



## Services this week

### Sunday 7th December - Advent 2

- 8.30 Said Communion
- 10.00 Holy Communion
- 4.00 Christingle service

### Thursday 11th December

- 10.00 Holy Communion

### Sunday 14th December - Advent 3

- 8.30 Said Communion
- 10.00 Holy Communion
- 2.00 Forest Church – Rising Sun

## Sunday 7th November 2025

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent

#### Collect

Almighty God, purify our hearts and minds, that when your Son Jesus Christ comes again as judge and saviour we may be ready to receive him, who is our Lord and our God. Amen

#### Prayer after Communion

Father in heaven, who sent your Son to redeem the world and will send him again to be our judge: give us grace so to imitate him in the humility and purity of his first coming that, when he comes again, we may be ready to greet him with joyful love and firm faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

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Hymns: 1201, 987, 694, 600, 393

**Refreshments served in the Hall after 10am service**

## The Way Forward Update

Thanks to everyone who has worked tirelessly to get us ready for Remembrance Sunday. We are back in the building. The organ will return in the coming days and weeks.

Now to get cracking on phase 2. Angela Henderson

### Prayer List

Please pray for: Alison Alderson, Naomi Appleby, Carole Bell, Eddie Bolton, Lesley Bolton, Claire Brooks, Lynne Brown, Kay Dixon, Derek Foggon, Eunice Goff, Stuart Haig, Kath Heppell, Jean Heron, Vera Hindmarsh, Diana Jones, Jenny Kennell, Iris Kitching, Fiona McKie, Pam McKie, Alan Mather, Jess Morton.

Request forms for prayer list/pastoral visits are in the green folder.

### St John's Men's Fellowship

The next meeting is in the Hall on **Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December** at 7pm. Come and try to learn to play the Ukelele (should be a good laugh) All men welcome!

**Christmas Events and Services cards** are now available for collection and distribution.

**Christmas Tree and Card for Charity Donation.** As last year we will have a Christmas Tree with small bags for charity donations and card to sign instead of individual cards. Both in south aisle 30 Nov to 21 Dec. Any individual cards should be delivered rather than left in church for collection. Thank you.

### Christmas Brass

Join us for an evening of festive music from Backworth Colliery Band and their training band. Tickets £7 on the door.

7.30 pm Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December in Church

### Advent Bible Study

9<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> 10am in Church, 10<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> 7.30 at 27 Mount Close  
Join us for a reflective Bible study based on "Donkey Roads and Camel Tracks" the BRF Aventura book. The Wednesday evening session will be a repeat of the Tuesday Session. Sign up sheet in South Aisle

## Upcoming Events and Notices

**Election of new Church Warden** At last week's extra Church Meeting following advice from Archdeacon Rachel, David Gardner was elected as Church Warden and will serve in that role with Angela Henderson.

**Knitted Angels** thanks to knit and natter who have been busy knitting angels these will be reading for distributing around our Neighbourhood from next Sunday (14<sup>th</sup> December)

**Forest Church** monthly from now on, at 2pm at The Rising Sun Country Park, a joint venture with local churches.

**Tues 16<sup>th</sup> December Carols around the tree** 6.30pm Great Lime Rd, West Moor, by the railway bridge. Collection for St Oswald's Hospice. Refreshments afterwards in WM Social Club. All welcome

**Sat 20<sup>th</sup> December Carol Singing** with Community Church in the Killingworth Centre, 11 – 12am. Everyone welcome!

**Schools' Christmas Carol services** We need volunteers again this week to open church for school rehearsals and performances and lock up afterwards. Two people are needed at performances to help with seating etc. Please see the timetable in the south aisle and sign up if you are able to help.

**Website** Items for the website to Rev Sarah by email. Events and articles are always better with pictures!

**The Bay Foodbank** Please bring donations to church or the hall.

**Eco tip:** Check the ingredients! Many products on supermarket shelves contain palm oil, which is grown on land where rainforest has been cut down. Buy palm oil free.

**Easyfundraising** link to St John's:

[https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stjohnskillingworthparishchurch/?utm\\_campaign=raise-more&utm\\_content=en-n1](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stjohnskillingworthparishchurch/?utm_campaign=raise-more&utm_content=en-n1)

Please support this way of raising funds – nearly £1700 raised to date.

**Parish share** Unfortunately we are not currently able to pay our full quota this year. The PCC and Finance sub-group encourage you to review your regular giving. Just like TESCO “every little helps”. Thank you to everyone who has already contributed so generously and to all who supported the very successful Christmas Fair.

## Regular Events and Services

**Baptism Enquiries** Contact Rev Sarah Moon [vicar@killingworthparish.org.uk](mailto:vicar@killingworthparish.org.uk) or 07703268450

**Midweek Communion** Thursdays at 10am in church. All welcome

**Junior Church** Sundays 10am weekly in **term-time** for all children.

**Explore@4** 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday Little Explorers at 4pm in church  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Brick Church at 4pm in the Hall

**Next Family Communion Service** 28<sup>th</sup> December

**Next Forest Church** 14<sup>th</sup> December, 2pm at the Rising Sun Country Park

**Healing Service** 6pm every quarter, next service Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2026

**Monthly Book Club** at Joyce's – 11<sup>th</sup> December, 2-3pm.

**Mondays 10am** Knit & Natter at The King's Arms, except bank holidays

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Notices to Marion Mullen please

Gluten-free wafers are available by request to a sides person before the service. In order to protect anyone who is gluten intolerant we cannot permit intinction (dipping wafers into the wine)