



Worksop Priory
of Our Lady & St Cuthbert



SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Sunday 11 January 2026

Almighty ever-living God,
who govern all things,
both in heaven and on earth,
mercifully hear the pleading of your people
and bestow your peace on our times.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of
the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.



Background to the Gospel

This Sunday we break from our reading of Matthew’s Gospel (the primary Gospel for our current liturgical cycle, Cycle A) to read from John’s Gospel. We heard Matthew’s account of Jesus’ baptism last Sunday, on the feast of the Baptism of the Lord. Today, we hear John the Baptist’s testimony about Jesus as found in John’s Gospel. John’s Gospel differs from the other Gospels because John does not describe Jesus’ baptism by John the Baptist. Instead, John the Baptist announces that he knows that Jesus is the Son of God.

In today’s reading, John the Baptist sees Jesus approaching and cries out, giving witness about who Jesus is. In John’s testimony he says that he saw the Spirit descend upon Jesus. By this sign, John the Baptist knew that Jesus was the one who is to come after him.

John the Baptist uses two titles for Jesus that are familiar to us. John calls Jesus the “Lamb of God” and the “Son of God.” By using these titles, John the Baptist identifies Jesus’ ultimate purpose: to redeem sinful humanity. John the Baptist’s testimony about Jesus clearly distinguishes John’s baptism from the Baptism that Jesus will inaugurate. John baptizes with water; Jesus will baptize with the Holy Spirit. John also puts his practice of baptism in the context of Jesus’ ministry. The purpose of John’s baptism was to make Jesus known to Israel.

John the Baptist’s sense of purpose is clearly identified in this reading: he baptized in order to prepare for and make known the ministry of the One who was to follow. John’s witness is an excellent example of what it means to be a disciple. By our Baptism, we are called to make Jesus known to all the world by our words and by the witness of our lives.

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Please pray for

Those recently confirmed; Arvie, Dipu, Joshua and Simon.

The Unity of the Church;

peace especially in the DR Congo, the Holy Land, Lebanon, Ukraine, South Sudan, Sudan, Yemen and Syria;



for all in need;

our GP surgeries, hospice, hospital, and care homes;

the sick, especially;

Angela, Angela, Carol, Celia, Chris, Christine, Eric, Jan, Mary, Paul, Peter, Richard, Richard Francis, Tracey, Tuomas, and Violet.

for those who are unable to attend Mass;

Christine, Eileen, Judith, Linda, Maureen, and Tony.

for those who have died recently.

Freida May Jenkins, Veronica Calladine,
Lukasz Trojanowicz and Barbara Trojanowicz

and for those whose anniversaries fall around this time.



19 Jan	Ellen Chester Dixon
20 Jan	Mary Waltham, Hilda Smith, Doris Kirkland, Elsie Mary Elizabeth Burbidge, Elizabeth Wilson, Kathleen Vera Stubbins
21 Jan	Pauline Richardson
22 Jan	Peter Walker, Matilda Mawson
23 Jan	Olive Simons, Bernard Stamp, Janice Webster
24 Jan	Beryl Gladwin, Irene Gwyneth Colton, Ethel May Radford, Peggy Fricker

Services for the week ahead . . .

Today	9.30am 11.30am	Parish Mass with Junior Church Mass at Clumber
Monday 19 January Feria	9.30am 12 noon	Mass Funeral of Veronica Calladine
Tuesday 20 January Feria	1.00pm 6.30pm	Funeral of Lukasz Trojanowicz Mass
Wednesday 21 January St Agnes	9.30am	Mass
Thursday 22 January Feria	10.00am 6.30pm	Funeral of Freda Jenkins Mass
Friday 23 January Feria	12 noon	Mass
Saturday 24 January St Francis de Sales	9.30am	Mass
Sunday 25 January 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.30am 10.45am 11.30am	Parish Mass with Junior Church Teaching of Matthew's Gospel Mass at Clumber



Sacrament of Reconciliation by appointment, or before Mass on Thursday Evening or Friday Lunchtime.

Please contact Fr Spicer for either prayer or practical need. If requested, we will come and visit if we can, and especially in extremis. If you go into hospital or a care home please give the staff our contact numbers so that we can visit.

**Live streaming through Worksop
Priory Facebook Page will take place whenever possible and technology permits.**



Other Activities . . .		
Tuesday 20 January	2pm-3pm	St Paul's Community Pantry
Wednesday 21 January	10.15-11.15am 5pm-6pm	Songs & Stories St Paul's Community Pantry
Friday 23 January	10.30-11.30pm	Public Hour
Sunday 25 January	12.30pm	Parish Community Lunch

Public Hour

For booking Baptisms and Weddings and any general queries regarding Priory.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Many thanks to Greta for offering to host an **Afternoon Tea** on **Saturday 23 May** between 1pm and 3pm to help raise funds for church. Please save the date!



