

GRADUAL HYMN to the tune of 'O little town of Bethlehem'

A glory fills the midnight sky
And splendours blaze abroad,
A herald sent from God on high,
An angel of the Lord;
The shepherds tremble at his voice
and terror-struck are dumb,
But at his news let earth rejoice,
Her promised King has come.

And in the east a shining star,
A portent to the wise,
Will lead the Magi from afar
To where the Saviour lies;
For each has come a King to see
And each his treasure brings
To where, enthroned on Mary's knee,
They find the King of Kings.

This homeless child to shepherds shown,
And infant king new-born,
Has come to make a cross his throne,
His crown a crown of thorn;
The Son of God to save us all,
To bear our earthly pains,
This child within the cattle stall
As King of glory reigns!

Timothy Dudley-Smith (born 1926)

FOOD BANK

Please help local people
in crisis by buying items
from the list below and



placing them in the box at the back of
church: long life milk, sugar, fruit juice,
cereals, pasta sauces, tinned vegetables,
tea bags, instant coffee, instant mashed
potato, tinned meat and fish, jam, snack
bars or biscuits, toothpaste and toilet
rolls. Thank you for your support.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY: Satur-
day 23rd March for training on
"Talking Jesus". More info next week.

FINAL HYMN

The first Nowell the angel did say
was to Bethlehem's shepherds
in fields as they lay;
in fields where they lay keeping their sheep
on a cold winter's night that was so deep

Chorus
Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell,
born is the King of Israel!

Then wise men from a country far
looked up and saw a guiding star;
they travelled on by night and day
to reach the place where Jesus lay:
Chorus

At Bethlehem they entered in,
on bended knee they worshipped him;
they offered there in his presence
their gold and myrrh and frankincense:
Chorus

Then let us all with one accord
sing praises to our heavenly Lord;
for Christ has our salvation wrought
and with his blood our life has bought:
Chorus

Traditional, adapted Michael A Perry (1942-
1996) Words © in this version Word & Music
Jubilate Hymns.

DATE FOR YOUR NEW DIARY

There will be a meeting on Wednesday
30th January at 7 pm at the Vicarage to
plan fund-raising and social events for
2019. All welcome, especially if you have
some fresh ideas.

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**6 January
2019**

EPIPHANY



St Michael's Church, Malton

The Church in the Market Place

Welcome to our services today

We welcome to Communion all baptized Christians.
Coffee is served after the Parish Communion service;
please stay for this and, if you are new to St Michael's,
make yourself known to us.

TODAY'S SERVICES

9.30 a.m. Parish Communion - All Age

President & Preacher The Revd Glyn Diggins

Hymns at 9.30 a.m. 83, Gradual pg.4, 91, Final pg.4

Collect

O God,
who by the leading of a star
manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth:
mercifully grant that we,
who know you now by faith,
may at last behold your glory face to face;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion Prayer

Lord God,
the bright splendour whom the nations seek:
may we who with the wise men have been
drawn by your light
discern the glory of your presence in your Son,
the Word made flesh, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Website: www.maltonbenefice.org.uk

THANK YOU: to everyone who contributed to the collections at the Christingle and Crib services, where **£438.67** was raised for The Children's Society. **£712.49** was raised for Crisis from collections at our Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Services, plus Coffee Stops in December and donations in lieu of sending Christmas cards. Truly worthwhile sums of money we can be proud to send on to our chosen charities.

The Messenger

The January edition is available on the church web site to read at: www.maltonbenefice.org.uk

The January edition will be last one in its present form and Jezz will no longer be the editor. Many thanks to him for his hard work and dedication in producing the Messenger in recent times.

CHOIR NOTES

During communion the choir will sing 'In the bleak midwinter' to the setting by Darke.



BENEFICE PRAYERS-WEEK 3

Please pray for those who live or work in these roads: Birch Avenue, Castle Howard Drive, Horsemarket Road, Pasture View, Pump Lane and Water Lane.

READINGS & DUTIES 13 January

10.00 a.m. Covenant Service at The Wesley Centre

Readings Isaiah 43. 1-7
Acts 8. 14-17
Luke 3. 15-17, 21-22
Duty Leader Trish Atkinson
Transport John Patten
Flowers Mrs K Dallimore

Monday 7 January

Tuesday 8 January

8.30 a.m. Morning Prayer

Wednesday 9th January

10.30 a.m. Holy Communion followed by coffee at Bar 46, Market Place

Thursday 10th January

9.00 a.m. Holy Communion at St Mary's

7.30 p.m. Choir Practice

Friday 11th January

8.30 a.m. Morning Prayer

Saturday 12th January

9.00 a.m. Prayer Breakfast

10.00 a.m. Coffee Stop: Lorraine Small
Janet Rogers

Sunday 13th January

10.00 a.m. Joint Covenant Service at The Wesley Centre, Saville St

11.15 a.m. Matins at St Mary's

3.30 p.m. Coffee at Costa

6.30 p.m. Evensong at St Mary's

READINGS & DUTIES 20 January

Readings Isaiah 62. 1-5
1 Corinthians 12. 1-11
John 2. 1-11

Duty Leader Romey Willis
Assistant Eileen Searle
Sidespersons Christine Roberts-Holland,
Sandy Jeffries

Readers Margaret Clark, Romey Willis

Intercessions Margaret Clark

Server Trish Atkinson

Chalice Trish Atkinson,
Christine Roberts Holland

Transport Heather Williams

Coffee Lorraine Small, Janet Gavigan

Flowers Ms E Peace

NO PARISH COMMUNION SERVICE AT 9.30 AM NEXT SUNDAY.

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you. For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the LORD will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms. Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the LORD. Isaiah 60. 1-6

Hear the Gospel of our Lord according to Matthew

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, 'Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising and have come to pay him homage.' When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, 'In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: "And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel." Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, 'Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.' When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure-chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road. Matthew 2. 1-12

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Tea, Coffee, Cake & Chat on Sunday

13th January at Costa
Coffee from 3.30 pm onwards.

All welcome.



Items for Weekly Sheet to:
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PRAYER BREAKFAST:

next Saturday at 9.00 a.m.
You are invited to join us for thirty minutes of prayer followed by tea/coffee and toast.



BENEFICE LUNCHES resume on Thurs 31st January at Wentworth Arms.