



ST MARGARET'S ILKLEY

SUNDAY 28 DECEMBER

The Holy Innocents

8.00 am – Low Mass

Fr Alex

10.45 am – Sung Mass

Fr Alex



IN OUR PRAYERS

Christine Atkinson, Ann Bruun, Alan Calder, Teresa Cannell, Anne Clarke, Roy Clarke, David Coleman, Margaret Cooke, Joyce Cross, Ramone Guha, Alan King, Pascale Moerhle, Pam Monkman, Stephen Pilling, Johnny Ratcliffe, Philip Rowbottom, Robin Shaw, John Sunderland, Molly Sunderland, Shirley Thompson

DEPARTED Diljara Berzina

YEARS' MIND

Sunday	William Francis Molander, Charles Bainbridge
Monday	Winifred Senior, Anna Grylls
Tuesday	Doris Wood
Wednesday	Ada Jamieson, Steve Bainbridge
Friday	William Whalley, Dorothy Parkinson

Please continue to pray for the people of Sudan, whose Church is linked with our Diocese of Leeds

CHURCH DIARY

Tuesday 30	6.00 pm	Contemplative Mass	Fr Alex
JANUARY			
Thursday 1	11.00 am	Low Mass <i>with social time</i>	Fr Alex
Friday 2	12.30 pm	Organ Recital	
Saturday 3	6.30 pm	Plainchant Mass	Fr Alex
Sunday 4	8.00 am	BCP Holy Communion	Fr Alex
<i>Christmas II</i>	9.15 am	Godly Play	Catherine Gibson
	10.45 am	High Mass	Fr Alex (H: Fr Kenneth)
	6.30 pm	Choral Evensong	Fr Marc (H: Fr Alex)
Tuesday 6	7.30 pm	High Mass with blessing of the church <i>followed by wine</i>	Fr Alex (H: Br Michael Jacob SSF)
<i>The Epiphany</i>			
Thursday 8	11.00 am	Low Mass <i>followed by social time</i>	Fr Alex
Friday 9	9.30 am	Playtime	
	6.30 pm	Junior singers rehearsal	
	7.45 pm	Choir rehearsal	
Sunday 11	8.00 am	Low Mass	Fr Alex
<i>Baptism of Christ</i>	9.15 am	Family Mass	Fr Alex
	10.45 am	High Mass	Fr Alex
	6.30 pm	Choral Evensong	Fr Alex (H: Fr Kenneth)

NOTICES

No Morning Prayer this week – resuming on Monday 5 January

St Margaret's Christmas Appeal

Our chosen charity for this year is 'Staying Put', a charity supporting women, men and children who are survivors of domestic abuse in the Bradford area. Donations can be made via the safe in a clearly marked envelope, or by scanning this QR code with your mobile phone. Thank you.



Weekly Envelopes for 2026

Boxes of weekly envelopes for 2026 are available to pick up from the back of church. If you have any queries or would like to move to standing order, please contact our Stewardship Secretary, Alison Stretton.

Thank you

My sincere thanks to all who have contributed to our special Christmas services in any way. It has been another wonderful start to the holy season, shared with lots of new faces. Please pray that our visitors may be blessed in the year to come, and that they might be drawn back to worship with us again. *Fr Alex.*

Thank you from the Crawfords

Fr Alex and Natalie and Fr Kenneth and Kim would like to thank everyone for their lovely cards and gifts this Christmas, but most of all for your friendship and support over the past year. We wish you all a very merry Christmas, and a happy new year. *Fr Kenneth is presiding and preaching at St Michael's, Headingley, this morning.*

Thank you from Fr Marc

I would like to wish all in our congregations a happy and peaceful Christmas, and I give my thanks to all who have helped my first six months in Ilkley go so well with your prayers and practical support. It is greatly appreciated. *Fr Marc is on leave until 1 January.*

Christmas greetings from Bethan and Horace

The latest newsletter and Christmas greetings from Bethan and Horace of JJ Community Transformation in Uganda is available from the back of church and in this week's digital news.

Organ Recital

Friday 2 January, 12.30 pm

A miscellany of lovely music for the organ recital in January. One of my favourite Bach works which has so far escaped the net, the great G major Prelude and fugue, which I have often played as a voluntary, but never in a recital! A morsel from the amazing Jéhan Alain called Le jardin suspendu (the hanging garden), is followed by a suitably Christmassy piece by Karg-Elert based on 'In dulci Jubilo'; another Prelude and fugue by Mendelssohn, to complete the set; then a lovely and triumphant Hymn-tune Prelude by Whitlock on Darwall's 148th (the tune we sing to 'Ye Holy Angels bright') to round off the programme. *Christopher.*

Plainchant Mass

Saturday 3 January, 6.30 pm

Please come along if you can to this beautiful service. No musical experience necessary!

The Feast of the Epiphany

Tuesday 6 January, 7.30 pm

Join us as we celebrate this rich and beautiful feast on Tuesday 6 January at 7.30 pm. Blessed chalk will be available to take home with which to mark the traditional Epiphany blessing upon your homes. Wine will be served afterwards. We're pleased to welcome Br Michael Jacob of the Society of St Francis to be our guest preacher. All are welcome.

GIVING

We rely on your generous donations to fund the work of our church, and to support the cost of ministry in the diocese. Please consider making a regular donation to St Margaret's. Thank you for your support.

REGULAR GIVING is via the Parish Giving Scheme: visit www.parishgiving.org.uk and search for 'Ilkley St Margaret;' or by bank standing order. Please contact Alison Stretton, Stewardship Secretary: astretton1@virginmedia.com or on 07867 880409 for more details.

ONE-OFF DONATIONS can also be made via the Parish Giving Scheme online, the card reader by the entrance to the church, or by scanning the QR code on the right with your mobile phone. Cash donations can be put in the large safe opposite the welcomers' table. Please use Gift Aid where possible to allow us to increase the value of your gift at no cost to you. **THANK YOU.**



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