If you are able to host a coffee morning or have any other ideas that could help raise funds please speak to a member of the clergy or contact Susan on admin@worksoppriory.co.uk or call 07355 850735.

The Presentation of the Lord

Monday 2 February at 6.30pm Mass in church.

The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, celebrated 40 days after Christmas, commemorates Mary and Joseph presenting the infant Jesus at the Temple in Jerusalem, fulfilling Jewish law for the purification of Mary and redemption of the firstborn. It's also known as **Candlemas**, marking Jesus as the light of the world, and commemorates the prophetic encounter with Simeon, who recognised Jesus as the Messiah.



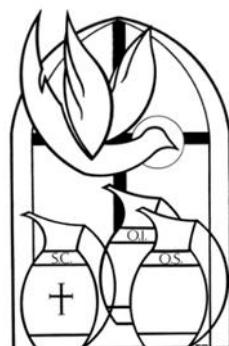
Chrism Mass

Monday 30 March at 12noon in church.

Please join us as we welcome Bishop Stephen to our parish.

What it is: A special Mass where the Bishop blesses the Oil of Catechumens (for baptism), the Oil of the Sick (for anointing), and consecrates the Holy Chrism (for baptism, confirmation, and ordination).

Why it's important: It symbolizes the unity of the diocesan priesthood with their bishop and the entire Church, with priests renewing their promises of service.

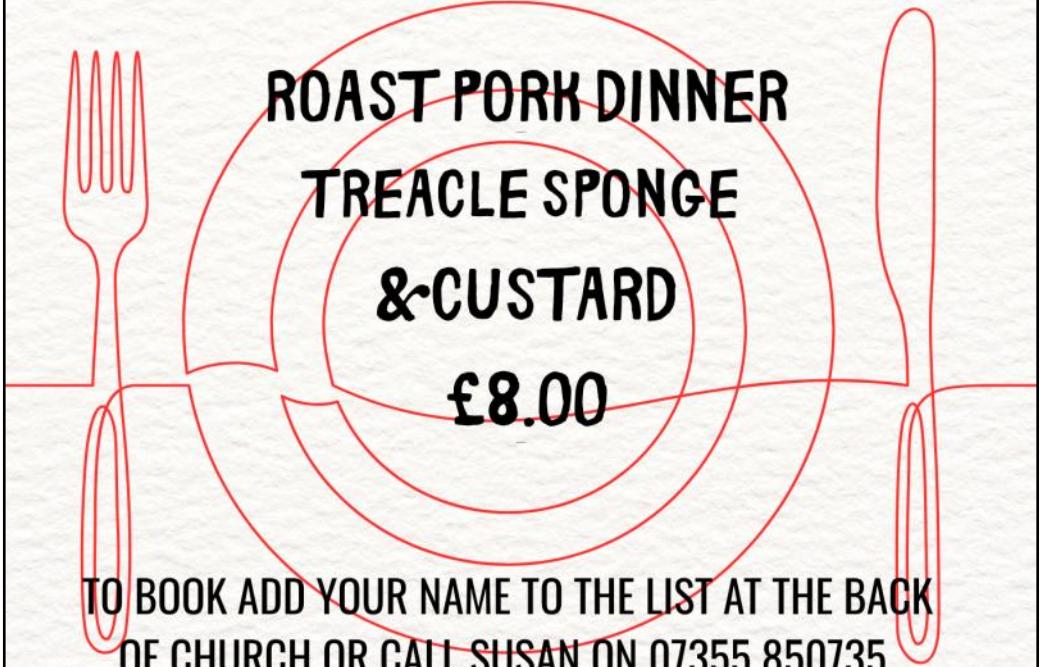


Let's do

PARISH LUNCH

SUNDAY 25 JANUARY 2026

12.30PM



ROAST PORK DINNER
TREACLE SPONGE
& CUSTARD

£8.00

TO BOOK ADD YOUR NAME TO THE LIST AT THE BACK
OF CHURCH OR CALL SUSAN ON 07355 850735

ALL WELCOME!

BAPTISM BOOKINGS AT PRIORY



Are you, or someone you know, wanting to have either a child or yourself baptised in Priory Church? Baptism Services generally take place during the first weekend of each month. Either at 4pm on Saturdays or 11am on Sundays.

Bookings are taken during the public hour in church on Fridays 10.30am to 11.30am when availability can be confirmed by Susan (Parish Administrator). For more information email admin@worksoppriory.co.uk or call 07355 850735.

