

Monday

9:30am – 11:30am Little Fishes in the Parish Hall

Tuesday 9:30am – 11am Warm Space at St James'

Wednesday

10:30am Holy Communion & refreshments and fellowship

Friday 6.30pm-8.30pm Choir Practice

Saturday 10-30am – 3pm Christmas Tree Festival

This year's theme is "A White Christmas". All trees welcome from individuals, families or groups. Refreshments from 10.30am and roast pork sandwiches from 12 and stalls include craft, jewellery, books, cakes and surprise bags. Contributions to the surprise bags by this Sunday, please. Setting up of the trees on Wednesday Dec 3rd from 3pm and Friday evening; contact Suzanne on 07773659714 re any query. Proceeds to Children & Youth Ministry.

NEXT SUNDAY

9-45am Parish Communion & Starfish Gang and
4pm Christingle Service

DATES FOR UPCOMING EVENTS & SERVICES:

Monday Dec 8th 10-30am Natter in Church

YouthZone next meeting is on Dec 14th at St Cuthbert's

Saturday Dec 20th 4pm Outdoor Nativity

Sunday Dec 21st 6pm Nine Lessons and Carols

Have you received **your giving letter**? Look out for it in church! Please do read it, pray, make your response and return it to church during Advent. **It would be truly wonderful to receive a response from everyone.** Elizabeth Hacon, Giving Director.

RAINWATER DISPERSAL SYSTEM & Church Fabric

We are pleased to say that the work on the upper part of the church has been **completed**. However **urgent repairs are needed to the pinnacles**, which will cost at least **£6,900 plus VAT**. Until they are done, the area below the pinnacles will be **cordoned off for safety reasons**. So we continue to **raise funds for the Appeal**.

Reminder of Church Bank details:

Church Bank Account: TSB Sort Code 77-74-02

Account Number 0007 1841

Cheque payable to PCC for the Parish of Whiston

SUNDAY ROTA and refreshments Could those on the rota let me have their availability from December 14th to the end of January by email, WhatsApp or message or phone asap. We also need a few more volunteers; speak to me if you can help. Thanking you in advance. Colette

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TAKE CARE OF EACH OTHER AND REMEMBER GOD IS GOOD

St. Mary Magdalene, Whiston
Part of the Mission Area with St Cuthbert & St James
FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT - 30th Nov. 2025



9-45 am PARISH COMMUNION & STARFISH GANG

Setting: Thorne - Mass of St Thomas

45 – O Come, O Come Emmanuel

42 – Longing for light, we wait in darkness

Anthem – The truth from above – Vaughan Williams

41 -- Lo, he comes with clouds descending

6pm ADVENT CAROL SERVICE

We pray for those who have asked for our prayers, for all those who are ill or anxious at this time, undergoing tests or treatment at home or in hospital or who are in a care home or housebound.

We pray for the recently departed Owen Jenkinson and Sylvia Emeny, and we pray for all those who mourn, in particular their families.

We pray for those in our memorial book whose anniversary occurs this week: Jenny Hutson, Hilda Millson, Kenneth Bradbury, Gladis Drabble and Arthur Blakey.

We pray for Peace in the world and all areas where war continues to rage.

We pray for all the children taking part in activities this coming week and for the whole community as we prepare for Christmas

A prayer for generosity and commitment:

Father God, you sent your Son Jesus to give up everything for us: may the gifts we bring, whether great or small, be the very best that we can offer and a sign of our grateful love; through Jesus Christ Our Lord. (Jenny Dann, Diocese of Lincoln)

Are you interested in joining the **Diocesan Prayer Community WhatsApp Channel**? For further details follow this link:

[2025 Prayer Community - The Diocese of Sheffield](#)

To make best use of the hearing loop system in Church those who use a hearing aid should set their aid to the 'T' setting.



After the Sunday and Wednesday morning services, please stay for refreshments.
As a Church, we support Fairtrade.



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