



# ST. LAURENCE'S CHURCH, SCALBY

**Building together a community of faith  
that reaches out with God's love –  
in Jesus' name.**



## **PRAYER-CREATIVITY-INVITATION-LEARNING-JOY-SERVING**

**Week beginning: Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2026**

### **Hello and Welcome**

#### World



- ❖ We pray for restraint for world leaders who think that might be the right way forward that they would know God's ways of justice and compassion.
- ❖ A good resolution of the problems in Venezuela.
- ❖ The people of Greenland and Denmark- for their rights and wishes to be recognised and upheld.
- ❖ For all indigenous people around the world who've suffered the consequences of greed and violence perpetrated on them and their land.
- ❖ For bereaved families and those injured or investigating the fire in the bar in Crans Montana.
- ❖ For appropriate aid to be allowed into Gaza to enable teachers and children to resume education.

#### Church and Community

- ❖ In this season of Epiphany we remember with joy God revealing himself through the wise men, the baptism of Jesus and his first miracle. May we notice perhaps more undramatic moments when God shows himself to us through scripture, prayer and other people.
- ❖ The Standing, Missions and Social Committees all meeting this week.
- ❖ Those who serve and care for others at this time through the library, road maintenance, hospitals and grocery deliveries.
- ❖ The Messy Church Team and families as they prepare to meet on Saturday.
- ❖ Revd Claire Soderman, the Wardens and people of St Martin's Church, Seamer as they cope with the aftermath of the fire just before Christmas.

#### Individuals

- ❖ Kate McClean, Margery Pindar, Aline Croskin, Sarah Eade, James Trueman, Janet Newell and all those known personally to us who need our prayers.
- ❖ All who have been bereaved recently – Win Maung, Sally Frith and the family and friends of Elizabeth Bastiman.
- ❖ Please join Azaria and David in giving thanks to God for this new year, may it be full of new adventures and God's joy and peace for us all. Ask God how you and I can play a part in meeting their need of funding.



## Church Services today and next week

### Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> January

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Epiphany/The Baptism of Christ

**8.00am** **Holy Communion** Bishop David Wilbourne

**10.30am** **Holy Communion** Revd Tony Hand  
**Preacher** Revd Stephen Walker

**Collect:** Heavenly Father, at the Jordan you revealed Jesus as your Son: may we recognise him as our Lord and know ourselves to be your beloved children; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

**Readings:** Acts 10:34-43 & Matthew 3:13-end

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### Monday 12<sup>th</sup> January

**11.00am** **Funeral of Elizabeth Bastiman**

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### Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> January

**8.30am** **Morning Prayer** Revd Marion Wright

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### Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> January

**8.30am** **Morning Prayer** Revd Marion Wright

**10.30am** **Prayer in the Parish** Tony Shaw & Kevin Boak

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### Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> January

**4.00pm** **Messy Church** Celia Hare & Messy Team

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### Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> January

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Epiphany/Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

**8.00am** **Holy Communion** Revd Tony Hand

**10.30am** **Building together** Revd Tony Hand  
**Preacher** Kevin Boak

**Readings:** 1 Corinthians 1:1-9 & John 1:29-42

**5.00pm** **Fun and Food** Celia Hare

## **WHAT'S HAPPENING NEXT WEEK:**

12.01.26	10.00am	Little Steps	Church Rooms
13.01.26	8.30am	Morning Prayer	Church
15.01.26	8.30am	Morning Prayer	Church
	10.30am	Prayer in the Parish	Church
17.01.26	4.00pm	Messy Church	Church Rooms
18.01.26	8.00am	Holy Communion	Church
	10.30am	Building Together	Church
	5.00pm	Fun and Food	Church Rooms

## **FRIENDS OF ST. LAURENCE'S CURRY & PRIZE QUIZ NIGHT**

The Friends of St. Laurence's are hosting a Curry & Prize Quiz Night on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February at 6.30pm. it is a great night for all the family. Tickets are £10 per adult and £5 per child and are available from Sue Truefitt 07967 159436 or from any committee member. Please let them know of any dietary needs when purchasing your tickets.



## **THANK YOU**

The Rainbow Centre would like to thank everyone who donated children's toys, either at Messy church or at the Sunday services before Christmas. They were extremely pleased to receive such lovely gifts and sent Messy church a beautiful card to thank us.

## **COME AND SING DAY**

There is a come and sing day with Mike Leigh on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> February, 10am-3pm at St. Mark's Church, Newby. Come for a joyful, harmonious and praise filled day of singing. No previous singing experience is needed, all are welcome (even those who feel they can't sing!) and you don't need to read music to join in as everything is taught by ear. Mike is a singer and Natural Voice Practitioner with over 20 years of experience in teaching simple songs sung without instruments from around the world. £15 per person, (*Bring your own lunch. Drinks provided*). Go to [www.stmarksscarborough.com/](http://www.stmarksscarborough.com/) and click on the Events page, or use the QR code.



## **OFFICE HOURS FOR THE COMING WEEK**

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> January**

**9.30am – 12noon**

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> January**

**10.30am – 1pm**

We ask that you contact Sarah to arrange to pop into the office on 01723 364858 or via email [office@stlaurencescalby.org.uk](mailto:office@stlaurencescalby.org.uk).



## **COFFEE MORNING**

On Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> January there is a Coffee Morning to support Azaria and David in the Church Rooms 10-12pm.

## **CTIS WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY**

There is a week of prayer for Christian Unity between 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> January. There is a range of services and prayer meetings across a number of venues in Scarborough from 12noon-1pm.

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> January – St. Mary's Church, Castle Road

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> January – Scarborough Christian Fellowship, Castle Road

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> January – St. Andrew's URC, Ramshill Road

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> January – St. Mark's Church, Coldyhill Lane

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> January – Ebeneezer Baptist Church, Columbus Ravine

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> January – Dulverton Hall, Esplanade

United service '*One Body, One Spirit*' on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> January at 6.30pm at St. Mary's Church, Castle Road.

## **THANK YOU**

Many thanks to all who contributed towards the Christingle Service – Celia, Chris, Hilary and those who spent a morning putting the bags together. £556.34 was raised for the Children's Society.

## **COMMUNITY CAFÉ**

There is a Community Café at St. James' Church Arts Centre on Seamer Road 1.30-3.30pm on the following dates:



Mondays 19<sup>th</sup> January, 2<sup>nd</sup> February, 16<sup>th</sup> February & 2<sup>nd</sup> March.

Free coffee, tea and cakes in a warm space, enjoy some gentle table games or just chatter.

## **SCARBOROUGH DEANERY PRAYER GATHERING**

There are Scarborough deanery prayer gatherings throughout the year. On Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> January it will take place at 4-6pm in the chapel at Dulverton Hall on the Esplanade. The other dates are, Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April, Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> July and Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> October (venue to be confirmed).

## **THANK YOU**

Jasmine Alice and Angela wish to thank everyone who attended and contributed to their Christmas fair in November especially Rosie and Jackie for their help. We raised £110 for Diabetes UK.

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