

Planned Giving Envelopes

We have recycled some old envelopes to save money (and the planet!) Please pick one up from the back of church a let Grace or Hilary know your new number.

Christmas Flowers

Kaaren is most thankful for the contributions she receives towards the cost of flowers throughout the year. If you would be willing to give towards the Christmas flowers, she would be very grateful

Christmas Pillar Box

The Pillar Box will be out throughout Advent for donations towards the work of Manorlands and Martin House.

Confirmation

There will be a confirmation service at St. John's on January 14th. If you would like to be confirmed, or know of someone else who would, please see Daniel or Philippa

Thursday morning prayers

There is a weekly time of prayer for the 4 parishes in our group on Thursday mornings, 9am on zoom. All welcome to join. Use login: 996-9646-3899, password: 662291. Or link: <https://us05web.zoom.us/j/99696463899?pwd=NzZFNjVIYUtQZm50MHVSQUhNQ2twZz09>. Pick up a prayer booklet in church.

Focus Group Update

There is a summary of what was discussed at the last Focus Group and a question sheet to consider for the next one on the board at the back of church. Dates for your diary - **21st January** (note change); 25th February 10.00 a.m. start; 11.15 a.m. finish - Holy Communion at **9.30 a.m.**

Pilgrimage

There is a pilgrimage from Ripon Cathedral to Fountains Abbey on Boxing day from 10.15 a.m. following a Eucharist in the cathedral at 9.30 a.m.

Sunday 10th December 2023

Second Sunday of Advent

Service: Holy Communion

Hymns:

307; 401; 209; 153

Welcome to St. Saviour's Church

www.stsavioursfwg.org.uk

Interim Priest-in-Charge:

Vacant

Interim Associate Minister

Revd Philippa Slingsby-Lunn (tel. 01274 49137)

Interim Assistant Curate

Revd. Daniel Furlong (tel: 07749 941348)

Churchwardens:

Mrs. Grace Studholme; Mr. John Ratnik

Children in Church

Children are most welcome to our services.

Refreshments.

Please join us for refreshments in the hall after the service.

Please take this service sheet home with you

Collect of the Day (*2nd 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.

2 Peter 3.8-15a

⁸ Do not ignore this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like one day. ⁹ The Lord is not slow about his promise, as some think of slowness, but is patient with you, not wanting any to perish, but all to come to repentance. ¹⁰ But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a loud noise, and the elements will be dissolved with fire, and the earth and everything that is done on it will be disclosed.

¹¹ Since all these things are to be dissolved in this way, what sort of persons ought you to be in leading lives of holiness and godliness, ¹² waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be set ablaze and dissolved, and the elements will melt with fire? ¹³ But, in accordance with his promise, we wait for new heavens and a new earth, where righteousness is at home.

¹⁴ Therefore, beloved, while you are waiting for these things, strive to be found by him at peace, without spot or blemish; ¹⁵ and regard the patience of our Lord as salvation.

Mark 1.1-8

¹ The beginning of the good news of Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

² As it is written in the prophet Isaiah, 'See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way; ³ the voice of one crying out in the wilderness: "Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight,"'

⁴ John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. ⁵ And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to

him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.

⁶ Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. ⁷ He proclaimed, 'The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. ⁸ I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.'

Post-communion (*2nd Sunday of Advent*)

Father in heaven, who sent your Son to redeem the world and will send him again to be our judge: give us grace so to imitate him in the humility and purity of his first coming that, when he comes again, we may be ready to greet him with joyful love and firm faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Activities for the week

Today	10.00 a.m.	Holy Communion
Minday 11th	6.00 p.m.	Private Booking
Tuesday 12th	12 noon	Knit 'n' Natter
	6.00 p.m.	Beaver Scouts
Wednesday 13th	9.30am	Holy Communion
	11.30 a.m.	Ings Way Lunch Day
	3.00 p.m.	Cook & Eat
	6.30 p.m.	Cub Scouts
	7.30 p.m.	Scouts & Explorers
Sunday 17th	10.00 a.m.	Holy Communion

Please pray for all on our prayer list: Wendy and Eric; Simon and Keretha, Pauline, Doreen, Dennis, Tracy, Rosemary, Dermot and anyone known to you.