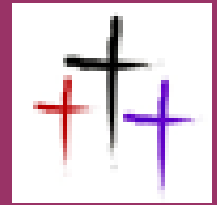


# St Thomas Osbaldwick with St James Murton

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup>  
November  
2021



## Church Diary and Events

### SUNDAY 28<sup>ND</sup> THE 1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT

10am Holy Communion

Thursday 2<sup>ND</sup> Coffee Drop In at St Thomas's from 10-12noon

Saturday 4<sup>TH</sup> Christmas Coffee Morning at St Thomas's from 10am, see Parish Link for details.

### SUNDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> THE 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8am Holy Communion

10am Morning Prayer

### SUNDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> THE 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT

10am Holy Communion

4pm Evening Worship at St James's

Thursday 16<sup>TH</sup> Coffee Drop In at St Thomas's from 10-12noon

### SUNDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> THE 4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT

10am Holy Communion

6pm Carols on The Green, Osbaldwick.

### FRIDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> CHRISTMAS EVE

2-3pm Christingle Trail starting and ending at St Thomas's. Build your Christingle as you take a short walk round Osbaldwick.

**8pm Candlelit Christmas Communion at St Thomas's**

### SATURDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> CHRISTMAS DAY (this service will be live-streamed)

10am Christmas Communion at St James's

**SUNDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> NO SERVICES TODAY** If you would like a copy of "At the heart of Christmas" written by the Archbishops of York and Canterbury to use in place of a service today, or at anytime during the Christmas period, please do get in touch with either Rev Jan Nobel or Julie Wainwright.

Thursday 30<sup>TH</sup> Coffee Drop In at St Thomas's from 10-12noon

### SUNDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> January. EPIPHANY

8am Holy Communion

10am Morning Prayer

## A Happy New Year!

Advent Sunday sees the start of the new year in the church. This year we move to the Year C pattern of readings.

As it is the start of the new year we will use the following hymn as part of our intercessions this morning:

Lord, for the years your love has kept and guided, urged and inspired us, cheered us on our way, sought us and saved us, pardoned and provided: Lord of the years, we bring our thanks today.

Lord, for that word, the word of life which fires us, speaks to our hearts and sets our souls ablaze, teaches and trains, rebukes us and inspires us: Lord of the word, receive Your people's praise.

Lord, for our land in this our generation, spirits oppressed by pleasure, wealth and care: for young and old, for commonwealth and nations, Lord of our land, be pleased to hear our prayer.

Lord, for our world when we disown and doubt him, loveless in strength, and comfortless in pain, hungry and helpless, lost indeed without him: Lord of the world, we pray that Christ may reign.

Lord for ourselves; in living power remake us - self on the cross and Christ upon the throne, past put behind us, for the future take us: Lord of our lives, to live for Christ alone.



A free phone line of hymns, reflections and prayers

## ***Collect and Readings for 1st Sunday of Advent***

### **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. **Amen.**

### **1Thessalonians 3: 9—13**

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith. Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

For the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**



### **You may like to look at the other readings set for today:**

Psalm 25: 1—9

Jeremiah 33: 14—16

In preparation for next Sunday—Advent 2

### **Readings:**

Malachi 3: 1—4

Canticle: The Benedictus

Phil 1: 3 - 11

Luke 3: 1 - 6

### **St Luke 21 25—36**

Jesus said, “There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in a cloud’ with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.”

Then he told them a parable: “Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

“Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.”

This is the Gospel of the Christ



**Praise to Christ our Lord.**

### **Sunday Reflection**



This week the Archbishop Stephen leads a reflection for Advent Sunday..

**Find the video here at:**