

Holy Trinity Wentworth and Harley Mission

Our vision: to be a church at the heart of the community
Living in Christ | Growing in faith | Transforming in love.



CHURCH NEWS

Prayer For The Week

Almighty God,
as we prepare with joy
to celebrate the gift of the Christ-child,
embrace the earth with your glory
and be for us a living hope
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Christmas Eve Services

This year our **Christmas Eve** crib services will be **starting at the earlier times of 4pm and 5.15pm**. We hope that this will help spread the numbers more evenly across the two services. These are our busiest services of the year – over 600 people attended last year – and we need to have a good number of stewards to ensure that everyone is kept safe. **If you could help**, please speak to our churchwarden Lissa, our verger Lis, or our Health and Safety officer Vanessa. Parking around the church is reserved for people with mobility difficulties. Please park in one of the village car parks if you can. As usual, after the crib services we will hold a collection for children’s charities. This year the money will be shared between Rotherham Hospice’s Sunbeams Charity (supporting children and teens who have experienced bereavement), and Toybox (an international charity supporting street children).



What’s On

Sunday 21 December <i>Fourth Sunday of Advent</i>	9.30am	Holy Communion, Harley
	10.45am	Service of Readings and Carols, Wentworth
Tuesday 23 December	10.30am	Morning Prayer Wentworth <i>Followed by refreshments</i>
Wednesday 24 December <i>Christmas Eve</i>	4pm and 5.15pm	Crib Service by Candlelight
Sunday 25 December <i>Christmas Day</i>	10.45am	Holy Communion, Wentworth
Sunday 28 December <i>1st Sunday of Christmas</i>	10.45am	Holy Communion, Wentworth
Sunday 4 January <i>Epiphany</i>	9.30am	Holy Communion, Harley
	10.45am	Holy Communion, Wentworth
Monday 5 January	10.30am	Tea and Toast Club, Wentworth Village Tea Room
Tuesday 6 January	10.30am	Morning Prayer Wentworth <i>Followed by refreshments</i>
Sunday 11 January <i>Plough Sunday</i>	10.45am	All Age Worship, Wentworth
Tuesday 13 January	10.30am	Morning Prayer Wentworth <i>Followed by refreshments</i>
	7.45pm	Romans Course, Session 6 Wentworth Mechanics Institute
Thursday 15 January	7.30pm	Parochial Church Council, Church
Sunday 18 January	9.30am	Holy Communion, Harley
	10.45am	Holy Communion, Wentworth
Monday 19 th January	10.30am	Tea and Toast Club, Wentworth Village Tea Room

Please note that to give our team a well-earned break,
there will be no service of Morning Prayer on
Tuesday 30 December.
We look forward to seeing you again on 6 January.

Share the Joy of Christmas

The Church of England's theme this Christmas revolves around a single word: joy! It invites us to reflect on the "good news of great joy" that the angel declared to the shepherds – the news of Jesus' birth as Emmanuel (God with us). Books of short meditations on the *Twelve Joys of Christmas* are available in church (a donation of £1 per copy would be appreciated). You can also receive the reflections by email or via an app. More information here.



Church Christmas Card

Many people are trying to reduce the number of Christmas cards they send to save costs and help the environment. For those who wish, there is a joint Christmas card to sign to the whole church. You may wish to make a donation to a charity or contribute to our Christmas Eve collection for children's charities instead.

Make a New Start this January

If you have got questions about life and the Christian faith, then maybe it's time to make a *Start*. *Start* is a 6-week interactive course which explores some of life's big questions such as "Is there a God?" and "If there is a God can I know him?". It is suitable for those who are exploring Christianity for the first time and those who need a refresher. It is ideal for those who are preparing for baptism and confirmation. The *Start* Course is normally run in groups of about 6-people, and each session involves video clips, exercises, discussion and time for reflection. Sessions last about an hour and it's free to attend. Keith and Janet Hale will be running the course at their home in Hoyland on a weekday evening in January (dates to be confirmed). Places are limited so please speak to Keith, Janet or Marie to sign up.

Romans Course

The Romans Course is taking a break for Christmas but will be back on Tuesday 13th January at 7.45 when our theme will be Hope in God's Promises.

Wentworth Calendar

Have you bought your Wentworth Calendar yet? Priced just £5 it makes a fantastic gift for others and for yourself. All money raised goes to support our work here.

Thank You

Thank you for being part of the life of our church this year: for your presence, your prayers, your generosity and for all that you have contributed. Thank you especially to those who have worked hard to ensure that our Christmas celebrations are a success. May you and all those you love, know the peace of the Christ child this Christmas time. Every blessing, *Marie*

Giving to Wentworth Church

If you would like to support our ministry by giving financially you can make a one-off gift or set up a regular donation via the Parish Giving Scheme. More information here.



Diocesan Vision Prayer

Living God, Jesus calls his followers to seek first your Kingdom. Renew us as we make your love known; release us to share freely together in mission; and rejuvenate us to be fruitful in your service. Give us courage, wisdom and compassion, that strengthened with the grace of the Holy Spirit, we may, as the Diocese of Sheffield, both flourish and grow through Christ our Lord. Amen

Newsletter Contributions

The next news sheet will be out on
18th January

Items for inclusion need to be with Rev Marie
by Sunday 11th January

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