

**The Parish of St Mary the Virgin, Nunthorpe**  
**Sunday December 1<sup>st</sup>, Advent 1**

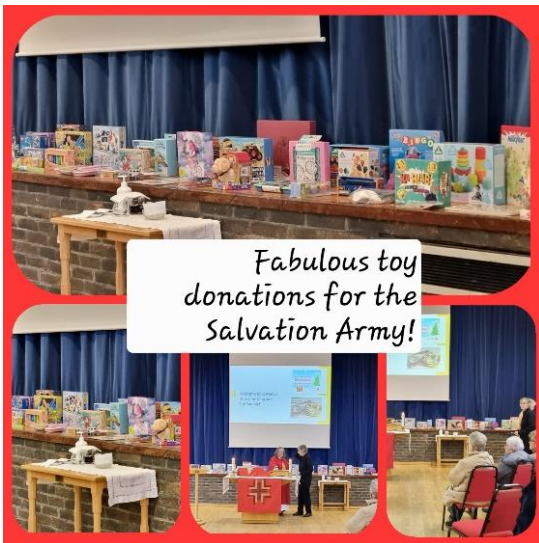
9:30 am Café Church Hall  
 10:00 am Eucharist Church  
 11:45 am Baptism Church  
 3.00 pm Baby Memorial Service Hall  
 3.30 pm Masonic Carol Service Church  
 5.30 pm Eucharist Church  
**Evening readings:** Mic.4:1-4,6-7. Rom.13:8-14.  
 Matt.21:1-13.

This week in the parish		
Tues 3 <sup>rd</sup> Dec 2 pm	MU Advent Service	Church
Wed 4 <sup>th</sup> Dec 10 am	Eucharist	Church
Thu 5 <sup>th</sup> Dec 10 am	Pram Service	Hall

Aumbry Candle	
The Aumbry Candle has been sponsored by Gill Hughes in loving memory of Tom and Pat Hughes	

**MU Advent Service: Women of the Nativity.** Do come and join us on Tuesday at 2 pm in Church for a reflective start to Advent.

**Toy Service:** All the toys donated have been distributed to the Salvation Army at Eston and the Citadel in Middlesbrough. They have asked me to express their sincere gratitude to everyone who donated so generously. These toys will be passed on to those children in their areas who are in desperate need. They wish everyone a very Happy and Blessed Christmas. *Christine.*



*Fabulous toy donations for the Salvation Army!*

**Christingle:** Next Sunday (8<sup>th</sup> December) sees our annual Christingle Service in church at 4.00 pm. All are welcome to celebrate with us!

**Angels Among Us:** You are invited to a Deanery Gathering with Bishop Barry on Monday, 9<sup>th</sup> December, 7.00 pm for 7.30, at St. Francis of Assisi Church, Ingleby Barwick. There will be a service and a chance to ask questions of the new Bishop of Whitby – please submit questions before 1 pm on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December to [stokesleydeanery@outlook.com](mailto:stokesleydeanery@outlook.com)

**Urgent Appeal: 100 Club:** Last year the 100 club raised £660 for church funds and we intend to continue for another year. If you wish to continue, or to join, the cost is £12. Please contact me or any SET member as soon as possible. *John Cundall.*

**Safeguarding Survey:** Worshipers, parishioners and church members together with children and young people, and victims and survivors of abuse throughout the Church of England are invited to take part in an independent safeguarding audit commissioned by the national church. You will find the survey at <https://inege.com/churchofengland/york>; it's open now, and will continue until 11.30pm on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2025.

**For prayer and reflection this week**

**This Sunday, the Diocese of York prays:**

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

We also pray for the Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan.

**Those seeking comfort and healing, or who have requested prayer:**

**We pray for** Joan L, Stephanie C, Helen B, Madge M, Basil E, Marie H, Beryl L, Vera C, Liz B, Jess, Evelyn & Keith B, Janet J, Merrik B, Mary H, Jenny H-J, Brian D, Diana W, and Amy R.

**We pray for** Clemmie Hartley who is being baptised today, asking that God will bless her and her family as she is welcomed into the church.

**We pray for** Lucinda, Max and the Pollard family as they prepare for Richard's funeral on December 5<sup>th</sup> at Stockton Crematorium.

**Years Mind:** We remember with thanksgiving: Thomas Lowther, William Brooks, Bernice Walton, Charles Dobson, William Jowett, Joseph Carney, Amy Dear, Colin Simpson, Dorothy Jones, Olive Onions, John Redshaw, Melvyn Armstrong, Maureen Smith, Jean Hunter, Frances Ball, Zenon Zoryk, Mary Hawkins, Martha Atkinson, Marjorie Ayre, Percy Eccles, David Peace, Cicely Henwood, Irene McCann, Noel Williams, and Charmaine Nettleton. May all whom we remember rest in peace and rise in glory!

**Next Sunday:**

**Sunday December 8<sup>th</sup>, Advent 2**

10:00 am Eucharist Church  
 4:00 pm Christingle Church

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