

Thought for the day

“Your faith is so important- why not treat it to the gift of time and attention this Advent...?”

Martin Bailes

Take away /delivered Sunday lunches will be on 5th & 19th December. To order yours, please contact Louise Robinson on 705479.

Friday Christmas Lunch will be on the 17th December and this will be the final one of 2021. We will restart on the 21st January 2022.

If anyone would like a lunch on Christmas Day, please get in touch with Louise telephone number 705479. We made several last year, so it is not a problem. Greetings and best wishes to all from The Foodie Team.



Thank you to everyone who came to my sales table last Sunday and an especially big thank you to everyone who bought something. I'm delighted to say that I took a total of £90 all of which will be put into church funds. Margaret.

Advent Books are here! Please collect and settle up for your book/s at the Parish Office.

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St Edward the Confessor Church Sunday 5th December 2021 Second Sunday of Advent

Following Jesus, we are Called to be Caring, Committed and Courageous.

Hello and welcome to St Edward's.

Services

Following government guidelines our return to public worship will be a process rather than an event and we will continue to adjust our services as the wider situation with the pandemic plays out and as we learn from our experiences.

Sunday 5 th December	Second Sunday of Advent
8:30 BCP Holy Communion President: The Revd Canon Richard Carew Preacher: The Revd Dr Susan Collier 10:00 All Age Service 18:30 Holy Communion with Prayer for Healing President: The Revd Canon Richard Carew Preacher: The Revd Dr Susan Collier	<i>Malachi 3:1-4 p.904 Luke 3: 1-6 p.57</i>
Thursday 9th December 10:00am Holy Communion President: The Revd Letitia Chester Preacher: Gill Stamp	<i>Isaiah 41: 13-20 p.679 Matthew 11:11-15 p.11</i>
Sunday 12 th December	Third Sunday of Advent
8:30 Holy Communion President: The Revd Canon Richard Carew Preacher: Chris Elliott 10:00 Holy Communion President: The Revd Angela Morrison Preacher: Chris Elliott No Evening Service	<i>Zephaniah 3: 14-end p.891 Luke 3: 7-18 p.57</i>

Church Open Tuesday – Friday 9.30am – 3.00pm

Mon 6th Dec	9.00-12.00 & 1.30-4.00pm	Café Open
Tues 7th Dec	9.30-12.00 & 1.30-4.00pm	Café Open
	10.30-11.30	Little Green Rascals Nativity Rehearsal
	12.00-3.00pm	Needlecraft Christmas Lunch
Weds 8th Dec	9.30-12.00 & 1.30-4.00pm	Café Open
	12 -12.30pm	Praying in Company
	10.30-11.30	Little Green Rascals Nativity Rehearsal
	7.00-8.30pm	Youth Group
Thurs 9th Dec	9.30-12.00 & 1.30-4.00pm	Café open
	10.00am	Holy Communion
	1.30-2.30pm	Little Green Rascals Nativity Rehearsal
	7 for 7.30pm	Wisemen at Cross Keys
Fri 10th Dec	9.30-12.00	Café Open
	10.30-12.00	Little Teds
	12-2.00pm	Lunches
	6.30-7.30pm	Choir Practice

Candlelit Carol Service Sunday December 19th Place are limited and so please book a place with the Parish Office if you would like to attend.

A Time For You And A Time For God A short guided silent retreat at Wydale Hall, Sunday 23rd January 2022 pm to Thursday January 27th am. Ideal whether it is your first experience of a silent retreat or you have already discovered the gift of such a time. Leaflets at the back of church or email/talk to Susan Collier for further details and to explore if this would be helpful for you. susan.collier@mac.com

Carols at York Barbican December 12th 2.00pm. Tickets priced at £8 adult, £6 senior citizen & under 14s, £24 family ticket available from www.york.communitycarols.co.uk

Parish office revised closing time as of Monday 1st November, the Parish Office will be **closing at 4pm** Monday to Friday. Also, The office will be closed **Friday 3rd December**.

Free to a good home Dartboard set in wall cabinet scoring section and chalk and darts. Contact Angela on 07970 303912.

Fairtrade Goods for Christmas can be ordered through an email to fairerwrlld@aol.com for delivery or collection from the shop in Gillygate. **Catalogues** are available from Isabel Young or Helen Dawe. There will not be a Fairtrade Stall this year at St Edwards.

Tea Concert Thursday 9th December 2.30pm at St Chad's Church 36 Campleshon Rd, York, YO23 1EY. Choral Christmas Classical music by Ripon Resound vocal ensemble followed by tea and cakes in the Church Hall. Free entry but donations can be made. This is a Dementia friendly event; all are welcome and there is a small car park and roadside parking nearby. Disabled access via Hall. All enquiries to Nick Nightingale 01904 689742

Roof Repairs we have been advised that a welfare unit will be arriving shortly in preparation for the long awaited roof repairs to the Scout Hut, Atrium Café, Entrance Vestibule and Hall Meeting Room. Potentially only one car parking space will be required for the duration of the repairs and this will be placed just under the vestry kitchen window.

Nativity Sets There will be a display of Nativity Sets in Church from Monday 20th December until Wednesday 22nd. If you have a set which you would be willing to loan, please contact Helen Dawe on ehdawe@hotmail.co.uk or ring her on 01904 264784. Great care will be taken of them in a stewarded display and they will be returned in time for your own Christmas celebrations. We have had offers of sets from South America and Israel/Palestine but other areas are underrepresented -this includes the UK!

Praying through loss and change: 'Goodbyes will always be with us. So will hellos. Praying a goodbye can lead us to the doorway of new beginnings. A four week in person course planned for Tuesdays in January. More details soon. Depending on interest this could be afternoon or evening or both! If you are at all interested (no commitment yet) please could you let me know whether you prefer afternoon or evening. Sheet at back of church, or tell Wendy or Louise in the parish office or email me susan.collier@mac.com



Part Time Help in home required by Jim Wilson. 3-4 hours per week. Reasonable rate of pay. Call Jim on 704090 for further info.



Advent Reflections Catherine Holbrook is offering some musical Advent Reflections here: <https://joyandthankfulheart.wordpress.com/>

Sunday 5th December 2021 Second Sunday of Advent

Collect for Second Sunday of Advent

Almighty God,
purify our hearts and minds,
that when your Son Jesus Christ comes again as judge and saviour
we may be ready to receive him,
who is our Lord and our God.
Amen

Malachi 3: 1-4

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. ²But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears?

For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; ³he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. ⁴Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

Luke 3: 1-6

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, ²during the high-priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. ³He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, ⁴as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah,

'The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:

"Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.

⁵ Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth;

⁶ and all flesh shall see the salvation of God." ' "

Prayer after Communion

Father in heaven,
who sent your Son to redeem the world
and will send him again to be our judge:
give us grace so to imitate him in the humility and purity of his first coming
that, when he comes again,
we may be ready to greet him with joyful love and firm faith;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

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