

ALL CONGREGATIONAL SERVICES ARE ON HOLD UNTIL THE LATEST LOCKDOWN IS ENDED.

St Mary's and St John's will be open for individual private prayer.

St Mary's	Sundays 2-3.	Thursdays 10-11
St John's	Sundays 2-3.	Wednesdays 10-11

Clergy can be present by appointment

At St John's we shall be ringing the church bell to mark the beginning of the individual private prayer sessions (Sunday 2pm to 3pm and Wednesday 10am to 11am) as a reminder to our local community we are praying for them.

Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, for all the benefits you have given me,
for all the pains and insults you have borne for me.

Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I ask you to come spiritually into my heart.
O most merciful redeemer, friend and brother, may I know you more clearly, love you more dearly,
and follow you more nearly, day by day. Amen.

We pray for those suffering in body, mind or spirit

Colin, Carole, Dennis & family, Sue, Alan & Ang, Syd, Mary, Toni, Karen, Craig, Louise, Andrew, Stephen, Wendy, Michael, Sarah, Donna, Stephen & Tracey, Philippa, Beryl, Alex, Krystian, Margaret, Trevor, Hilda, Nicholas, Harry, Brian, Andrew, Jimmy, Claire, Charles, Paul & Dorothy, Jacob, Jean, Barbara, Judith, Dorothy.

We pray for those who have recently died and their families

Diana Ryder, Paul Ashley Raine, Dennis Cust, Steven Horsfall, Pamela Saddington,.

From our Parish Prayer List

For all who work for our Diocese of Leeds.
For all Hospital and Prison Chaplains.
For our local Police, Ambulance and Fire Services.
For all who work in Mental Health services.

One of the ministries we offer is our prayer team who are willing to offer prayers on your behalf in a crisis situation. If you have an urgent need for prayers then please contact our Prayer Chain Coordinators, Carol on 515894 or Barry on 493884.

If you would like anyone to be added or removed from our prayer lists please contact Janice Barker 01924 503530 indigoldbhl@gmail.com

Our Licensed Lay Pastoral Ministers

Barry Hambling 01924 493884 Val Walker 01924 493174 Kath Crossley 01924 515496

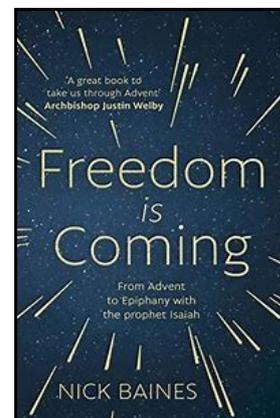
Next Sunday will be Advent Sunday - Year B begins

ADVENT BOOK STUDY.

This year we shall be looking at a book written by Nick Baines our Diocesan Bishop. The book is called "Freedom is Coming: From Advent to Epiphany with the prophet Isaiah". The study will be on line using Zoom and dates and times of the meetings will depend on who is in the group. We shall be able to run a number of groups at different times to meet a range of needs. If you are interested in this please let me know at vicarmtp@gmail.com. You will have to get a copy of the book which is easily available online as a paperback or an e-book. Even if you do not want to take part in the study we recommend this book for your own reading over Advent and there are questions in the book for personal use.

EVENING PRAYER DURING ADVENT. I shall be saying **Evening Prayer** each weekday evening at 8 pm throughout Advent, live on Facebook - it lasts about 20 minutes. If you would like to follow it, you can access the words for Evening Prayer either by downloading the Daily Prayer App or through the Church of England web site. If you would like more information or you would like to volunteer to lead Evening Prayer at any point through Advent, please get in touch.

Cindy.



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Regular Service Times

St Mary's

Church Lane, Mirfield WF14 9HX
Sunday 9.30 am Said Eucharist
with music
Wednesday 10.00am Said Communion

St John's

Upper Hopton WF14 8EL
Sunday 11.15am Said Eucharist
with music
Thursday 10.00am Said Communion

St Paul's

There are no services at St Paul's at present

The Parish Office

Team Parish Administrator

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(Please put on title MTP publicity on emails)

St Mary's Community Centre

To book the hall or meeting room contact
Lauren 01924 523540

To book a Baptism

Please fill in the on-line booking form at
<http://www.mirfieldteamparish.org.uk/baptisms>
If you need help, please phone Kath Crossley on
01924 515496. She will be happy to help you and
answer your questions.

To book a wedding

In the first instance please contact Lauren, the
Team Parish administrator mirfieldtp@gmail.com
who will then arrange to meet with you to book in
all the details of your wedding

For all aspects of MTP music:

Scott Senogles: 07900996854
scottsenogles@gmail.com

Contacts for flowers:

St Mary's Ruth Edwards: 07840 395096
raedwards@virginmedia.com

St John's Linda Hutchinson: 01924 496588

FUNDRAISING CALENDAR £8.

Please email, phone or message:

Helen Butler,
Hugh Baker,
Ann Richardson or
Helen Walker to order one.

It can be delivered to you. A great post-able
Christmas present!



