

ROSEMARY BENTLEY

Rosemary died on Christmas Eve after being hospitalised after a serious fall the previous day. Rosemary was an extraordinary woman who was loved by everyone who met her. People quickly realised that this energetic talented lady was there to help. Rosemary wanted nothing in return, but her kindness and talent touched so many lives. As a consequence she was valued and respected around the city. Countless children's and adults' lives were enriched by knowing her. She loved the world and cared for it by taking on tasks which made the world a better place. Rosemary was a joy giver and a positive, life-enhancing force. She was a teaching assistant at St George's School; and her contribution to the life of the school had many parents believing that she was the deputy headteacher! She was always there for the children and the staff. The plays presented in school or in various theatres around York were always outstanding due in large part to her attention to detail and her thoroughness. She took charge of the set design and costumes, with great attention to every last detail. The garden at school was designed by her and she engaged the children in all aspects of the work. Rosemary's contribution to the life of the city was multifarious, too much to encompass in this brief account. Suffice to say that she is irreplaceable. We send our love and prayers to her family and thank God for the life of this wonderful woman.

Rosemary's funeral will be held at English Martyrs church on Tuesday 18 th Jan at 10:30am.

Please pray for David Wilde who died recently. He was a member of St George's Parish and taught in St George's Secondary School for many years. He wrote a history of St George's Parish and served the City of York as a Councillor and as Sheriff. May he rest in peace.

Sr. Ann and the sisters wish to thank all the parishioners of St. Georges's for the lovely cards and gifts they received at Christmastime.

Sr. Ann is getting better, she had a happy Christmas in hospital and will soon be moving to a nursing home, possibly in Easingwold.



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SUNDAY 9TH JANUARY – THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Usual Mass times: Sunday 10.30am/6.30pm, Wednesday 9.30am, Saturday 10.00am
No booking needed for any Masses

Confessions first Saturday of the month, 10.30-11.30 in the Sacristy
(at other times on request - ring Fr Jerry to make an appointment)

READINGS TODAY: ISAIAH 40:1-5,9-11; TITUS 2:11-14,3:4-7; LUKE 3:15-16,21-22

NEXT SUNDAY: ISAIAH 62:1-5; 1 CORINTHIANS 12:4-11; JOHN 2:1-11

WEDNESDAY 10.00* MASS

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PLEASE send Mass requests, plus details of Recently Dead and Anniversaries etc, to Canon Jerry using the Rectory door letterbox next to the church.
Please send items for the bulletin to: bulletin@stgeorgeschurch-york.uk

SYNOD 2021 - 2023

Communion - Participation - Mission

Synodal Meetings at St George's

The first sessions in our parish will be this weekend in the church

Saturday 8th January after 10am Mass

Sunday 9th January after 10.30am Mass

Everyone (YES that includes YOU) is very welcome to join us as we listen to each other and share how we journey together in our parish. The meetings will last about 1 hour. There will be other opportunities to join in the process. If you want to join in but aren't able to make these sessions for any reason, please contact Katy Iggulden (kathleeniggulden@gmail.com) or speak to one of us. We can be flexible and will explore other options for in person and online involvement.

Fr Jerry, Marika & Marcel Gatt, Damian Rooney, Katy Iggulden

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD: Sundays at 10.30am Mass, for school age children (who haven't made their First Holy Communion) to listen to and pray with the Gospel reading.

To join the team of volunteers, speak to Carla Willis, Ines Gracias, Katy Thorpe or Katy Iggulden. We can arrange a DBS check. More details on the parish website and Facebook.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME 2022: The first meeting of the First Holy

Communion programme will take place on Saturday 22nd January from 11.00-12.00.

- Children should attend with their parents/carers.
- Please use the side door in to the Sacristy (the one that has a flight of stairs running to it) – not the door to the front of the church or the door of the house.
- During this session we'll provide parents/carers with the schedule for the programme and other key information. We'll also issue the children with their books and commence their lessons.

WEEKLY OFFERING TO ST GEORGE'S PARISH: If any parishioner would like to change their method of payment from the envelope system to a Standing Order, they can set it up using online banking or complete a Standing Order form and return it to their bank without the need to complete a new Gift Aid Declaration. You can get a copy of the parish's bank account details from Seamus O'Neill, Ann Middleton or Steve Holder if you would like to set up a Standing Order or make a one-off donation. You can also use your debit card rather than cash to make your weekly contributions or one-off donations to church, using the contactless machine at the back of church. Thank you for your continued generous donations to the parish.

FAIRTRADE AT ST GEORGE'S EVERY SUNDAY AFTER 10.00AM MASS. There is now a wider stock of Fairtrade Goods in St. George's. To see what is available, either refer to the Price List at the back of church (copies may be taken away) or view on St George's Facebook page. Please order these goods using the Order Forms provided and pay with cash – change can be given. Your support is very welcome and much appreciated. Fairtrade works towards fairer returns for farmers in the developing world, and supports community projects. **Frances and Dennis**

SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL (SVP): St George's SVP members are maintaining contact with their visits and offering food vouchers and financial help at our school. **We have a need for new members to help with this important parish work.** Please see Steve Holder if you feel you can help. Any emails to the bulletin email address will be passed on to Steve (Holder).

CURRENT AND ASPIRING ALTAR SERVERS – WHERE ARE YOU?: Steve (Holder) would love to hear from you – email the bulletin address or put a note through the Rectory door.

NEW DIARIES are available from the back of church, near the Mass cards.

Readers for the 10.30 mass

9 th January	1) Paddy Cox	2) Elizabeth Hardcastle
16 th January	1) Ann-Marie Ripley	2) Helen Glendinning
23 rd January	1) Ines Gracias	2) Chris Thorpe
30 th January	1) Helen Glendinning	2) Elva Almond

Readers for the 6.30pm mass

9 th January	1) Chris Fewster	2) Chris Nicholls
16 th January	1) Robin Joseph	2) Dee Statham
23 rd January	1) Liam Page	2) Penny Fewster
30 th January	1) Dee Statham	2) Harold Mozley

Standby Eucharistic Ministers for the 10.30am mass

9 th January	1) Chris Polack
16 th January	1) Elizabeth Hardcastle
23 rd January	1) Katy Thorpe
30 th January	1) Liz Goldstein

Eucharistic Ministers for Sat. eve. Mass

9 th January	1) Richard Iggulden
16 th January	1) Liam Page
23 rd January	1) Richard Iggulden
30 th January	1) Liam Page