

Thought for the day

“Defeat may serve as well as victory to shake the soul and let the glory out.”

Edwin Markham

Are you in need of some space? Some time to be still ? Do you have a longing that God might be more real in your life? A guided silent retreat at Wydale Hall, Monday 3rd February 4pm to Friday 7th February 10am 2025 might be for you. 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 talk to Susan Collier for further details. and to explore whether this is for you. susan.collier@mac.com

The Friends of York Minster invite you to join then for a ***‘Winter Warming Recital’*** at St Chad’s Church, Campelshon Road on Monday 17th February at 2.30pm. Tickets are £12 to include tea & cake. Tickets can be paid for on the door but for catering purposes please phone 557237.

Alpha Course – beginning Tuesday 6th May 2025 7.00 – 9.00pm running for 10 sessions. Contact Richard if you would like to join this.

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**St Edward the Confessor Church
Sunday 26th January 2025
3rd Sunday of Epiphany**

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

Hello and welcome to St Edward’s Church

Services

Sunday 26th January 2025 -3rd Sunday of Epiphany	
8.30am Holy Communion President: The Revd Mark Russell-Smith Preacher: The Revd Canon Richard Carew 10.00am Holy Communion President: The Revd Mark Russell-Smith Preacher: The Revd Canon Richard Carew 3.00pm Baptisms 6.30pm No Evening Service	<i>1 Corinthians 12: 12-31a</i> <i>Luke 4: 14-21</i>
Thursday 30th January 2025	
10.00am Holy Commuion President: The Revd Rachel Bailes Preacher Martin Bailes	<i>Hebrews 10: 19-25</i> <i>Mark 4: 21-25</i>
Sunday 2nd February 2025 - Candlemas	
8.30 BCP Holy Communion 10.00 All Age Service 6.30pm Holy Communion with Prayers for Healing	<i>Hebrews 2: 14-end</i> <i>Luke 2: 22-40</i>

Church Opening Times

Monday 27th 1.00-3.00pm, Tuesday 28th & Wednesday 29th 9.30am - 3.00pm, Thursday 30th 11.30am to 1.30pm, Friday 31st 12.30 to 3.00pm

Monday 27th Office opens 1.00pm	9.30am-12.00	Café open Closed Monday afternoon
	10.00am-12.00	Needlecraft Group
Tuesday 28th	9.30am-12.00	Café open
	1.30-4.00pm	
	10.00 – 11.00am	Exercise for Fitness & Health
	10.30-11.30am	Happy Hour
	6.15-7.15pm	Beaver Scouts in Church
	7.00-9.00pm	Grow – Diocesan Youth Group
Wednesday 29th	9.30-12.00	Café open
	1.30 – 4.00pm	
	12.00 noon	Praying in Company
	6.15-7.15pm	Beaver Scouts in Church
	7.00 – 8.30pm	Youth Group
Thursday 30th	9.30-12.00	Café open
	1.30 – 4.00pm	
	10.00	Holy Communion
	11.00-12.00	Exercise for Fitness & Health
	2.00-4.00	Women’s Fellowship Meeting & Church Service
Friday 31st	9.30-12.00	Café open
	10.30 – 12.00	Little Teds
	6.15-7.15pm	Beaver Scouts in Church

Parish Pass 2025 available from the Parish Office for anyone who would like to visit the Minster free of charge.

Lent Course – beginning Tuesday 11th March 2025 7.00 – 9.00pm running for 6 sessions. Contact Richard if you would like to join this.

Happy Hour - Volunteer Drivers Wanted! Isobel Goforth along with Helen Dobson are assisting with lifts to take 2 ladies from Woodthorpe and one from Mayfield Grove to this on Tuesdays, 10-12. If you are able & willing to

help (ideally once a month,) please contact the Parish Office. Huge thanks for the offers so far.

Bakers’ Basket Our wonderful regular Bakers would be very grateful for any contributions to the Bakers’ Basket (at the top of the internal ramp). Flour, caster sugar, dried fruit, chocolate, eggs, butter, cheese, baking margarine etc would be most welcome. Thank you in advance.

Foodbank items – if you are able to donate, here is the list of most needed items. Tinned tomatoes, packets of biscuits, Long Life Juice, UHT/Powdered milk, Instant mashed potatoes, tinned vegetarian meals, tinned soup, toilet rolls, shaving foam. Thank you.

Women’s Fellowship Meeting It will soon be time for our first 2025 meeting on January 30th at 2pm followed by a fitness session with Kate Lamb. Please bring your own tins or weights or just you to enjoy it anyway. Bring a friend if you want, everyone welcome! Thanks Louise

Flower arranging lessons are starting Saturday 1st March in the Community Hall 10.00 – 12.00 noon. Please speak to Margaret Titman if you would like to attend and learn a new skill. Tel: 708942

World day of prayer The service this year will be held at St Edward’s at 2pm on Friday 7th March.

Wine Tasting Event – Saturday 15th March 2025 at 7.15pm. Tickets will be available from the Parish Office soon! More details to follow but pop this in your diary NOW!!

A Message from the Churchwardens - Help Needed!

There are two weeks in March when we have no Parish Secretary, Caretaker, Under Caretaker or Churchwarden and so have no one to prepare the community hall/café for the day. We are looking for volunteers willing to take on an hour in the morning to clean the toilets, sweep the community hall and empty any bins in the kitchen if full. All of the relevant equipment is provided, and Mike Hewitt is happy to brief volunteers on the tasks. We just need one person per day.

The dates are:

Monday 3rd March to Friday 7th March inclusive

Monday 31st March to Friday 4th April inclusive.

We may also need some assistance in setting up rooms with tables and chairs, and if you feel this is an area than you can help, we will let you know dates and times. We are incredibly fortunate that we have the personnel who look after our spaces so well and your generosity in helping out will be really appreciated. If you feel you are able to offer an hour or help with setting up,

then please either speak to Wendy in the Parish Office or Michael and Helen in church. Many thanks. Michael and Helen

Sunday 26th January 2025 The Third Sunday of Epiphany

Introduction to Confession

The grace of God has dawned upon the world through our Saviour Jesus Christ, who sacrificed himself for us to purify a people as his own. Let us confess our sins.

cf Titus 2.11-14

Collect for Third Sunday of Epiphany

Almighty God, whose Son revealed in signs and miracles the wonder of your saving presence: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your mighty power; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

1 Corinthians 12: 12-31a

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

¹⁴ Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. ¹⁵If the foot were to say, 'Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body', that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁶And if the ear were to say, 'Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body', that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁷If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? ¹⁸But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. ¹⁹If all were a single member, where would the body be? ²⁰As it is, there are many members, yet one body. ²¹The eye cannot say to the hand, 'I have no need of you', nor again the head to the feet, 'I have no need of you.' ²²On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, ²³and those members of the body that we think less honourable we clothe with greater honour, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; ²⁴whereas our more

respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honour to the inferior member, ²⁵that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. ²⁶If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honoured, all rejoice together with it.

²⁷ Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it.

²⁸And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. ²⁹Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? ³⁰Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? ³¹But strive for the greater gifts. And I will show you a still more excellent way.

Luke 4: 14-21

Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. ¹⁵He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

¹⁶ When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, ¹⁷and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

¹⁸ 'The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,

because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor.

He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free,

¹⁹ to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour.'

²⁰And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down.

The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. ²¹Then he began to say to them, 'Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.'

Introduction to the Peace

We are the body of Christ.

In the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body.

Let us then pursue all that makes for peace and builds up our common life.

The Blessing

Christ the Son of God perfect in you the image of his glory and gladden your hearts with the good news of his kingdom;

and the blessing ...

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