



The Parish of Darfield

All Saints Darfield and St Michael Great Houghton

Sunday 18th January 2026

9:00 a.m. Holy Communion Great Houghton

10:45 a.m. Morning Worship Darfield

4:00 p.m. Café Church Ardsley

Sunday 25th January 2026

10:45 a.m. Holy Communion Darfield

Disciples

Stand up, Stand up for Jesus, Ye soldiers of the Cross

1858 George Duffield 1818-1888

A disciple is one who is a pupil or dedicated follower of a leader, preacher or philosopher. They accept the teachings of their leader and actively spread them. More specifically the term Disciple is used to describe the twelve who were chosen by Jesus to be His closest followers. [Luke 6: 12-16] The Twelve are also known as Apostles, derived from the Greek *apóstolos* meaning a messenger or envoy. Their task after the events of Pentecost was to spread the Good News about Jesus.

Throughout his ministry of Baptism, John the Baptist had denied being the Messiah and responded to the envoys of the religious leaders that he was "*the voice of one calling in the wilderness, 'Make straight the way for the Lord'*" [John 1: 23; Isaiah 40: 3]. John had built up a group of disciples who supported the practice of Baptism a symbol of repentance and echoed John's simple way of life. John's influence was to continue as, some years after the foundation of the early Church, St Paul found a group of twelve believers who had only received John's Baptism. [Acts 19: 1-7].

On one occasion, John was with two of his disciples when Jesus passed by. John commented "*Look, the Lamb of God*" [John 1: 35]. The two disciples left John and began to walk after Jesus. On seeing them, Jesus asked what they wanted. In what was a tame answer, they asked where Jesus was staying. Jesus took them there and they spent much of the day with Him. One of these disciples was Andrew, who's first task was to find his brother, Simon and tell him that they had found the Messiah and brought Simon to Jesus. [John 1: 41-42]. Jesus re-named Simon as Peter. Both Peter and Andrew became Disciples of Jesus and were numbered in the Twelve.

How do we measure up to the definition of a disciple?

Church Hall - Provisional clear up 10:00 a.m. Saturday 24th January

Thanks to those who joined in with the recent external working party. We now need to clear a way through the debris at the top of the stairs to gain access to the upstairs storage rooms.

2nd Sunday of Epiphany

Eternal Lord, our beginning and our end: bring us with the whole creation to your glory, hidden through past ages and made known in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Readings

Isaiah 49:1-7
Psalm 40:1-12
1 Corinthians 1:1-9
John 1:29-42

Readings for this week

January

18th Colossians 1: 24-29
19th Colossians 2: 1-8
20th Colossians 2: 9-15
21st Colossians 2: 16-23
22nd Proverbs 31: 10-31
23rd Jonah 1: 1-17
24th Jonah 2: 1-10
25th Jonah 3: 1-10

Prayer:

Forward any prayer requests to our Prayer Ministry team through

Carol Hunter: 07542 527 331

Prayer Square
This week we are
praying for the residents
of Darfield

Lombard Crescent
Capri Close
Bari Close
Alba Close
Rimini Rise
Marina Rise
Parma Rise

Community Shop on the Go

22nd January

Warm Welcome Space

22nd & 29th January

9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Wanted:

An items on every PCC meeting covers **Services and Activities** where previous events are reviewed and future events identified. The January meeting of the PCC identified the need for a group to assist the PCC in identifying any new activities and oversee the planning and provision of future events. If you feel that **YOU** can be a part of this group please contact **Sheila McMillan**

Resources and Contacts

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