

Prayers for Today



The Diocesan Prayer

Living God, Jesus calls his followers to seek first your Kingdom.

Renew us as we make your love known;

Release us to share freely together in mission; and

Rejuvenate us to be fruitful in your service.

Give us courage, wisdom and Compassion, that strengthened with the grace of the Holy Spirit, we may, as the Diocese of Sheffield, both flourish and grow through Christ our Lord.

Amen

Collect for Sunday 25th February

Almighty God,
by the prayer and discipline of Lent
may we enter into the mystery of Christ's sufferings,
and by following in his Way
come to share in his glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Post Communion Collect

Almighty God,
you see that we have no power of ourselves
to help ourselves:
keep us both outwardly in our bodies,
and inwardly in our souls;
that we may be defended from all adversities
which may happen to the body,
and from all evil thoughts which may assault
and hurt the soul;
through Jesus Christ are Lord. Amen.

Who's Who?

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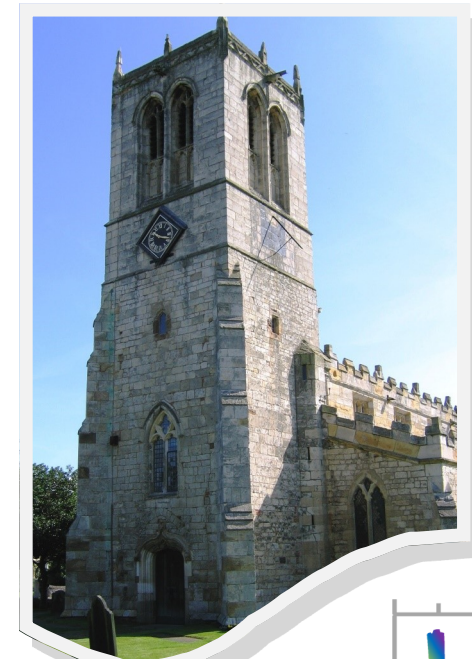
Miss. Rachel Towers
Office hours Thurs 9am-2pm
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Any notices for the newsletter please let Rachel know before midday on a Thursday.

Hall & Stable Hire - Bookings for either venue can now be made by contacting Rachel on:
tele: 07761 536676
email: bookings.sprotbrough@gmail.com

NEWSLETTER

St Mary's Church 25th February 2024



Worshipping God—Welcoming All

Today's Service

Thought for the day:



'Lift High the Cross'

Today's Readings

Genesis 17.1-7,15-16
Pew Bible Page 12
(The Old Testament)

Gospel


Mark 8.31-38
Pew Bible Page 41
(The New Testament)

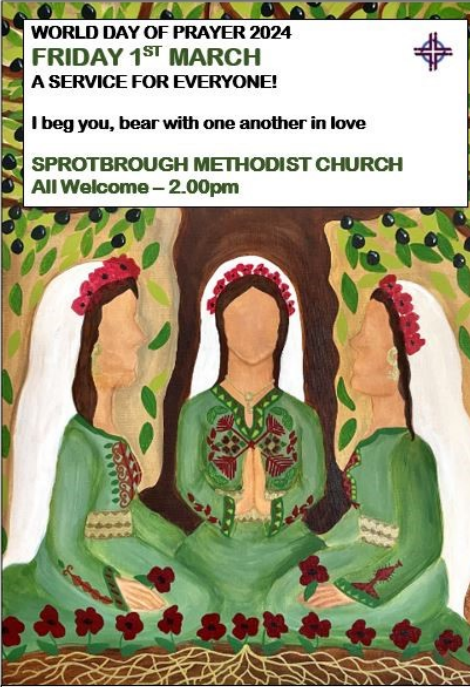
*Next week's readings will be:
Exodus 20.1-17 & John 2.13-22*

Notices

Foodbank - need is greater than ever. They are running short on the following: **UHT juice or Dilute Squash, Tinned Rice pudding, Tinned Veg, Tinned Fruit, Tinned Tomatoes, Tinned Fish, UHT Milk & Coffee. Easter treats/eggs to be provided no later than 17th March. Donations need to be in date please. Thank you.**



 **Spring Plant Sale - 2024** if you are considering your seed planting, please add some extra seeds and help support a Spring Plant Sale to raise monies for Church. Flowers and veggies welcome!



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2024
FRIDAY 1ST MARCH
A SERVICE FOR EVERYONE!

I beg you, bear with one another in love

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All Welcome - 2.00pm

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What's On



The Stable—Every Tuesday
9.45-11.30am Coffee, cake & chat, it will be nice to see you. Monies raised for the Stable Renovation Fund.


Forget Me Not Café -
First Tuesday of the month in the Church Hall - 1.30-3.30pm



 **Jigsaw Library** **Second Thursday** of the month. An opportunity to borrow a jigsaw and have a coffee with friends in The Stable 1.00pm-3.00pm


Craft-antics - 10am-4.00pm
The Stable **Third Friday** of the month, just bring a packed lunch, or drop in when you want. A craft & chat



 **Mothers' Union 7.30-9.30pm**
Meetings **Third Monday** of each month in The Stable. If you would like more details or to join, please speak to Helen Harwood


Singing Group - Church Hall most Wednesday's 11.15am



 Informal meeting of our **male parishioners in the Ivanhoe at 7.30pm** **Third Monday** of each month.

Lent Groups - Sunshine & Showers - starts at SMC Tues 20th Feb - 2pm and St Mary's in the Stable Wed 21st Feb - 7.30pm. Sign up sheet at back of Church.



 **Prayer Chapel - Lent Labyrinth Prayer Station** - The season of Lent calls us to more prayer. Why not try out our Lent finger labyrinth with a guided reflective prayer? A new meditation will be added each week.