



PLEASE PRAY FOR:

The Sick: Mark Brown,
Malcolm Binns, Roy and Pam
Beasley

R I P: Michael Earl, Pat
Colquitt, Margaret Frater,
Daphne Landells, Marion Pape,
Roland Culley, Julia Wood

PRAYER MINISTRY is available at
every service in the parish. If you
would like someone to pray with
you after Communion or at the
end of the service, please
approach one of the prayer team
(look for their prayer team

THE MINISTRY TEAM

Rector: Revd Simon White

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Curate and Pioneer Minister:

Revd Beth Rookwood

07496672011 (day off Thursday)

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PARISH OFFICE OPENING TIMES

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PARISH WEBSITE

www.parishofmorpeth.org.uk

ALL PARISH POLICIES ARE NOW

AVAILABLE TO VIEW ON THE

PARISH WEBSITE

www.parishofmorpeth.org.uk/

[policies.htm](http://www.parishofmorpeth.org.uk/policies.htm) For Safeguarding, see

also Diocesan policies on

www.newcastle.anglican.org/

[safeguarding/introduction.aspx](http://www.newcastle.anglican.org/safeguarding/introduction.aspx)

Notices for the news sheet need to
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val@litnotes.co.uk

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**FOR INFORMATION ON
ACTIVITIES AND SUNDAY
WORSHIP FOR THOSE
WITH YOUNG CHILDREN,
PLEASE CHECK OUT OUR**

**PARISH BEACON PROJECT PAGES ON
FACEBOOK AND THE PARISH WEBSITE**

TODAY: SUNDAY 16th December—3rd of ADVENT

6.00pm St James Advent Quiet Reflection

NEXT WEEK: SUNDAY 23rd December—4th of ADVENT

8.00am St James Holy Communion

9.30am St Mary Family Communion

9.30am St Aidan Family Communion

11.15am St James Family Communion

4.00pm St James Tea Time Christmas Church



**PRAYER for 3rd Sunday of Advent—John the Baptist
All:**

*Lord Jesus, light of the world, John told the people to
prepare, for you were very near. As Christmas grows
closer day by day, help us to be ready to welcome
you now. Amen.*

Collect for Today God for whom we watch and wait, you sent John
the Baptist to prepare the way of your Son: give us courage to speak
the truth, to hunger for justice, and to suffer for the cause of right,
with Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Readings:

Old Testament Zephaniah 3.14-20 (p 891)

New Testament Philippians 4.4-7 (p 196)

Gospel Luke 3.7-18 (p 57)



COFFEE & CHAT at Chantry Coffee Shop at 10.30am

WE ARE MEETING ON CHRISTMAS EVE and the next date is JANUARY 7th. 2019 Details from Gena Fleming on 515741.

EVERY WEEK:

There will be no Morning Prayer during the school holidays. 24th December to 4th Jan inclusive in St James

WEDNESDAY—“Journey” Group meets in St James Vestry at 7pm—Emily Gibson 07713474443

Wednesday Home Group Wed. 7pm for 7.30 start at 15 Bankside. **Next meeting TBC.** All welcome.

THURSDAY—Holy Communion St Aidan’s 9.15 am

FRIDAY—Celtic Prayer breakfast 8am at Costa, Bridge Street

MINISTRY TO THE LONELY at

Christmas. Could you invite lonely people to share Christmas lunch with you in your own home on Christmas Day? For more information or to volunteer to help talk to Jeremy, Kathryn or one of the Ministry Team.

OUR PARISH CHRISTINGLE will be held on Sunday February 3rd 2019

to celebrate the Children’s Society’s 50th anniversary of Christingle services, and to mark Candlemas.

REVISION OF THE WEEKLY PRAYER LIST. All requests for names to be included on the prayer list on this news sheet and the weekly church Intercession cards, should now be made to the Rector, who will manage the list, which will be regularly revised. **Please note that this applies ONLY to the weekly lists—the confidential prayer list will not be affected.**

SUPPORTERS WANTED for the Christmas Service at East Riding Care Home, Whorral Bank, Thursday 21st December, 10.30am. Come and help make a joyful noise! Rev’d Pat Fuller, Tel 01670 519800

ADDITIONAL EUCHARIST IN DECEMBER. There will be an additional Eucharist at St Aidan’s on **Thursday 27th December at 9.15am.** Beth Rookwood will be the Celebrant.

A COMMUNITY CAROL SERVICE on Saturday 22nd December in Morpeth Market Place. Morpeth

Churches Together, Ellington Colliery Band, bell ringers and a short reading from Simon. Everyone welcome.

THE PARISH BURNS NIGHT will take place on Sunday 27th January, at 7pm at the Waterford Lodge. Tickets are £10 each, payable when you book please. There is a strict limit of 60 places and bookings close on Sunday 20th January. Proceeds to Mighty Oaks. **Sign up sheets in due course.**

THE PARISH LIVING NATIVITY will take place at St Aidans TODAY—16th December at 2pm, with live donkeys! All welcome to stay for mulled wine and mince pies in the church afterwards

MORPETH MOTHERS UNION a really big THANK YOU to all those who donated gifts for the MU Christmas Shoe Box

Appeal. A total of 25 (highest from our branch to date) were handed over to the Bishop for a blessing on Friday before being taken to the People’s Kitchen in Newcastle and to refugees in our diocese.

THANK YOU! Over £900 was raised at the Advent Market for the Botswana Mission and the Parish’s four chosen Charities (Mighty Oaks, Scripture Union, International PCDC and Christian Aid)



CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Sunday December 23rd

4 pm St Aidan TeaTime Christmas

Monday December 24th

Christmas Eve

4pm St Aidan Star Party and Crib Service

6 pm St Aidan Carol Service

6 pm St Mary Carol Service

6 pm St James Carol Service

11.30pm St Mary Midnight Mass

Tuesday December 25th

Christmas Day

8 am St James Holy Communion

10 am St James Joint Family Communion.

Sunday Dec 30th

8 am St James Holy Communion

10 am St Aidan Joint Family Communion

