



ST. LAURENCE'S CHURCH, SCALBY

**Building together a community of faith
that reaches out with God's love –
in Jesus' name.**



PRAYER-CREATIVITY-INVITATION-LEARNING-JOY-SERVING

Week beginning: Sunday 14th December 2025

Hello and Welcome

World



- ❖ Resolution to the conflict on the Thai-Cambodian border.
- ❖ Young people worldwide as guidelines on social media usage are considered.
- ❖ Nigeria as it deals with the fallout of the recent abductions.
- ❖ Progress in resolving the Ukraine war and for the US and European diplomatic teams.

Church and Community

- ❖ Our schools entering the final week of the term – for the staff and pupils at a demanding stage of the year with extra events including carol services here.
- ❖ Our Festival Singers meeting for the final rehearsals for our church Carol Services.
- ❖ Our welcomers as they do a vital job together at all of our Christmas Services.
- ❖ Our flower team decorating the church for Christmas.
- ❖ Hospitality businesses in Scalby at this busy season.
- ❖ Scarborough hospital coping with winter demands.

Individuals

- ❖ Kate McClean, Margery Pindar, Aline Croskin, Sarah Eade, James Trueman, Janet Newell and all those known personally to us who need our prayers.
- ❖ Rosie Coles being ordained Deacon this weekend at Emmanuel Bridlington and being welcomed here later.
- ❖ Azaria and David, having shared the lovely news of a baby expected next May.
- ❖ The family and friends of Robert Frith.
- ❖ Win Maung, Suzie and John and friends attending Maggie's funeral on 15th.



Church Services today and next week

Sunday 14th December **3rd Sunday of Advent**

8.00am	Holy Communion	Bishop David Wilbourne
10.00am	Rosie's Ordination	Emmanuel Church, Bridlington
10.30am	Holy Communion	Revd Stephen Walker
Collect:	God for whom we watch and wait, you sent John the Baptist to prepare the way of your Son: give us courage to speak the truth, to hunger for justice, and to suffer for the cause of right, with Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.	
Readings:	James 5:7-10 & Matthew 11:2-11	

Monday 15th December

1.00pm	Funeral of Maggie Win-Maung	Revd Marion Wright
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Tuesday 16th December

8.30am	Morning Prayer	Revd Marion Wright
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Thursday 18th December

8.30am	Morning Prayer	Revd Marion Wright
10.30am	Prayer in the Parish	Tony Shaw & Kevin Boak

Sunday 21st December **4th Sunday of Advent**

8.00am	Holy Communion	Revd Tony Hand
10.30am	Building Together Preacher	Revd Tony Hand Kevin Boak
Readings:	Isaiah 7:10-16 & Matthew 1:18-end	
4.00pm	Carol Service (Handbells from 3.30pm)	
6.30pm	Carol Service (Handbells from 6pm)	

WHAT'S HAPPENING NEXT WEEK:

15.12.25	10.00am	Little Steps	Church Rooms
	1.00pm	Funeral of Maggie Win-Maung	Church
16.12.25	8.30am	Morning Prayer	Church
17.12.25	2.00pm	Christmas Chat & Chuckle	Webb Ellis Court
18.12.25	8.15am	Morning Prayer	Church
	10.30am	Prayer in the Parish	Church
21.12.25	8.00am	Holy Communion	Church
	10.30am	Building Together	Church
	3.30pm	Handbells	Church
	4.00pm	Carol Service	Church
	6.00pm	Handbells	Church
	6.30pm	Carol Service	Church

THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

The Children's Society are a national charity, working with young people to counsel and support them through their most serious life challenges. Their work is the focus of our Mission throughout December. During this month, you will find Society envelopes in the pews to allow you to make a donation. Alternatively, you can join us at our Christingle services on Christmas Eve, 24th Dec, where the collections will go towards supporting their work. Envelopes can be returned directly to Hilary Wallace, via the church plate at any service during December or at the Christingle Service on Christmas Eve. Please give generously.



*** Note the changes to the times of the services – 2.30pm & 4.30pm.**

*** Doors will open half an hour before the service starts.**

ADVENT RESOURCES

For over 1000 years Christians have prepared to celebrate the birth of Christ with the Advent Antiphons. These are prayers calling God to come as our teacher and deliverer using the biblical titles for Christ on which the hymn O come, O come Emmanuel is based.

You can access these through the Everyday Faith App (free to download). Read or listen to the reflections as a way of connecting with God each day. It will only take 5 minutes or as long you like.

cofe.io/Everyday Faith App.

There are books suitable for reading this season on the library bookshelves in the Hall- on the shelf marked Advent.

ROSIE'S ORDINATION

Rosie's ordination is taking place at Emmanuel Church, Bridlington at 10am on Sunday 14th December. All are welcome to attend.

Everyone is invited to a gathering at St. Laurence's Church Rooms at 4.00pm on Sunday 14th December to welcome Revd Rosie Coles into her new ministry as Deacon and Curate at St. Laurence's Scalby alongside supporting the ministry of Revd Tony Hand as vicar for St. Peter's Hackness with St. Margaret's Harwood Dale. Light refreshments will be served.

We are expecting the service at Emmanuel Church Bridlington at which Rosie will be ordained by Bishop Eleanor (Bishop of Hull) to be live-streamed on the church's Facebook page - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/121943914670722>

WREATH MAKING

A reminder that we will be having our wreath making workshop on Wednesday 17th December, 1.30-3.30pm, and we will be decorating the church on Saturday 20th December, 9.00-11.30am.

CHRISTMAS CHAT & CHUCKLE

Christmas Chat & Chuckle is taking place on Wednesday 17th December 2-4pm at Webb Ellis Court (the old Rugby Club, Scalby Road). It will be an entertaining afternoon with carols and readings. Refreshments will also be served. Everyone is welcome.



SERVICES & EVENT FOR CHRISTMAS AT ST. LAURENCE'S, ST. PETER'S, ST. MARGARET'S & SCALBY METHODISTS

A big thank you to the 61 deliverers and several 4 legged friends who delivered the Christmas Services leaflet around the whole parish again this year and in all weathers too! You are super heroes! (waterproof capes needed though).

If you live outside our parish boundary these leaflets can be obtained from the back of church, the Church Rooms, the Rugby Club, the Library and the Nags Head pub. Helen

OFFICE HOURS FOR NEXT WEEK

Wednesday 17th December	9.30am – 12noon
Friday 19th December	9.30am – 12noon

We ask that you contact Sarah to arrange to pop into the office on 01723 364858 or via email office@stlaurencescalby.org.uk.