The Sacraments of Healing



Please contact Fr Spicer for either prayer or practical need. If requested, we will come and visit, if we can, and especially in extremis. If you go into hospital or a care home please give the staff our contact numbers so that we can visit.

vicar@worksoppriory.co.uk

01909 472180

07748 653640

Our Giving

Bank details for standing orders or donations are:

Worksop Priory PCC:

Virgin Money Sort Code: 05-09-89 Account Number: 38125853

Due to bank charges for processing cheques and cash, we kindly ask that, wherever possible, people donate money using online banking, even for small amounts. This doesn't cost us a penny. Please indicate in the reference field who it's from, and what for, then we can Gift Aid your donation wherever possible.

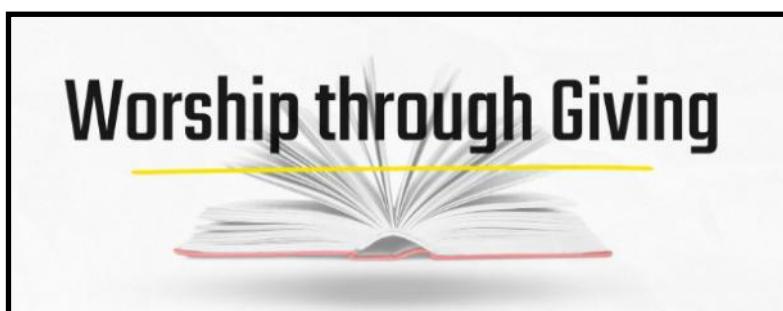
For convenience there is also a card machine in the Priory which can be used for donations or regular payments.



You can also donate to Priory quickly and easily by scanning our QR code, where there is an option to register to gift aid your donation, it takes a matter of seconds!

If you wish to continue to put cash in the collection plate each week, gift aid envelopes are only required for amounts over £30.

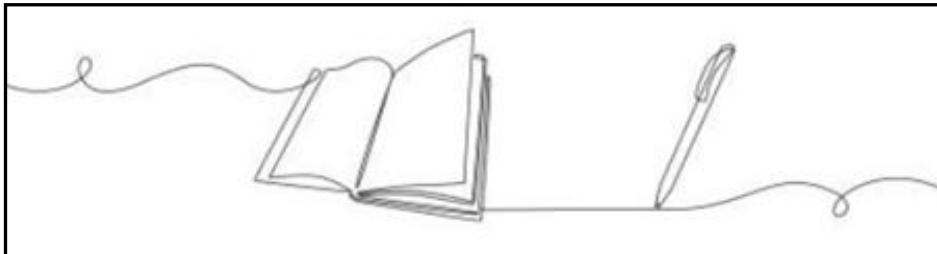
We are deeply grateful for all your continued financial support.



WORKSOP PRIORY BOOK OF

REMEMBRANCE

If you would like a loved ones' name to be recorded in the Worksop Priory Book of Remembrance, please complete and return a form (available at the back of church). There is a £10 fee toward the cost of the calligraphy.



100 CLUB

The weekly draw now takes place on Friday mornings during the public hour with winners announced one week later in the mass booklet/newsletter.

We would like to inform winners straight away if they have won, but we need your permission to contact you, and also check any details we do have are up to date. With this in mind if you are a member of the 100 Club, could you either email or call Susan to confirm your contact details and consent for Priory to store them.



Thanks to recent new subscribers we only have 12 numbers available;

29,32,34,59,62,63,74,80,82,86,96

The subscription is £1 per week per number.

Contact Susan for more details:

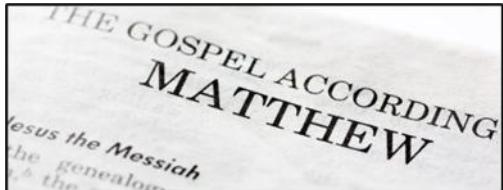
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THE TEACHING OF MATTHEW'S GOSPEL

Following Mass on Sunday 25 January Fr Garnett will be giving a short talk at 10.45am on the teachings of St Matthew's Gospel for all who are interested.

All welcome to grab a hot drink and biscuit, take a seat and listen.



LETTING OUR COMMUNITY KNOW WE ARE HERE!



Please do let us know if you are able to assist with leafleting roads in the parish.

The next leaflet will be ready to be delivered on the morning of Saturday 7 February, the time and meeting place will be confirmed nearer the time but it will be between 10am and 10.30am for an hour.

If you are able to leaflet a road or two in the parish at a time that is more convenient for you, contact Susan or Fr Spicer who can get leaflets to you.

