



## Services this week

### Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> February - 2<sup>nd</sup> before Lent

- 8.30 Said Communion
- 10.00 Family Communion
- 2.00 Forest Church

### Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February

- 10.00 Holy Communion

### Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> February - next before Lent

- 8.30 Said Communion
- 10.00 Family Communion
- 4.00 Brick Church

## Sunday 8th February 2026

### The 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday before Lent

**We welcome Evelyn Clarke for Baptism in church at 11.45**

#### Collect

Holy God, you know the disorder of our sinful lives: set straight our crooked hearts, and bend our wills to love your goodness and your glory in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

#### Prayer after Communion

Holy God, we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ: may we who are partakers at his table reflect his life in word and deed, that all the world may know his power to change and save. This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

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Hymns: 415, 67, 543, 496, 544, 200

#### Refreshments served in the Hall after 10am service

Dick and Gwen would like to thank all our Church family for the cards, prayers and messages of support we have received in the past few weeks. These have all been very much appreciated and have helped us through a very difficult time. Thank you so much.

## Annual Church Meeting 22<sup>nd</sup> February

**Annual Parochial Church Meeting** will be held in church at 11.30am on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2026. Would those responsible for producing group reports please send them to the PCC Secretary, Anne Hodgeon, as soon as possible, deadline 31st January. Anne's details are on back page of this notice sheet.

**Nominations for Elected roles** at the APCM. We need people to consider being nominated for vacancies requiring election at our APCM. We have **5** vacancies for **PCC members** and **3 Deanery Synod Members**. (Deanery Synod members will not take up their role till 30<sup>th</sup> June when the new Deanery Synod term starts.)

Description of roles, training etc, and nomination forms are on vestment chest in the south aisle. If you require further information or wish to discuss roles further please speak to: Ann Hamilton (Parish Safeguarding Officer) initially, but please speak to anyone already a member of PCC or Deanery Synod who can give you an insight into their role. I ask everyone to pray and consider being nominated and for all the congregation to pray for, and support anyone who feels able to take up these roles. **All** volunteer roles are important not just for the smooth running of St. John's but to ensure that we all play our part in God's work in our Church family, the Parish and wider community.

## The Way Forward Update

Phase 1 is now complete and we have been granted a faculty extension for phase 2. In his reply the Chancellor commented on how impressed he is with the works to date. We are currently assessing grant applications for phase 2. Part of the grant process is to show how the building will be used by the wider community, if you would like to help with this essential fact-finding work please speak to Angela or Sarah.

**Easter Egg Hunt** - We would like to organise an Easter Egg hunt again this year so will be starting to collect eggs from next week, we would recommend small boxed eggs rather than filled eggs such as Creme eggs. If you see them on special offer in the supermarket do tell

others, it is a lovely way to share the message of the Resurrection with our wider community.

**Prayer List** Please pray for: Alison Alderson, Naomi Appleby, Carole Bell, Ivy Bell, Eddie Bolton, Lesley Bolton, Claire Brooks, Lynne Brown, Kay Dixon, Derek Foggon, Eunice Goff, Stuart Haig, Jean Heron, Vera Hindmarsh, Diana Jones, Iris Kitching, Fiona McKie, Pam McKie, Jess Morton, Gill Riddell.

Please pray for the family and friends of Anne Curry

Request forms for prayer list/pastoral visits are in the green folder.

## Upcoming Events and Notices

**Forest Church** at 2pm 8<sup>th</sup> Feb at The Rising Sun Country Park, a joint venture with local churches. Meet on the grass outside the Centre.

**Hilary** is walking 1 kilometre per day in February for **Dementia UK**. If you wish to sponsor her please use link below or speak to Hilary  
<https://www.facebook.com/donate/1378373536842226/>

**Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> February** Parish Sunday Lunch at the Red Lion, Earsdon. Please sign the sheet in the south aisle if you'd like to go.

**World Day of Prayer** Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March 10.30am St Mary Magdalene, Longbenton. Theme of prayer is Nigeria. 'I will give you rest, come.'

**Fun Quiz Night and shared supper** Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm in the hall. No charge. Bring glass and drink. Coffee/tea and tombola available. There is a list in the south aisle – would you please give your name and the number of people coming, to help with seating etc.

**Website** Items for the website to Rev Sarah by email. Events and articles are always better with pictures!

**The Bay Foodbank** is short of tinned rice, tomatoes, custard, hotdogs, cereal, and jam. Please give what you can and leave in church or hall.

**Ash Wednesday** - 18<sup>th</sup> February marks the start of Lent. The Church of England has produced a daily reflection booklet "Draw Near" Please sign the list in the south aisle for a copy, discount for buying in bulk (maximum cost £3)! It is also available free on the Everyday Faith App for tablets and smart phones. There is also a Lent Course linked to the

booklet, if you are interested please sign the list and indicate whether you would prefer morning, afternoon or evening.

**Ash Wednesday** services 18<sup>th</sup> February at 10am and 7pm.

## **Regular Events and Services**

**Baptism Enquiries** First Sunday of the month 11.30 in the Hall.

**Midweek Communion** Thursdays at 10am in church. All welcome

**Junior Church** Sundays 10am weekly in **term-time** for all children.

**Explore@4** 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday Little Explorers at 4pm in church 1<sup>st</sup> Feb  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Brick Church at 4pm in the Hall 15<sup>th</sup> February

**Family Communion Service 22nd February**

**Forest Church** 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday at 2pm Rising Sun Country Park 8<sup>th</sup> February

**Healing Service** 6pm every quarter, next service Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April

**Men's Fellowship** 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month, 7.00pm in the Hall 10<sup>th</sup> February

**Monthly Book Club** at Joyce's 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month, 2-3pm 12<sup>th</sup> Feb

**Mondays 10am** Knit & Natter at The King's Arms, weekly (not bank holidays)

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Notices to Marion Mullen please

**Easyfundraising** link to St John's:

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stjohnskillingworthparishc>

Gluten-free wafers are available by request to a sides person before the service. In order to protect anyone who is gluten intolerant we cannot permit intinction (dipping wafers into the wine)

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Please support this way of raising funds – over £1730 raised to date.