



St Wilfrid's Church Brayton

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

Mothers' Union. Thursday 12th 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 14th February, 10am - 11:30am St Wilfrid's Parish Hall. A warm welcome awaits you with company, teas & coffee, and cakes. **June**

Coffeemates.

Wednesday 25th 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 26th February, 2pm-4pm, St Wilfrid's Parish Hall. An afternoon of coffee, tea, cake and chat. Tickets only £8. **Pat**

Great Heck Train Disaster:

25th Anniversary. Saturday 28th 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. **Rev'd Glyn**

Services at St Wilfrid's Church from Monday

2nd February:

Tuesday 3rd February

10:30am Holy Communion
at Fernbank Court

Wednesday 4th February

9:30am Holy Communion

Sunday 8th February

Second Sunday before Lent

10:30am Holy Communion

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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**

Lift up your heads, O gates;
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.