THE UNIFORM EXCHANGE who provide free uniform to pupils in need across Kirklees need our help to care for families across our area this winter. They need children's winter coats for all ages and have drop off points right across Kirklees <https://www.uniform-exchange.org/donation-points/> For any further information people can contact Kate kate@uniform-exchange.org They accept donations of coats and school uniform that children have grown out of and which are in good enough condition to be passed on

Rachel (Rev Rachel Firth)

Ruth Edwards is making CHRISTMAS WREATHS again this year. Prices range from £10 to £20. Profits go towards the CCTV fund.

Contact Ruth by phone: 07840 395096



We are running a fundraising event on JUST GIVING to try to raise money for CCTV at St Mary's following the theft of more stone flags from around the tower. To find out more and donate please go to:

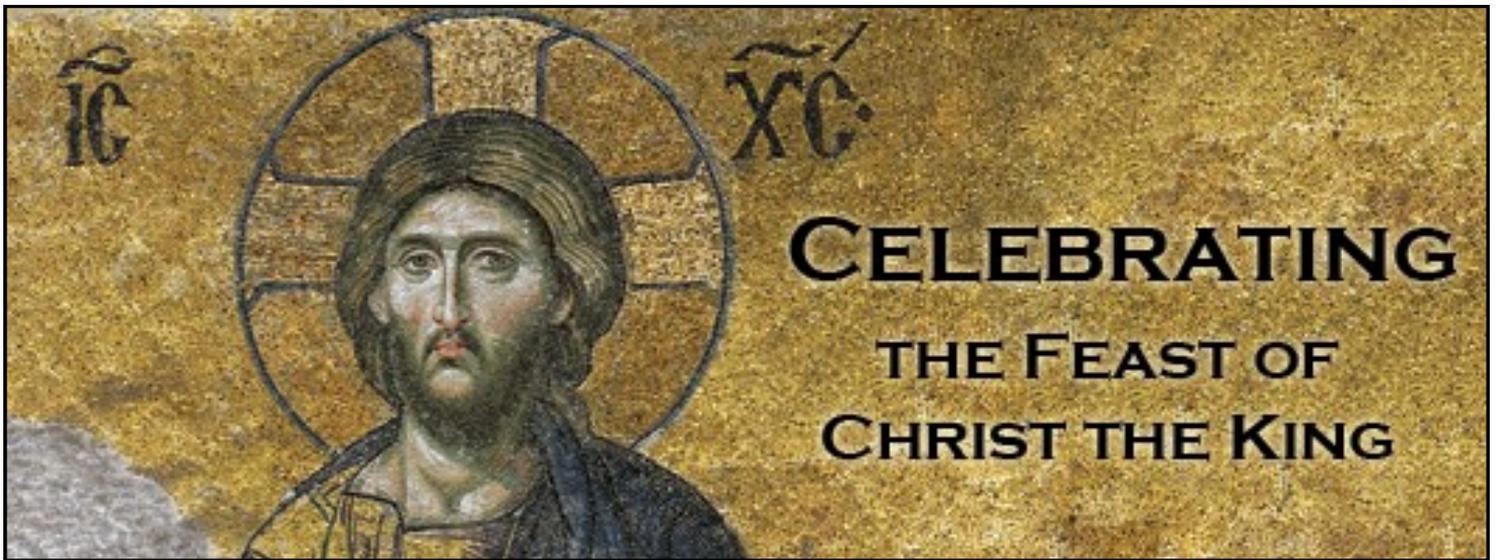
<https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/hugh-baker>

Details at the link below of a **VACANCY FOR A PROPERTY OFFICER** within the Diocese of Leeds.

<https://pathways.churchofengland.org/job/pathways/2043/property-officer>

PARISH MEDIA volunteers wanted. Now the Parish is branching out to provide services online we are looking for more volunteers to help provide this. No experience necessary. If you are interested to learn more or volunteer please contact Layla on Laylaellis@live.co.uk

MTP have been awarded a **COVID-19 EMERGENCY MISSION GRANT** of £1000 from The Diocese to fund the purchase of digital equipment to help with recording and live streaming church services.



Today's Collect and Readings

God the Father,
help us to hear the call of Christ the King
and to follow in his service, whose kingdom has no end;
for he reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, one glory.

Ephesians 1:15-23

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Matthew 25:31-46

Jesus said to his disciples: 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne

of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, "Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me." Then the righteous will answer him, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?" And the king will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me." Then he will say to those at his left hand, "You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me." Then they also will answer, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?" Then he will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me." And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.'

A MESSAGE FROM OUR CLERGY As we move into Lockdown once again it seems a good idea to remind everyone that the Clergy always offer access for people to phone them for a chat or to ask for a time of shared prayer together. A number of people already do this but as we move into a time when phone contact is one of the few easily available forms then we feel it right that we encourage more to try this. As we can't guarantee that any of the clergy will be available to chat the minute you phone them (although you may be lucky) we feel that we need to set up an easy way to fix a time when they are available.

So, if you would like a chat or have a time of prayer, in the first instance can you phone or email Hugh to book a time with either him or Helen or Cindy and we can sort it out from there.

Hugh can be contacted on 01924 505790 or 07972107146 or vicarmtp@gmail.com

We look forward to hearing from you.

With every blessing.

Hugh, Helen and Cindy.

PARISH MAGAZINE

July/August and December/January magazines have been sent away for printing and hopefully will be delivered by next weekend.

As always, thanks for your support.