

will not pass away. 'But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. Therefore, keep awake – for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake.' Mark 13. 24-37

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Catherine & Mike Stallybrass are offering **free Study Sessions** on Zoom during Advent. The sessions are about an hour long, starting promptly at 11:00 on Thursday mornings. They will also be experimenting with recording the meetings, so that, hopefully, you will be able to catch up later if you miss a session.

The four sessions are on Church Art & Architecture inspired by the Four Last Things.

Thursday November 26 <sup>th</sup>	Death
Thursday December 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Judgement
Thursday December 10 <sup>th</sup>	Hell
Thursday December 17 <sup>th</sup>	Heaven

Zoom login details for all the meetings are as follows: *Topic: Looking at Churches*

Join Zoom Meeting using the following link

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82188206668?pwd=dnFhYlh0OUU4Ildl dGbtZxYVdLdWNIzd09>

or enter the details into the Zoom App as follows:

Meeting ID: 821 8820 6668; Passcode: 697442

### Christmas Eve 3.00pm Crib Service & Christingle

Re-live the story of Jesus's birth and light your own Christingle.

We warmly invite you to join us on Zoom to take part in our annual Crib Service and Christingle, on behalf of The Children's Society. Due to ongoing restrictions, this popular service will be transmitted by Zoom only. We are busy packing bags for you with everything you will need to take part in this service-including the orange! The bag will be delivered to you in time for the service. If you, or anyone you know locally, (grandchildren, family friends or neighbours) would like a Christingle bag delivered, complete with candle, sweets and Zoom joining instructions, leave a message on 01653 692089 or email [youngmalton@talktalk.net](mailto:youngmalton@talktalk.net) before 18<sup>th</sup> December, giving name and address for delivery and number of children in the household, please.

Finally, if anyone is available to deliver a few Christingle bags locally on 23<sup>rd</sup> Dec, do let me know as above. With thanks in advance, Tracey Young.



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**Sunday Reflection:** today's talk on Vimeo is by Revd Richard White, the Director of Making & Nurturing Disciples. [vimeo.com/dioceseforyork](https://vimeo.com/dioceseforyork).



## St Michael's Church, Malton

*The Church in the Market Place*

*We are a church, who invites and welcomes others,  
to journey together, growing in our love of Christ  
and deepening our relationship with Him.*

**29th  
November  
2020**

Once again, we are not able to meet in church for public worship. Our Vicar, however, will be in church to celebrate Holy Communion and the service will be transmitted via Zoom, as has become customary. You will need this software installed and working on a tablet or a PC with camera and mic. You will receive by email each week an ID and password for the meeting and a web link. The service commences at 9.30 am.

### Collect

Almighty God,

give us grace to cast away the works of darkness

and to put on the armour of light,

now in the time of this mortal life, in which

your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility;

that on the last day, when he shall come again

in his glorious majesty

to judge the living and the dead,

we may rise to the life immortal;

through him who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

**First Sunday  
of  
Advent**



### Post Communion Prayer

O Lord our God,

make us watchful and keep us faithful

as we await the coming of your Son our Lord;

that, when he shall appear,

he may not find us sleeping in sin

but active in his service

and joyful in his praise;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Website: [www.maltonbenefice.org.uk](http://www.maltonbenefice.org.uk)

**NEXT SUNDAY:** following Government announcements this week, we can resume public worship, and will do so next Sunday. The service will still be broadcast on Zoom for those unable to attend church. Holy Communion on Wednesday morning re-starts on 9th December.

**BENEFICE PRAYERS-WEEK 22**

Please pray for those who live or work in these roads: Folliot Ward Close, Hudson Close, Paul's Yard, St Leonard's Close and Wyse House Lane.

**SERVICES**

**Morning Prayer** is said at 9 am every morning via Zoom.

**Evening Prayer** is said at 7:15 pm on Tuesdays via Zoom.

**Parish Communion** on Sundays at 9.30 am via Zoom.

**Virtual Christmas Fayre**

As we can't have our usual event in the Milton Rooms, we are running the Fayre virtually and you can take part from the comfort of your own home. It's a different way to contribute to church funds and you could win a Christmas hamper.

If you need another copy of the flyer that was emailed out with the Weekly Sheet last weekend, please let Helen Shaw know.

**GIFT AIDING YOUR DONATION:**

If we don't have your details already and you would be happy to Gift Aid your contribution, please send your full name and address (including postcode) to the email address:

maltonbenefice@yahoo.com

Please remember that you must be a UK tax payer to participate in Gift Aid.

Items for Weekly Sheet to:  
helen.shaw59@btinternet.com

**READINGS & DUTIES 6th Dec**

**Second Sunday of Advent**

**All Age Worship**

Readings: Isaiah 40. 1-11

Mark 1. 1-8

Reader: Mavis Klaver

Intercessions: Sarah Barry

Flowers No flowers in Advent

**I CORINTHIANS 1.3-9**

**Attitude or Gratitude**

- ⇒ When have you been in conflict with others?
- ⇒ Paul praises God for the Corinthian church. How must you talk about and treat other churches?
- ⇒ Why should you be thankful amid chaos, misery and trials?
- ⇒ Ask God to help you be thankful at all times.
- ⇒ Work on any areas of your life where you lack thankfulness. 'The best way to show my gratitude to God is to accept everything, even the problems, with joy' *Mother Theresa*

**CHRISTMAS WRAPPING PAPER**

When you start wrapping presents, please save the cardboard tube the paper is wound on for the Bible Story Bag group. Elaine Ramsey can collect. Give her a call or text her on 07913 628443. They have collected a few kitchen roll tubes now and need more! Thank you.

**READINGS FOR THE FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT**

**A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah**

O that you would tear open the heavens and come down, so that the mountains would quake at your presence – as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil – to make your name known to your adversaries, so that the nations might tremble at your presence! When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence. From ages past no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who works for those who wait for him. You meet those who gladly do right, those who remember you in your ways. But you were angry, and we sinned; because you hid yourself we transgressed. We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. There is no one who calls on your name, or attempts to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity. Yet, O LORD; we are all the work of your hand. Do not be exceedingly angry, O LORD, and do not remember iniquity for ever. Now consider, we are all your people. Isaiah 64. 1-9

**A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians**

My brothers and sisters: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind – just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you – so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. I Corinthians 1. 3-9

**Hear the Gospel of our Lord according to Mark**

Jesus said to his disciples: 'In those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from heaven and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see "the Son of Man coming in clouds" with great power and glory. Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven. 'From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words