

Denholme Shared Church



A partnership between the Baptist Church, the Church of England and the United Reformed Church Three traditions One Faith

Newsletter for 23rd February 2025 Communion Service at 10.30 am led by Revd Richard Burge

Midweek Services on Wednesday

10.00am BCP Eucharist at Cullingworth 2.30pm Prayer and Cake at Harden

PLEASE NOTE: There will be a Congregational Meeting today directly after the service at 11.30 am.

LITTLE STARS returns Friday, 28th February, 9.15-11.15 am

Lots of play and craft activities for babies and toddlers with a snack for the children. All welcome, parents, grandparents, carers. Come along for a cuppa and a chat.

Meet and Eat — Next Sunday, 2nd March 3.00 — 6.00 pm. Meal served at 4.00 p.m.

at Denholme Shared Church. Two course home made meal including veggie option.

It would be helpful for numbers if you would confirm with Janice if you will be coming along but booking isn't essential.



Warm Spaces will also be taking place tomorrow, Monday, 12.00 noon at St Matthew's, Wilsden, Tuesday 12.00 noon at St Saviour's, Harden and Wednesday 12.00 noon at St John's, Cullingworth.

Warm spaces with a warm welcome!

Quote of the week: "To forgive is to set a prisoner free and to discover the prisoner was you." Corrie Ten Boom

LENT 2025

Ash Wednesday this year will be on Wednesday 5th March, beginning our journey towards Holy Week and Easter Day on Sunday 20th April.

During Lent we will be holding our Lent course on Thursday mornings, 10.30 am to 12noon at Denholme Shared Church and Thursday evenings, 7.00pm to 8.30pm at St John's, Cullingworth. Our Lent course will follow a resource called:

"Let me go there: The Spirit of Lent" which is a course written by Paula Gooder.

Copies are available for £8.99

and over the 96 days from Ash Wednesday to Pentecost Sunday Richard will be reading all four Gospels on our Benefice Facebook Page and YouTube Channel.



We're working towards achieving the Eco Church Gold award. Its not just the church building where a difference can be made; we all need to think about our personal use

of resources and how they could be improved. Thinking about the following may help:

Try to use Fairtrade and/or ethically sourced goods;

Buy locally produced food;

Try to use green electric/gas suppliers

Every little action really makes a difference!

The Bluebird Singers Concert at St Michaels Church, Cottingley Community Centre

Saturday 15 March 2025 7:30 – 9:00pm, £10 pp including refreshments & humorous interludes

Tickets are available from Revd Richard or "on the door"

NEW BENEFICE DOMINO CHAMPION

The Benefice Men's Group met on Wednesday at St Matthew's Church. This month saw the staging of the 2025 Benefice Men's Group Domino Competition. There were fifteen competitors. Four semi-finalists rose



to the top in the tightly contested group stage. Following a meal break to enjoy great food from the Bengal Curry House next door to the church, the semi-finalists battled for the opportunity of glory in the final. Ian "Mighty" Maitland and Stuart "The Power" Pickersgill both won against the odds, beating the two group winners to claim their place in what became an epic final. Ian took an early lead, only to see the momentum swing towards Stuart who levelled the scores to take the final to a deciding hand. Stuart then delivered the title-winning tile to take the trophy. Last year's winner, David "Dynamite" Overend made the presentation. The Men's group will be meeting again in April to contend for the Darts Trophy!

Looking for new fabulous holiday options?
HolyHols is a Christian organisation that enables Christians who own holiday properties to make them available to other Christians. Maybe look at exploring somewhere different!
www.holyhols.co.uk

DONATIONS FOR REFRESHMENTS

Donations for refreshments are forwarded to a chosen charity each month. This month we're supporting Jesus Shaped People.



PRAYER REQUESTS TO: say14me@hotmail.com

Please keep praying for Peace in Sudan

Remember that prayer is powerful! Try using the following as a guide or addition to your prayers:

- Faith leaders worldwide, especially our own Ministry Team who guide and shape our worship;
- our work with young people as Little Stars resumes on Friday;
- our council leaders, local MPs and those in positions of political influence;
- reconciliation in places of conflict, within us and around us;
- for a willingness to engage in lowering our own personal carbon footprints;
- for those battling trauma and anxiety;
- the bereaved and those facing painful anniversaries.



Denholme Shared Church is a partnership of three denominations; Baptist, Church of England and the United Reformed Church.

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The Church is also part of the Benefice of Harden, Wilsden, Cullingworth and Denholme

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(Days off: Richard – Saturday; Alison Thursday, Friday, Saturday,

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Donations or Regular Giving – a plate is provided for donations or envelopes during our services. You can also send your gift to Denholme Shared Church Sort Code 30-63-55, account number 56734560 but please include your name as a reference or we will be unable to thank you. Cheques can be sent to the Treasurer c/o Denholme Shared Church (address above)