

St Wilfrid's Church Brayton Sunday 7th December 2025 Second Sunday of Advent

Welcome to Morning Prayer at St Wilfrid's

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Before our Service begins you are invited to join in a short time of quietness and reflection in preparation for worship. After the Service please join us for coffee and chat in the Parish Hall.



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Mince Pies & Mulled Wine.

This afternoon, 2-4pm, St Wilfrid's Parish Hall. A change of venue this year! Tickets only £8 Pat

Craft Group Coffee Morning.

Saturday 13th December, 10am-11:30am. St Wilfrid's Parish Hall. Last chance to buy Craft Group gifts before Christmas! June

Tea@Two at Christmas!

Thursday 18th December, 2pm-4pm, St Wilfrid's Parish Hall. Ho. ho. ho! An afternoon of coffee, tea, cake and chat. Tickets only £7 from me. Pat

Beer and Banter. Monday 5th January, from 7:30pm in the Swan Pub. Men, do your duty! Join us for chat over a pint.

Burns Night Supper.

Saturday 24th January 2026, 7pm. St Wilfrid's Parish Hall. We invite you to a Burns Night Supper consisting of three courses. Tickets £15 are very limited. Pat

Coffeemates. Wednesday 28th January, 10am - 12noon, in St. Wilfrid's Parish Hall, No. Coffeemates in December. See you in January. Lynn

Community Lunch.

Wednesday 4th February, 12noon-1:30pm, St Wilfrid's Parish Hall. No Community Lunch in January. Pat

Spirit of Christmas. Take a label from the small Christmas Tree in the Parish Hall if you would like to purchase a gift for a Selby child who would otherwise go without. Jill

Headstart Baby and Toddler Group. Mondays in term time, 9:30am - 11am, St Wilfrid's Parish Hall Join our Headstart parent/carers baby and toddler group! Martin

St Wilfrid's Pastoral Care.

Contact Sue Beevers 01757 229515 (susan.beevers1@ btinternet.com) if you know of anyone who is sick, in hospital, or in other need, or who would benefit from being visited by a member of the clergy or others in the Pastoral Team. Sue

Safeguarding children and adults. We will take seriously any issues that arise, notifying & seeking advice from the Diocesan Safeguarding Advisor where necessary. The Parish Safeguarding Representative is Linda Bunn, telephone 07711 384003, email safeguarding@ stwilfridsparish.com. Linda

Help support St Wilfrid's!

There are many ways to support the work of St Wilfrid's: cash/cheques on the plate, envelopes, card machine in church, regular direct debits via Parish Giving Scheme, online bank donations, and legacies. Use of the Parish Giving Scheme is preferred as this reduces the administration for Welcomers, the banking team, and our gift aid administrator. Speak to treasurer Jill Clarke if you need more information. Revd **Glyn**

Services from 8th December:

Monday 8th December 10:30am Holy Communion at St Wilfrid's Court Wednesday 10th December 9:30am Holy Communion Sunday 14th December Third Sunday of Advent 10:30am Holy Communion 6pm Nine Lessons and Carols

Contributions. to magazine@ stwilfridsparish.com. John C

COLLECT

O Lord, raise up, we pray, your power and come among us, and with great might succour us; that whereas, through our sins and wickedness

we are grievously hindered in running the race that is set before us. your bountiful grace and mercy may speedily help and deliver us: through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. to whom with you and the Holy Spirit. be honour and glory, now and for ever.

FIRST READING Isaiah 11:1-10

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

A shoot shall come out from the stock of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. The spirit of the LORD shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD. His delight shall be in the fear of the LORD. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear; but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist, and faithfulness the belt around his loins. The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them. The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den. They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea. On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

PSALM Psalm 72:1-7. 18-19

R The Lord is king; let the earth rejoice.

Give the king your judgements, O God, and your righteousness to the son of a king.

Then shall he judge your people righteously

and your poor with justice. R

May the mountains bring forth peace, and the little hills righteousness for the people.

May he defend the poor among the people,

deliver the children of the needy and crush the oppressor. R

May he live as long as the sun and moon

from one generation to another. May he come down like rain upon the mown grass,

like the showers that water the earth. In his time shall righteousness flourish, and abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more. R

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, who alone does wonderful things. And blessed be his glorious name for

May all the earth be filled with his glory. Amen. Amen. R

SECOND READING Romans 15:4-13

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, "Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles, and sing praises to your name"; and again he says, "Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people"; and again, "Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him"; and again Isaiah says, "The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him the Gentiles shall hope." May the God of hope fill you with all joy

and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

GOSPEL Matthew 3:1-12

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said, "The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight." Now John wore clothing of camel's hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, and they were baptised by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, "You broad of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit worthy of repentance. Do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the axe is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. I baptise you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing-fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing-floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

POST 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.



