



# St Wilfrid's Church Brayton

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2026

## Presentation of Christ in the Temple

### Welcome to Morning Prayer at St Wilfrid's

#### Welcome to St Wilfrid's!

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.



To keep up to date with goings on at St Wilfrid's Church, follow this sign-up QR link



**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**

#### Community Lunch.

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> February, 12noon-1:30pm, St Wilfrid's Parish Hall. A simple lunch of soup, a roll and pudding. Only £5. **Pat**

**Mothers' Union.** Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February, from 2pm, St Wilfrid's Parish Hall. This month Clare Meadley will be telling us about the St Leonard's Hospice. **Jill**

#### Craft Group Coffee Morning.

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> February, 10am - 11:30am St Wilfrid's Parish Hall. A warm welcome awaits you with company, teas & coffee, and cakes. **June**

**Coffeemates.** Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> February 10am - 11.30, in St Wilfrid's Parish Hall. Enjoy Coffee, Tea and Home Baking while meeting friends and making new ones while raising funds for St Wilfrid's. **Lynn**

**Tea@Two.** Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February, 2pm-4pm, St Wilfrid's Parish Hall. An afternoon of coffee, tea, cake and chat. Tickets only £8. **Pat**

#### Great Heck Train Disaster:

**25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.** Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> February, 2pm, Selby Abbey. Service open to all. We remember those who were affected by this tragic event and especially to Mary, Andrew and James Dunn on the loss of Steve who were, and still are, held in our hearts as part of the St Wilfrid's family. **Ruth**

#### St Wilfrid's Pastoral Care.

Contact Sue Beevers 01757 229515 (susan.beevers1@btinternet.com) if you know of anyone who is sick, in hospital, in 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 at St Wilfrid's Church from Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> February:**

#### Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February

10:30am Holy Communion at **Fernbank Court**

#### Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> February

9:30am Holy Communion

#### Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> February

**Second Sunday before Lent**  
10:30am Holy Communion

**Contributions.** to magazine@stwilfridsparish.com

## COLLECT

Almighty and ever-living God,  
clothed in majesty,  
whose beloved Son  
was this day presented in the Temple,  
in substance of our flesh:  
grant that we may be presented to you  
with pure and clean hearts,  
by your Son Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

## FIRST READING Malachi 3:1-5

A reading from the book of the prophet Malachi.

Thus says the LORD God: See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight – indeed, he is coming, says the LORD of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the LORD in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the LORD as in the days of old and as in former years. Then I will draw near to you for judgement; I will be swift to bear witness against the sorcerers, against the adulterers, against those who swear falsely, against those who oppress the hired workers in their wages, the widow, and the orphan, against those who thrust aside the alien, and do not fear me, says the LORD of hosts.

## PSALM Psalm 24:[1-6] 7-end

R The Lord of hosts: he is the king of glory.

[The earth is the Lord's and all that fills it, the compass of the world and all who dwell therein.

For he has founded it upon the seas and set it firm upon the rivers of the deep.

R

"Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord, or who can rise up in his holy place?"

"Those who have clean hands and a pure heart,

who have not lifted up their soul to an idol, nor sworn an oath to a lie; R

"They shall receive a blessing from the Lord,  
a just reward from the God of their salvation."

Such is the company of those who seek him,  
of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob. R

Lift up your heads, O gates;  
be lifted up, you everlasting doors;  
and the King of glory shall come in.  
"Who is the King of glory?"  
"The Lord, strong and mighty,  
the Lord who is mighty in battle." R

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be lifted up, you everlasting doors;  
and the King of glory shall come in.  
"Who is this King of glory?"  
"The Lord of hosts,  
he is the King of glory." R

## SECOND READING Hebrews 2:14-end

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

Since the children share flesh and blood, Jesus himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

## GOSPEL Luke 2:22-40

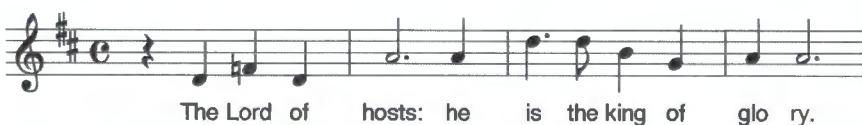
Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, Mary and Joseph brought Jesus up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord, "Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord"), and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of

the Lord, "a pair of turtle-doves or two young pigeons." Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying, "Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel." And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, "This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed – and a sword will pierce your own soul too." There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshipped there with fasting and prayer night and day. At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem. When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.

## POST COMMUNION

Lord, you fulfilled the hope of Simeon and Anna,  
who lived to welcome the Messiah:  
may we, who have received these gifts  
beyond words,  
prepare to meet Christ Jesus  
when he comes to bring us to eternal  
life;  
for he is alive and reigns, now and for  
ever.



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