan.

Please pray for those who are housebound and those mourning the loss of loved ones. Pray for Jo Glenwright at Menston, and Jon Swales in his work at Lighthouse. Pray also for George Otieno and family and our other sisters and brothers in Tanzania dealing with the impact of climate change with few resources.

*If you would like the church as a whole to pray for you, please email Alison at the church office and the request will be forwarded on as soon as possible. For confidential prayer matters please continue to contact John Pickford to be put on the Prayer Chain.*