This is such an important part of our ministry, and thanks to the efforts to date we have welcomed a new family to church on the back of receiving a leaflet!

Please get in touch if you feel able to help (admin@worksoppriory.co.uk or 07355 850735).

Radiant Life Day Centre CIC is a community-based service established to support older adults, adults with learning disabilities/difficulties, basic additional support needs, and individuals with mild mental health challenges.

Our aim is to provide a safe, supportive, and stimulating environment where older adults could feel less isolated, individuals can build confidence, develop life social skills, enhance their wellbeing, enjoy meaningful social gathering and fulfilling lives. We are committed to promoting independence, inclusion, diversity and dignity through person-centred and community-focused activities.



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DAY CENTRE

Where Inspiration Meets Care

Our programmes awaken memory, stir joy, and calm the soul:

⌚ Art & Creative Expression
Colours that heal. Shapes that tell stories.
We paint lives back into motion.

🎵 Music & Rhythm Therapy
Familiar songs like lanterns
guiding forgotten emotions home.

🧠 Cognitive Stimulation
Puzzles, storytelling, guided conversations—
gentle exercises for the mind's awakening.

🤝 Companionship Circles
Because a hand to hold
is sometimes the deepest medicine.

👣 Nature & Movement Walks
Soft breezes. Slow steps.
Moments shaped with tenderness.

♥️ Affection-Centred Support
Every interaction infused with love,
every gesture crafted with patience.

Why Families Trust Us

You Are Not Alone.
Let Us Walk This
Journey With You.

Choosing care is never easy—but at Radiant Life, you'll find a dedicated team committed to:

- Safety
- Professional support
- Emotional wellbeing
- Tailored engagement
- Genuine compassion

Your loved one receives more than care—they receive connection, warmth, and community.



Kingston Road Community Hub |

Kingston Road | Manton |

Worksop S80 2UH

Phone: 07770222509

Email:

contact@radiantlifedaycentre.co.uk

Website:

www.radiantlifedaycentre.co.uk





ALL PROCEEDS TO THE UPKEEP OF PRIORY

Set of 24 classical CDs. Each CD is set in a booklet filled with information about the music included.



Two bowls of the same pattern, one round, one leaf shaped. Need a clean but otherwise in good condition.



Two small bud vases,
matching design of
Worksop Priory, slight
difference in sizes.
Made in Worksop.



**Interested? To make an offer or for more details
please contact: admin@worksoppriory.co.uk /
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Two framed drawings of landmarks in Beverley, East Yorkshire.
The Market & The Minster.



**All proceeds
to the upkeep
of Worksop
Priory.**



Watercolour paintings of Worksop Priory in cardboard mounts. Two looking towards the East End (Altar).

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WINNER

C L U B

Friday 9 January 2026

£20 81 Ms R. Mitchell

£10 56 Mrs C. Palin

£5 65 Mrs S. Bekisz

£5 44 Mr M. Steddon

Available Numbers: 29,32,34,59,62,63,74,80,82,86,96

In addition to the weekly draws there are two £100 draws and an annual £500 draw. Each number is £1 per week.

If you would like to be in it to win it, contact Susan Bekisz who will be happy to help you.

admin@worksoppriory.co.uk or 07355 850735

Subscription Information:

To make this enterprise simpler to manage we please ask that subscriptions be paid by bank transfer if possible and referenced '100 CLUB'. Cash payments should be in an envelope clearly marked '**100 CLUB**' with your **NAME** and **NUMBER**. Each number is £1 per week. Envelopes can be placed in the collection plate or passed to a member of the clergy, Keith Wake or Susan.

Please consider doing your online shopping through the easyfundraising website or app. Currently if you join and shop with eBay by 30 September, Worksop Priory will be entered into the draw to receive one of TEN £500 micro grants. Plus, whenever you buy from eBay or any other participating retailer, Worksop Priory receives a small percentage of the spend as a donation at no extra cost.

All those donations soon add up!

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Join as our supporter today at:

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WORKSOP PRIORY

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Click out
to where you'd
like to shop



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the same!

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a % of your spend
to easyfundraising



They pass
it on to us
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Plus, you'll get...



Exclusive retailer offers



Competitions



A warm feeling inside!

Over
£60m
raised for UK good causes

£0

extra cost to anyone



Community Pantry



Everyone Welcome
£5 per bag
Cash Only

Come and visit our
second hand com-
munity shop.
Items from 10p.
All clothes £1 per
item

Tuesday : 2 to 3 pm

Wednesday: 5 to 6pm

Join us on Tuesdays from 12pm for
communita, have a cuppa, biscuit and a chat
St Paul's Church Hall, Pelham Street



Bassetlaw Food Bank



There are collection boxes at the back of Priory Church

Regular financial donations make a huge difference! 🍅

As grants and funding get harder to come by, knowing we have regular donations in means we know we can continue to support households in crisis in Bassetlaw.

