

# Welcome to St. John's in Farsley

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December – First Sunday of Advent

## This Sunday

**8:30am Holy Communion – Online Worship**

Watch online at [www.stjohnsfarsley.org.uk/our-services/recorded-services/](http://www.stjohnsfarsley.org.uk/our-services/recorded-services/)

**8.30am Holy Communion**

**10.30am Morning Worship and Sunday School** - Andy Muckle from St Georges Crypt will be preaching

## Reading

1 Corinthians 1. 3-9 and Mark 13. 24-37

## Collect

Almighty God,  
as your kingdom dawns,  
turn us from the darkness of sin to the  
light of holiness, that we may be ready to meet you  
in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen

## Diary for the week

### Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December

**6pm Brownies afterwards 8pm Guides**

**7.30pm PCC Meeting**

### Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December

**10am-11.30am Babies and Toddler Group**

### Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December

**6pm Rainbows**

### Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December

**10am-12pm Pudsey Community Project Donations**

### Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December

**10am-12pm Coffee Morning**

**7pm Quiz Night** - hosted by Eileen, Neil and Helen.  
This is a pay as you feel event with donations going  
towards the Church Heating Fund

### Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> December

**10am-12pm Sunflower Café**

## Next Sunday

**10<sup>th</sup> December** – Second Sunday of Advent

**8.30am Holy Communion – online worship**

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**10.30am Holy Communion Toy Service and Sunday School** - new toys that will be donated to St Georges Crypt, who will pass on to children to make sure all get a gift at Christmas.

## Readings

2 Peter 3. 8-15a and Mark 1. 1-8

## Notices

### Christmas Services;

**17.12.23** – 10.30am Nativity Service with donkeys and Carols by Candlelight Service 6.30pm

**24.12.23** – Christingle Services 4pm & 5pm and Christmas Eve Service 11.30pm

**25.12.23** – 10.30am Christmas Day Service

### Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December Carol Singing

Meeting at the church hall 6.25pm to then go singing at the nursing home and pubs.

### Christingle Making Volunteers

We need volunteers to make the Christingles on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December 10am during Friday Coffee. If you would like to help please see Lorna or Alan.

Boxes – if you have a box that you could bring with you for the finished Christingles that would be great.

**Regular giving** - Our church relies on regular donations to finance our activities and events. Talking about money, 2 Corinthians 9:7 says "Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." For information on how to set up a direct debit or make a one-off donation, please visit <https://stjohnsfarsley.org.uk/donate>



Or use the QR code

### Dates for your dairies;

**Prayer-time (1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday)** – 15<sup>th</sup> December 11am-12pm

**Sunflower Café (3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday)** – 27<sup>th</sup> January 10am-12pm

**Bereavement Group (4<sup>th</sup> Friday)** – 22<sup>nd</sup> December 11am-12pm

**Parish Lunch (4<sup>th</sup> Sunday)** – 28<sup>th</sup> January 12.15pm

## Contacts

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