



ST MARGARET'S ILKLEY

SUNDAY 21 DECEMBER Advent IV

8.00 am – Low Mass

Fr Alex (Homily: Fr Marc)

9.15 am – Christingle Service

Fr Alex

10.45 am – High Mass

Fr Alex (Homily: Fr Marc)

6.30 pm – Service of Lessons and Carols

Fr Alex



IN OUR PRAYERS

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, James King

YEARS' MIND

Sunday	Ethel Perks, Helen Johnstone
Monday	Jack Kidd, George Edwin Twigg, David Hartley, John Collins
Tuesday	Hector Newton, Roy Walker, Richard Coakes, Norman Phillips
Wednesday	John Fielding Lawson, Brenda Barrett
Thursday	John Bryan, Timothy Halton, Winifred Mary Johnstone, Arthur Marshall
	Geoffrey Newton
Friday	Annie Watchurst, Kathleen Partridge, Peter Allan
Saturday	Richard Kitching, Rita Newton

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

CHURCH DIARY

Tuesday 23	6.00 pm	Contemplative Mass <i>by candlelight</i>	Fr Alex
Christmas Eve	3.00 pm	Crib Service	Fr Alex
	10.00 pm	Bethlehem Midnight Mass	Fr Alex
Christmas Day	10.00 am	Mass of Christmas Morning	Fr Alex
Friday 26 <i>St Stephen</i>	11.00 am	Low Mass	Fr Kenneth
Saturday 27 <i>St John</i>	2.00 pm	Christmas Communion at Mayfield View	
	6.30 pm	Contemplative Mass	Fr Alex
Sunday 28 <i>Holy Innocents</i>	8.00 am	Low Mass	Fr Alex
	10.45 am	Sung Mass	Fr Alex
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 <i>Christmas II</i>	8.00 am	BCP Holy Communion	Fr Alex
	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)

NOTICES

Service of Lessons and Carols – this evening at 6.30 pm

Don't forget to join us as we celebrate the traditional service of Lessons and Carols, with readings by representatives of local organisations, and wonderful music from our choir. Wine and mince pies will be served in church afterwards. All are very welcome.

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. The collections at the Service of Lessons and Carols this evening, and the Crib Service on Christmas Eve, will go towards the appeal; donations at other times may be made via the safe in a clearly marked envelope, or by scanning this QR code with your mobile phone. Thank you.



Services in the first week of Christmas

Please note that **Morning Prayer** ceases after Christmas Eve, resuming on Monday 5 January. On the days after Christmas, there is a **Low Mass on Boxing Day at 11.00 am** for St Stephen and **Contemplative Mass on Saturday 27 at 6.30 pm** for St John. The **Masses on Tuesday 30 December and Thursday 1 January** are held as normal. There are only the **two Masses on Sunday 28 December, 8.00 am and 10.45 am**.

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.

Organ Recital – thank you

Thank you to everyone who supported this month's organ recital which raised £168.75 for the Organ Restoration Fund.

Parish Office

The Parish Office is closed from Tuesday 23 December for the Christmas week.

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*

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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