

Sunday 11th January 2026

THE BAPTISM OF CHRIST

The First Sunday after Epiphany



Collect for the Week

Heavenly Father
at the Jordan you revealed Jesus as your Son
may we recognise him as our Lord
and know ourselves to be your beloved children:
through Jesus Christ our Saviour

Please note that there will not be any 8:00 am BCP Communion in January.

10.00 am Parish Eucharist (CW)

President & Preacher: Reverend Nicholas Burton

10.00 am Family Service at the Church Centre + Zoom

Lead: Wendy Anderson Link: Viv Littlechild

Hymns	Spirit of God Servant King In Christ alone The Spirit lives to set us free
Reading:	Acts 10. 34 - 43 (NIV page 1104)

6.30 pm Choral Evensong (BCP)

Minister: Tim Harrold

Introit Anthem: A Maiden most gentle – Andrew Carter

Hymn: NEH 49 Brightest and best of the sons of the morning

Responses: Smith 5 part

Psalm: 61

1st Reading: Joshua 3. 1 – 8 and 14 – end (NRSV page 208)
Tony Johnson

Magnificat: Sumsion in G

2nd Reading: Hebrews 1. 1 – 12 (NRSV page 233) Brad Collins

Nunc Dimittis: Sumsion in G

Anthem: When Jesus, our Lord – Felix Mendelssohn

Hymn: NEH 52 O Worship the Lord in the beauty of Holiness

Amen: Rutter

THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY 12th January *Aelred of Hexham, Abbot of Rievaulx 1167*
Benedict Biscop, Abbot of Wearmouth. Scholar 689

10.00 am Church at the Church Centre open for private prayer

TUESDAY 13th *Hilary, Bishop of Poitiers, teacher of the faith, 367*
Kentigern (Mungo), missionary bishop in Strathclyde and Cumbria 603
George Fox, founder of the Society of Friends (the Quakers), 1691

Parish Office closed

WEDNESDAY 14th

10.00 am Church at the Church Centre open for private prayer
3.00 pm Communion at Chamberlain Court - Lois Woodhouse

THURSDAY 15th

10.00 am Church at the Church Centre open for private prayer
12.30 pm Lunch Club at the Church Centre

FRIDAY 16th

10.00 am Church at the Church Centre open for private prayer
12.30 pm Community Larder at the Church Centre
6.30 pm Junior Choir practice
7.30 pm Full Choir practice

SATURDAY 17th *Antony of Egypt, hermit, abbot, 356*
Charles Gore, bishop, founder of the Community of the Resurrection, 1932

9.45 am – 4.15 pm RSCM Exams at the Parish Church
10.00 am – 4.00 pm Choristers Café **closed** - RSCM examinations

NEXT SUNDAY 18th January **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity**

The Second Sunday of the Epiphany

10.00 am Parish Eucharist (CW)
President: Rev. Nicholas Burton Minister & Preacher: Tim Harrold
10.00 am Family Service at the Church Centre + Zoom
Lead: Liz Goddard Link: Jean Kerr
6.30 pm Evensong (BCP)
Minister: Tim Harrold Preacher: Daphne Pilcher

NEWS AND NOTES

Car Parking at the Parish Church

Some of you will be aware that we had problems with the car parking over Christmas.

The PCC have decided that it would be good if we could have somebody to direct the traffic when we have large attendances at certain services, such as Christmas, Harvest Festival and Remembrance Sunday.

If anybody is interested in helping with this, please contact May or Chris.

Family Service Meeting Sunday 11th January 2026

The Family Service will be holding a meeting at the Church Centre at 11.00 am.

Recycling Christmas Cards

We will be providing a box at both Churches for the annual collection of your Christmas cards once they have been taken down. **Please cut off the front cover beforehand if you can.**

They will all go to the Anglican Church of St Thomas Beckett in Hamburg, Germany where they will be recycled beautifully (you can't see the joint) and sold good as new to the ex-pat community in Hamburg for the funds of St Thomas Church. Thank you, Tony Rutherford

Holocaust Memorial Day – Tuesday 27th January

We will once again be observing this with a service at 8 pm in the Parish Church. Please put it in your diary.

Chorister's Café

Family Service is running the Café this Sunday. Please pop along to enjoy a hot beverage in this cold weather.

Westminster Abbey

We have secured four tickets which provide free entry to Westminster Abbey. They can be used multiple times in a 12 month period. If anyone would like to make use of these tickets and visit this beautiful building, then please see Tim Harrold.

Church Youth Council

The first meeting of the CYC is on 5th February 2026. The CYC will be exploring the topic 'MEET YOUR ANCESTORS! The Earth Story, Human Story told through fossils and skulls! Sandy Elsworth will be speaking on this crucial topic. Please contact Angela Culley email culley.angela@yahoo.com or Jean Kerr email jeak4000@gmail.com



The Altar Flowers

are given today by Pat and Tim Cripps
In memory of much loved members of our
family, sadly no longer with us.

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