

## St Oswald's is part of the



PARISH GIVING SCHEME

Could you join it too, and help us be the Generous Church in our Communities, we want to be?

**THE VISION:** St Oswald's is a Church Building around which is drawn a committed Church Community week by week, to which many come to mark the milestones of their lives, to learn and be fed, and to seek blessing and solace and from which God's love is taken out into the homes, schools, meeting places *etc* of our villages.

**THE NEED:** It presently costs just shy of 100k per annum to 'be and do Church' as we know and love and need it! But only about 45% of that cost is met by our regular givers!

**WHAT WE ARE ASKING:** Could you move over to/join the PGS to help standardize/ streamline our 'giving systems'? Could you increase your giving by the cost of a take-away coffee a week, or more?

**It would truly make a huge difference!**

If you have received a letter requesting that you move over to the PGS and wish to speak to someone about it please ask; if you have just put your letter to one side to deal with another day we encourage you to return to it; and if you have never been a regular giver but would consider becoming one of those who supports the life and work of the church and enables the valued presence of St Oswald's to be sustained all year round, then please take a PGS leaflet or speak to someone before you leave today.

**THANK YOU SO MUCH!**

## Who's Who?

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## St Oswald's Church

Collingham  
with Harewood



# Welcome!

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

### FEAST of CANDLEMAS

8.30am Eucharist (*said*)

10am Eucharist (*sung*)

*Preacher: Joanna Leidenhag*



**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> - 9.30am Eucharist**

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February**

**10am—11.30am @ Methodist Hall**

*'Teddy Praise' for all those 'little ones' not yet at school—babies, toddlers etc, and those who look after them! Cuppa, Juice, Toys & Play, Craft, Songs, Story & Prayer*

**11am - Funeral: Bernadette 'Bernie' Clark**



**Next Sunday - 8<sup>th</sup> February**

8.30am Eucharist (*said*)

**10am CONFIRMATION EUCHARIST**

*with Bishop Anna. Please pray for our 3 candidates—Grace Clarke, Eviana Forrester and James Hobson.*

### TODAY'S COLLECTS & READINGS

**Collect :** Lord Jesus Christ, light of the nations and glory of Israel: make your home among us, and present us pure and holy to your heavenly Father, your God, and our God. **Amen.**

### HYMNS / SONGS

39: Angels from the realms of glory...(omit v2)

444: Like a candle flame...

812: What child is this?

81: Born in the night, Mary's child...

**Reading:** **Malachi 3. 1-5** 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 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.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

### **GOSPEL: Luke 2. 22-40**

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought him 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 for 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. This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

### **Post-Communion Prayer:-**

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. **Amen.**

### **LENT begins on Ash Wednesday,**

18<sup>th</sup> February



*There will be Services morning*

*(9.30am) and evening (7.30pm).*

*Please return any Palm Crosses you have for making the Ash!*

### **LO:GO**

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> February,

2pm-4.15pm Our half termly event for our local children, accompanied by a parent/grandparent/carer. Fun and activity as we share in song, story, craft and games. More details sent out through our village school, or flyers at the back of church.

*Please book by Saturday eve. 14<sup>th</sup> February.*

### **WORLD DAY OF PRAYER**

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March - 2pm,  
St Joseph's, Wetherby



*followed by Refreshments*



### **BINGO, PIZZA & BAR**

### **FAMILY FUN NIGHT**

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March,

5pm-7.30pm,

**Memorial Hall, Green Room**

**Tickets Adults £10**

**Children £5**

**Family Ticket 2 adults + 2 children £25**

*Tickets in advance only:*

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**2026 APCM of the  
Parish Church of St Oswald,  
Collingham with Harewood.  
Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March, in Church,  
beginning at 11.15am.**



*A Chance to Reflect upon, and Commit to,  
our Working Together in this place  
where God has put us!*