The Parish of St Mary the Virgin, Nunthorpe

30th November, Advent 1

10:00 am Eucharist and Baptism Church 3:30 pm Masonic Carol Service Church 5:30 pm Evensong Church Evening readings: Ps. 9 (or 9:1-8). Isa.52:1-12. Matt.24:15-28.

This week in the Parish:		
Tues 2 nd Dec 10:30 am	Funeral	Church
Wed 3 rd Dec 10:00 am	Eucharist	Church
We 3 rd Dec 2;00 pm	MU Advent Service	Church
Thu 4 th Dec 10:00 am	Pram Service	Hall

The funeral of Derek Johnson will be held in church at 10:30 am on Tuesday, 3rd December.

Aumbry Candle

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

The annual Christmas Service of Remembrance for those who have lost a baby or a child will take place at the Hall on Sunday 7th December, 3:00- 5:00 pm with refreshments afterwards.

This week's **Wednesday morning Eucharist** will be taken by the Revd. Alison Phillipson and the **Mothers' Union Advent Service** on Wednesday afternoon by the Revd. Paul Peverell.



Christingle Service:

Our Christingle will take place on Sunday 7th December at 4:00 pm in church. We will be raising funds for the Children's Society. Everyone is welcome!

Toy Service – many thanks to everyone who donated toys. There were more than ever this year. David and I delivered them to the Salvation Army at Eston and the Citadel in Middlesbrough. They were delighted and have even more families this year who will benefit. Hopefully they will put a smile on the faces of the children who receive them. *Christine*.

Join the Choir for Christmas: Do you love to sing? Do you love Christmas? Then why not join the choir for our carol service! The service will be on Sunday 21st December at 5.30 with rehearsals on Friday 5th December at 6:30, Friday 12th December at 5:00, and Monday 15th December at 6:00, We will also need singers for Midnight Mass at 9 pm on 24th December to swell the singing. To find out more, contact Graham Hinton or Andy Devine.

Children's Society Box Collections: we have completed the House Box collections for 2025. Thanks to the generosity of the box holders we have been able to send £1106 for the work of the Society. In the last 10 years the box holders in this parish hae given an amazing amount of £12,710 to the Children's Society. *Edith Dobson.*

100 Club: Your November winners are: 1st – Robert Opala (34) 2nd – John Cundall (35) 3rd –Barry Glover (110) 4th – Rebecca Jones (42).

For prayer and reflection this week:

Today, the Diocese of York prays:

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.

We pray for the Anglican Church in Australia. Please also pray for the parish of St. Nicholas, Guisborough.

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

We pray for Doris L, Becky, Edytha B, Joan L, Stephanie C, Madge M, Basil E, Marie H, Jess, Evelyn & Keith B, Mary H, Diana W, and Amy R.

We give thanks for the life of Derek Johnson and we pray for Ann, Gavin and Lucy and all his family and friends as they prepare for his funeral on Tuesday.

We remember Vera Charlton and Margaret Turner following their funerals this week, and we pray that their family and friends may be comforted.

We pray for Gemma Castle who is being baptised today, asking that God will bless her as we welcome her into the church.

Years Mind: We remember with thanksgiving: Thomas Connelly, Neil Mariner, Ruth Wray, 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, and Marjorie Ayre. May all whom we remember rest in peace and rise in glory!

Next Sunday:

7th December, Advent 2 9:30 am Café Church Hall 10:00 am **Eucharist** Church 11:45 am **Baptism** Church **Baby Memorial** 3:00 pm Hall 4:00 pm Christingle Church

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