You can set up regular or one off donation here:

http://bit.ly/donate_to_BFB



Worksop Priory C of E Primary Academy



Welcome to Priory Nursery and Reception



Our Nursery Times are:

Morning – 8:30am to 11:30am

Afternoon – 12:30am to 3:30pm



We are also able to offer 30 hrs by application

We offer some fun groups to attend *with your little one*, either before your child starts with us or once they are at Nursery.

Playgroup @ Priory Nursery

Activities, dancing, stories and rhymes for the under 5's. Every Monday 1.15 – 2.15pm.

Family Fitness

Action activities with stories and rhymes for the under 5's. Tuesday 3.30-4:15pm. Runs for six weeks each term, please contact the office for dates.

Wiggly Worship at Priory Church

For the under 5's (pram service), every Wednesday 10.15-11.15am.



We look forward to seeing you!

Contact the Academy Office on 01909 478886

Or email office@worksoppriory.snmats.org.uk



SONGS AND STORIES FOR BABIES, TODDLERS & PRE-SCHOOL CHILDREN

Every Wednesday 10.15am-11.15am in church.

All parents, carers, grandparents and childminders are welcome to bring children to join in these friendly and fun sessions.

Most weeks we are also joined by a small group of nursery children & staff from Priory School who bring a craft activity along.

Please spread the word amongst your family and friends. Also, if you can help our lovely volunteers with helping set up, run or clear up afterwards we would love to hear from you.

If you would like more details about the group or about helping about, please contact us.

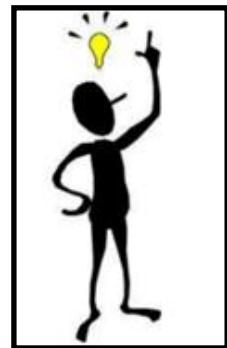
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FUNDRAISING FOR PRIORY

Are you able to host a fundraising event to help boost church funds? For example, a coffee morning, raffle, sponsored activity? Does your employer offer matched giving to charities? Please contact Susan with any ideas of events you would like to see happen and help plan – admin@worksoppriory.co.uk or



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What to do if you have a Safeguarding concern about someone at Worksop Priory

A safeguarding concern may relate to the welfare of someone, or care (or lack of) being provided. Also, you may need to talk to someone about something in our church that isn't right or has upset you.

Urgent concerns

If you believe someone is at immediate risk of being harmed you must contact either the Police or Social Services directly:

Police 999

Nottinghamshire Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) 0300 500 8090/0300 456 4546

Non-urgent concerns

If the concern is not urgent or an emergency, Worksop Priory has a **Parish Safeguarding Officer – Susan Bekisz** who manages safeguarding issues at church. She can be contacted on safeguarding@worksoppriory.co.uk

In the first instance it is useful to know the outline of the concern. Whilst the email address is confidential, we understand that you may not wish to disclose names of those involved in this way. It is likely that the Safeguarding Officer would then phone you so please leave a contact number and time of day that is most appropriate to call. If you prefer to liaise by email, please make that clear too.

If you are unable to email you can call **07355 850735**. This phone cannot always be answered immediately, but you can leave a message.

We will endeavour to respond within 48 hours.

There may be occasions when our Safeguarding Officer is not available.

If we have not responded within 36 hours after you have raised a concern, consider the following options to get advice:

Fr Spicer 01909 472180 or 07748 653640

Diocesan Safeguarding Team 01636 817200

We would stress that if you are concerned an issue requires urgent action, you should contact the police or social services directly using the phone numbers above.

PLEASE BE MINDFUL...

You may well have heard that recently there have been some thefts of personal possessions left unattended in church.

Please, be aware, keep your bags closed and, along with other valuables, about your person always. We hope this will reduce any further opportunistic thefts.



Email:

vicar@worksoppriory.co.uk

warden@worksoppriory.co.uk

admin@worksoppriory.co.uk

Web:

worksoppriory.co.uk

achurchnearyou.com/st-mary-st-cuthbert-worksop-priory

Safeguarding matters please contact:

Parish Safeguarding Officer:

safeguarding@worksoppriory.co.uk 07355 850735

Diocesan Safeguarding Team:

safeguarding@southwell.anglican.org 01636 817200

Priory CCLI No : 244298



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under the patronage of Saint Wilfrid and Saint Hilda