Daily Reading Notes for 2026 are available to order from Lynne in the Team office **Tel: 01539 720018** admin@beaconteam.org.uk

#### In our prayers we remember .......

Ruth Radley, in her job as Spiritual Care Lead at Mary Stevens Hospice. The peace process in Israel & Gaza. The ongoing conflict in the Ukraine.



The sick: Revd. Jean Radley

**St. George's:** Geoffrey Vines, Ken Tulley, Esther Dudek, Peter Dudek, Gaynor Gledhill, Roha Samuel, Maureen Stevens, David Green, Ian Wilson, Jo Smith.

**St. Oswald's:** Georgina Walker, Haris Jama, Jean Reddrop, Cathy Wood, Iris Diggle, John O'Brien.

## From Books of Remembrance giving thanks for the lives of :

St George's: William Little, James Saul

**St Oswald's:** Alfred Turner, John Walker, Jane Woodburn, Sidney Clark, Taggy Mitchell, Jack Swanton, Billy Garnett, Susan Dickson, Judy Renwick, Dora Pearson, Jonathan Gibson, James Sorrenson, Elizabeth Shepherd, Sheila Abbott.

. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

## Morning Prayer at St John the Baptist Church, Skelsmergh 9am every Tuesday & Thursday.

will not be held over Christmas but will resume at 9am on **Tuesday 6th January** 2025.

## WEEKDAY WORSHIP at St Oswald's Church, Burneside

BCP Holy Communion - will resume Wednesday 7th January 9.30am Evening Prayers - These will resume Tuesday 6th January 5.30pm-6pm

#### ONLINE WORSHIP TOGETHER

Do join us on Monday for Compline at 8.30pm and Friday at 8.30pm for a short service of Celtic Evening Worship.

Please email me on jean.radley@outlook.com for access details.











Mission Community
'Together with God – Together for God'

St. Oswald Burneside with St. Mary, Longsleddale, St. George, Kendal, St. John the Evangelist, Grayrigg, St. Thomas, Selside, St. John the Baptist, Skelsmergh



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#### **Team Notice Sheet**

28th December 2025

### Holy Innocents or 1st Sunday of Christmas

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts; let the word of Christ dwell in you richly.

Colossians 3:15-16

## This Week's Readings

Jeremiah 31:15-17 Psalm 124 1 Corinthians 1:26-29 Matthew 2:13-18

#### Psalm 124

R Our help is in the name of the Lord, [the maker of heaven and earth].

If the Lord had not been on our side, let Israel now say;
If the Lord had not been on our side, when enemies rose up against us; **R**Then would they have swallowed us up alive in their fierce anger towards us;
Then would the waters have overwhelmed us and the torrent gone over us. **R**Then would the raging waters have gone right over us.
Blessèd be the Lord!
he has not given us over to be a prey for their teeth.

We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowler;

the snare is broken and we have escaped. **R** [ Our help is in the name of the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth. ]

#### Collect

Heavenly Father, whose children suffered at the hands of Herod, though they had done no wrong: by the suffering of your Son and by the innocence of our lives frustrate all evil designs and establish your reign of justice and peace; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Common Worship: Services and Prayers for the Church of England, © The Archbishops' Council 2002 published by Church House Publishing.

Manna House will be closed from Friday 26<sup>th</sup> December, reopening Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January. Please note that if you are concerned about anyone sleeping rough during this time, contact the Council Out of Hours Rough sleeping contact

on 01229 833311

MANNA HOUSE sing Advice Advocacy and Suppor

### **Deanery Prayer:**

Look graciously we pray thee O Lord upon this deanery of Kendal, the old grey town and the little villages, the ancient churches and the sacred places.

Bless all who share with us these rolling acres twixt the Kent and the Lune, those in business and the craftsmen, the farmers of the fells and the teachers of our children, the hospitaller and councillor, the tourist and the traveller; that all may feel the presence of your peace and the enjoyment of your creation; now and forever.

Amen.

Listen to the story of The Grumpy Owl on YouTube

The Grumpy Owl and the Joy of Christmas | The Christmas nativity story from the Church of England

Interfaith Silent Climate Vigils - the next one is on Monday 6th Jan at 10.30am at the Birdcage, Finkle Street, Kendal. The vigil will last 45 minutes, and it is important to wear thermal clothing to keep warm. Some people bring fold up chairs, a blanket and a flask containing a hot drink. Vigils are held on the first Monday of each month and are organised by Kendal and Sedbergh Friends Sustainability Group.

#### **SERVICES IN OUR CHURCHES**

#### For Sunday January 4th

St. Oswald's, Burneside:

Evening Worship 4pm

STJE, Grayrigg:

Holy Communion 9.30am

St George's, Kendal:

Holy Communion 11am

St Thomas, Selside

Morning Worship 9.30am

STJB Skelsmergh:

Morning Worship 11am

St Mary Longsleddale:

Abbey Service 10.30am

# Have listened to Bishop Rob's Christmas message?

In his message, Bishop Rob reflects on the profound impact of Jesus's birth, describing it as a "world and history changing event". He emphasises that God's love, expressed through Jesus, is vast, generous, and offered to all, regardless of whether they are expecting it or feel they deserve it. The Bishop challenges us to consider if our own love for others reflects the generous and transformative love of Jesus, which "turned the world the right way up. The Bishop of Carlisle's Christmas Message | Christmas 2025

There is no **Chatter and Natter** this month. The next meeting will be at 10am on Friday 30th January 2026.

The office is closed until Monday 5th January 2026.

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#### Beyond the Boundary Film

Discover mountain cathedrals and Sacred Spaces in this new film from John Fleetwood with Beyond the View and Sacred Spaces. John is also involved in the Abbey services at St Mary's Longsleddale.

Beyond The View Pilgrimage and Sacred Encounters - YouTube

Beyond The View is a movement to go deeper in nature through pilgrimage and gatherings that they call 'Sacred Encounters'.