

Sunday 10 th TODAY	8.30am 10.30am 12.30pm 5-7pm	Holy Communion Holy Communion Baptism service Sunday Supper	St. Stephen's St. Stephen's St. Stephen's Parish Hall
Tuesday 12 th	9-11am 2.15pm 7.30- 9pm	Squeals on Wheels (Babies & Toddlers) MU Branch Meeting Craft Evening	St. Aidan's St. Aidan's Ellis Rooms
Thursday 14 th	7-7.30am 10am	Meeting for Prayer Holy Communion	St. Aidan's St. Aidan's
Sunday 17 th 3rd Sunday before Lent	8.30am 10.30am 12.30pm 5-7pm	Holy Communion Parade/All Age Worship Baptism service Sunday Supper	St. Stephen's St. Stephen's St. Stephen's Parish Hall

PRAYING ABOUT BREXIT

God of eternal love and power,
save our Parliamentary Democracy;
protect our High Court of Parliament
and all its members from partiality and prejudice;
that they may walk the path of kindness, justice and mercy.

Give them wisdom, insight and a concern for the common good.
The weight of their calling
is too much to bear in their own strength,
therefore we pray earnestly, Father,
send them help from your Holy Place,
and be their tower of strength.

Lord, graciously hear us. Amen.

Communion readings for Sunday 17th February:

Jeremiah 17: 5-10 (Page 645) & Luke 6: 17-26 (Page 862)

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Welcome to the Church of St. Stephen and St. Aidan

News From The Pews

10th February 2019

4th Sunday before Lent



Collect

O God,
you know us to be set
in the midst of so many and great dangers,
that by reason of the frailty of our nature
we cannot always stand upright:
grant to us such strength and protection
as may support us in all dangers
and carry us through all temptations;
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**

Today's readings:

Isaiah 6:1-8 (page 571), Luke 5: 1-11 (page 860)

Post Communion

Go before us, Lord, in all we do
with your most gracious favour,
and guide us with your continual help,
that in all our works
begun, continued and ended in you,
we may glorify your holy name,
and finally by your mercy receive everlasting life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

PLEASE PRAY THIS WEEK FOR:

- **those living in:** Lown Hill.
- **Give thanks** for those being baptised at St. Stephen's today, for our Parish Away Day yesterday and for last week's Messy Church.
- **Pray for** this week's Squeals on Wheels, Mothers' Union AGM, the Youth Music group, Small (home) groups and our Abbeyfields & Vyner House congregations.

Please note that the list of those unwell will now be cleared at the end of each month. Please let the Vicar know who you would like prayed for near the start of each month, or as the month unfolds - Thanks.

NOTICES

WELCOME & MORE

- ◆ A warm welcome to all today, especially any visitors among us.
- ◆ What a good time we had last week for our 11am United Service at St. Aidan's. Over 70 came with over 55 staying for lunch!! Thank you to all who came along.
- ◆ Our small but growing Sunday School would welcome additional support from time to time. If you want to know more please talk to Sue Jones, one of the other leaders/helpers or the Vicar.

CRAFT AND COFFEE

Craft and Coffee last Saturday raised £175 for the Youth Fund and the total amount raised in 2018 was £1,677.52 - huge thanks to everyone for your support.

CRAFT EVENING

This month's Craft Evening is this coming Tuesday 12th February from 7.30 to 9pm at the Ellis Rooms, Parish Hall. Come and enjoy tea, biscuits and conversation. If you do not have a craft, come along anyway. Contact is Emily on 07473 771491.

DEMENTIA FRIENDLY TEA CONCERT

On Thursday 21st February at St. Chad's Church YO23 1EY from 2pm there will be a Dementia friendly tea concert.

FAIRTRADE STALL

There will be a Fairtrade stall at the Saturday 23rd February coffee and craft morning. On Sunday 24th February the Fairtrade stall will be at St Stephen's church ready for the 8.30 am and 10.30 am service. 'The Real Easter Egg ' chocolate eggs and the Easter Story booklet will be sold along with cleaning products, jam, marmalade etc.

PANCAKE PARTY

Tuesday 26 February, 10-12, St Aidan's. Proceeds will support the Hembury family, our Mission Partners in Hull. Please help yourself to posters/flyers.

YORK FOOD BANK

Please bring donations to either church, as the foodbank are going through their busiest time of the year. All gifts are gratefully accepted.

CHURCHWARDEN

Our Annual Meeting (28th April) is fast approaching. Who do you want to be your next Churchwarden to replace Lyndon when he steps down? Who do you want replace those finishing on PCC?

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

This takes place on Sunday 28th April. As we look to this annual gathering please be aware that Lyndon Parker is standing down as Churchwarden after 6 years. Please begin to chat to each other and pray about who you want to be your new Churchwarden and who you want to be on the PCC as every year some finish having served for 3 years and need to be replaced.

SCHOOL GOVERNORS REQUIRED AT LOCAL SCHOOLS

I'm delighted that one of our congregation will be following up Governorship with Carr Infants School on our behalf. Westfield school are also seeking to fill the position of school governor. If you are interested to consider serving in this capacity please contact Vicar Pete

YOUTH MUSIC GROUP - Following the 2 taster sessions this group is now continuing—spread the word! Next session is 5-6pm on Tuesday 12th Feb at St. Aidan's for those aged between 10-18 years old.

WINTER WARMER 2-4pm Wed 20th Feb: An AgeUK/ Westfield Ward event for over 60's, carers welcome, at Acomb Methodist Church, Front Street offering Tea, Coffee & hot chocolate, toasted tea cakes & crumpets. Winter themed Quiz, Donation £1

God of Mission

Who alone brings growth to your Church,

Send your Holy Spirit to give

Vision to our planning,

Wisdom to our actions,

Joy to our worship

And power to our witness.

Help our church to grow in numbers,

In spiritual commitment to you,

And in service to our local community,

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

