

The Parish of Darfield

All Saints Darfield and St Michael Great Houghton

Sunday 14th September 2025

Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

10:45 a.m. Holy Communion Darfield **Sunday 21st September 2025**

Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

9:00 a.m. Holy Communion Great Houghton 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship Darfield **4:00 p.m. Café Church** *Darfield Church Hall*

Prayer Ministry Update: September 2025

Our Prayer Ministry Team of just four active members [Irene, Karen, Wendy and Carol] continue to meet before the Sunday Services and weekly to pray for our Parish and to respond to prayer requests. They are no longer able to offer Prayer Ministry during and after our All Saints Communion Services.

The Prayer Box is still available in Church and any prayer requests will be treated with absolute confidentiality. You can also connect with us by contacting Carol: 07542 527 331, to arrange a confidential phone call or a visit. **Blessings**

Lost and Found:

Before you ask, this is not a new item in our news sheet to re-unite owners to items left around our buildings but an attempt to recall familiar parables taught by Jesus, two of which form this Sunday's

These parables were told to an audience which included tax-collectors who were hated by the rest of the population. These Jews collected taxes for the oppressive Roman government and raised their own pay by adding extra 'tax' to their collections.

Sheep were important both for their wool and meat and were seen as a mark of wealth. In these parables we read of a man caring for his flock of one hundred sheep when one goes missing and a woman with ten silver coins who lost one of them. The silver coins could have been her life savings or part of a dowry worn as a decoration. In both cases, as soon as the loss is noted, they immediately search and rejoice and spread the news when they are found.

We read that "there is rejoicing in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents." [Luke 15: 10]

A third parable about being lost and found follows with the story of a *Prodigal Son*. [Luke 5, 11-31] A young man asked his father for his share of the inheritance. He took this and travelled to a far country where he "squandered the money in high living". When his money was spent, he found a lowly and degrading job tending pigs. He came to his senses and decided to return home and seek employment with his father as a hired servant.

As he neared his home, his father saw him, welcomed him and held a celebration in his honour. The young man's older brother who had stayed at home was annoyed by t he welcome but their father responded "we had to celebrate and be glad, because this brother of yours was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found."

Boardgames Club
Saturday 20th September
in the Church Hall
6:30 p.m. for 7:00 p.m. start.
Why not bring and share your own games?

Heritage Open Days

Saturday 13th September 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

All Saints, Darfield and St Michael's, Great Houghton

Sunday 14th September 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

All Saints, Darfield

13th Sunday after Trinity

Almighty God, you search us and know us: may we rely on you in strength and rest on you in weakness, now and in all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Readings

Exodus 32: 7-14 Psalm 51: 1-11 1 Timothy 1: 12-17 Luke 15: 1-10

Readings for this week September

14th 2 Corinthians 2: 12-17
15th 2 Corinthians 3: 1-6
16th 2 Corinthians 3: 7-18
17th Proverbs 10: 1-10
18th Proverbs 10: 11-23
19th Proverbs 10: 24-32
20th Proverbs 11: 1-10
21st Proverbs 11: 11-24

Prayer Square This week we are praying for the residents of Great Houghton

Crabtree Drive Pinewood Close Ashwood Grove Lister Row Mileswood Close

Praver

Forward any prayer requests to our Prayer Ministry team through

Carol Hunter: 07542 527 331

Community Shop on the Go and Warm Welcome Space Darfield Church Hall

Thursday 18th September from 9:00 a.m.

Community Shop - Next Date: 2nd October Warm Welcome Space is open every Thursday between 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.

Easy Fund Raising

Do you shop online? If so, have you considered signing up to easyfundraising and naming us as your supported cause? It costs you nothing but can earn income for our church. A lot of the major retailers support it, such as M & S, Tesco, Morrisons, eBay, Asda, TUI, Dunelm and thousands more. Once you have signed up, you can put a reminder onto your computer, laptop, tablet or whatever which will give you a prompt whenever you go onto a site which does easyfundraising. Fairly large donations are also available when you take up insurance quotes (car, home, etc) from some comparison sites. For example, I recently went into the Money Supermarket comparison site as my car insurance was due for renewal. I managed to save nearly 20% on my car insurance plus they paid £18 to the Darfield All Saints cause. Please ask Kay (or Peter) for more information. Please support us in this way as it costs you nothing but can soon add up for our church. In 2025 we have only received support from 4 people (HUGE thankyou to them), so could you possibly join our little band of supporters?

Sign up at https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/

Find the **easyfundraising** app on Google play or App Store Thanks Kay

St Michael's Great Houghton is open for...

Craft and Natter on Tuesdays between 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. **Thoughtful Thursdays** between 11:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon

We aim to be a visible spiritual presence in our communities as we strive to make Jesus known to all.

Resources and Contacts

Churchwarden Peter Robinson 01226 753 572 **Safeguarding** contact Peter Robinson 07910 728 581

PCC Secretary VACANT

Parish Safeguarding Officer Sue Holden

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DEADLINE for Content

Items, preferably via e-mail, to pdrobinson@live.co.uk

Tuesday 5:00 p.m.

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