

Welcome to St John's Church-Elmswell



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10.30am Parish Praise

If you are visiting or have recently moved to Elmswell and are here for the first time, a warm welcome to you. Coffee and tea will be served in the church room after the service.

If you have or know of a pastoral need, please contact one of the Clergy



Collect (*special prayer for today*)

The Second Sunday of Advent

O Lord, raise up, we pray, your power
and come among us,
and with great might succour us;
that whereas, through our sins and wickedness
we are grievously hindered
in running the race that is set before us,
your bountiful grace and mercy
may speedily help and deliver us;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
to whom with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honour and glory, now and for ever. **Amen**

BIBLE READING

1st Reading: Isaiah 11: 1 to 10 (p 696)

2nd Reading: Matthew 3: 1 to 12 (p 967)

HYMNS & SONGS

Jesus is Lord, behold the king of kings
What a wonderful Saviour (on sht)
From the squalor (on sht)
MP 493 O come, O come, Emmanuel
449 Love divine

Notice Board

CAN YOU SPARE AN HOUR A MONTH ? If so we still urgently require persons to join the rota for cleaning the church. You would work in pairs. If you can help to keep our church clean please speak to Rosie Ellis.

This year we will not have the Christmas card board at the front of the church for the congregation to attach their cards. We will replace this with just two big cards that people can sign. They are on the table at the back of the church near the entrance. There will be a box where Donations to **Tear Fund** can be made.

The week ahead

Monday 9 December 10.00am Coffee Break at the Rectory.

Thursday 12 December 9.30am to 11.30am 'Mums The Word' at the Rectory.

Friday 13 December 11.15am Ladies' Lunch at the Blackbourne. If you would like to attend please add your name to the list at the back of the church.

Saturday 14 December 9.00am to 9.45am Prayer meeting in the church room.

Diary Dates

Sunday 15 December 6.30pm Carols by candlelight in the church.

Wednesday 18 December 7.00pm 'Churches together in Elmswell' Carol singing on Crown Green. Afterwards tea/coffee and light refreshments at the Baptist Church.

Looking Further Ahead

Tuesday 24 December - Christmas Eve 3.30pm to 4.30pm Messy Nativity – Children's carol service.
11.00pm Late Night Communion.

☺ Please take this notice sheet home with you as a reminder of future events ☺

**Next Sunday. . . 9.30am Breakfast Church (Breakfast from 9.00am)
11.00am Holy Communion (Common Worship)**