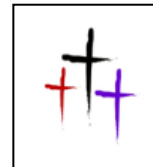
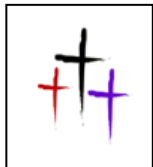


St Thomas's Osbaldwick and St James's Murton

Churches with a heart - at the heart of our communities

An Inclusive Church — All are Welcome

Pew Sheet for 12th July 2026



Sunday 12th July 6th Sunday of Trinity

10.00am Holy Communion at St Thomas's

4.00pm Evening Worship at St James's

Readings: *Isaiah 55: 10 – 13. Matthew 13: 1 – 9, 18 – 23.*

Monday 13th July

7.00pm Parochial Church Council meeting at St Thomas's

Tuesday 14th July

7.30pm National Lottery Bid meeting

Wednesday 15th July

9.30am Playgroup at St Thomas's

Thursday 16th July

10.00am Coffee Drop-in at St Thomas's

Friday 17th July

10.00am Chairobics at St Thomas's

Saturday 11th July

2.00pm Open Garden – see below

Sunday 19th July 7th Sunday of Trinity

10.00am Family Communion at St Thomas's

Readings: *The parables of Jesus*

Dates for your diary



Celebration of St James the Apostle

Sunday 26th July at 10.00am

Celtic Holy Communion at St James's Murton

Collation and Induction of Revd Jan Nobel as Rector of St Nicholas Church, Guisborough.

Thursday 3rd September, 7pm.

Further details later



Prayers and Prayer Pointers For This Week

Monday 13th July

- On this day in 1985, the Live Aid Concert took place in several cities around the world. Whilst well intentioned, and a source of a great deal of money being raised for good causes, time and reflection has demonstrated that there are better, less problematic ways of talking about Africa, poverty and social justice.
- Today, you might like to pray for all involved in humanitarian aid and tackling poverty around the world. May they find a way to do so that does not cause damage or repeat narratives of racism and white supremacy.

Tuesday 14th July

- Today is International Non-Binary People's Day. Today, let your prayers be for inclusion, justice and rights for all people, especially those who are prejudiced against because of their gender or current gender alignment.

Wednesday 15th July

- Notice your words today.
- Are they kind? Are they necessary? Are they true?
- God of gentle speech, help my words to heal more than they harm. Amen.

Thursday 16th July

- Pray today for those who feel lonely.
- You might like to think of someone who lives alone, is recently bereaved, or feels disconnected.
- If appropriate, consider reaching out to them.

Friday 17th July

- On this day in 1936, the Spanish Civil War broke out, with an armed rebellion against the newly elected Popular Front (a left-wing political party).
- Today, there are four major civil wars going on (in Syria, Myanmar, Sudan, Ethiopia), with over 30 other significant internal armed conflicts around the world. You might like to pray for those involved, and for all who have the means and the opportunity to work for peace.

Saturday 18th July

- Today, pray for creation and for your own relationship with the natural world.
- You might take a short walk, look out of a window, or touch a plant and give thanks.
- Creator God, make me a better guardian of your earth. Amen.



Diocesan Prayer diary — This week join in prayer with the church throughout our diocese for:

Church of England:
Diocese of Newcastle,
Bishop Helen-Ann Hartley, Bishop Mark Wroe

Church of Norway:
Diocese of Møre, Bishop Ingeborg Midttømme

Anglican Youth of Southern Africa (AYSA)
AYSA is administered and coordinated by the
Provincial Youth Council (PYC) who ensures
that there is a vibrant and effective youth
ministry in each Diocese.

Porvoo Communion

South Africa Diocesan Link



The Diocesan Prayer Diary July to September 2026

[Diocesan Prayer Diary | Diocese of York](#)



Collect and Readings

Creator God, you made us all in your image: may we discern you in all that we see,
and serve you in all that we do; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Collect and Prayer for the Week

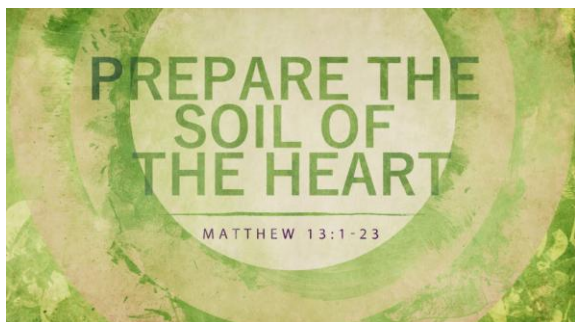
Almighty and eternal God,
who, for the firmer foundation of our faith,
allowed your holy apostle Thomas
to doubt the resurrection of your Son
till word and sight convinced him:
grant to us, who have not seen, that we also may
believe
and so confess Christ as our Lord and our God;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

All readings taken from NRSV

Isaiah 55: 10 - 13

¹⁰ For as the rain and the snow come down from
heaven,
and do not return there until they have watered
the earth,
making it bring forth and sprout,
giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,
¹¹ so shall my word be that goes out from my
mouth;
it shall not return to me empty,
but it shall accomplish that which I purpose,
and succeed in the thing for which I sent it.
¹² For you shall go out in joy,
and be led back in peace;
the mountains and the hills before you
shall burst into song,
and all the trees of the field shall clap their
hands.
¹³ Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress;
instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle;
and it shall be to the Lord for a memorial,
for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

For the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.



Matthew 13: 1 – 9, 18 - 23

That same day Jesus went out of the house and
sat beside the lake. ²Such great crowds gathered
around him that he got into a boat and sat there,
while the whole crowd stood on the beach. ³And
he told them many things in parables, saying:
'Listen! A sower went out to sow. ⁴And as he
sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds
came and ate them up. ⁵Other seeds fell on rocky
ground, where they did not have much soil, and
they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of
soil. ⁶But when the sun rose, they were scorched;
and since they had no root, they withered
away. ⁷Other seeds fell among thorns, and the
thorns grew up and choked them. ⁸Other seeds fell
on good soil and brought forth grain, some a
hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. ⁹Let anyone
with ears listen!'
¹⁸ 'Hear then the parable of the sower. ¹⁹When
anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does
not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches
away what is sown in the heart; this is what was
sown on the path. ²⁰As for what was sown on
rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word
and immediately receives it with joy; ²¹yet such a
person has no root, but endures only for a while,
and when trouble or persecution arises on account
of the word, that person immediately falls
away. ²²As for what was sown among thorns, this is
the one who hears the word, but the cares of the
world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it
yields nothing. ²³But as for what was sown on
good soil, this is the one who hears the word and
understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields,
in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in
another thirty.'

This is the Gospel of Christ.
Praise to Christ our Lord.

Post Communion

God of our pilgrimage,
you have led us to the living water:
refresh and sustain us
as we go forward on our journey,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*'God's word takes root better in
soil already tilled'*

