

# POCKLINGTON GROUP OF CHURCHES

Burnby, St Giles; Givendale, St Ethelburga; Hayton, St Martin; Huggate, St Mary;  
Londesborough, All Saints; Millington, St Margaret; Nunburnholme, St James;  
Pocklington, All Saints; Shiptonthorpe, All Saints

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## BULLETIN

### Epiphany 2

17 January 2021

Following the government guidance, we are meeting in person this week. But if you are classed as vulnerable or you are shielding, you will be able to join this service live using Zoom. To join with your computer, please use this link:

**Link:**

<https://zoom.us/j/98685956798?pwd=Yy93amtJSUJsWkFsK2crR1FjTVVZZz09>

**Meeting ID:** 986 8595 6798

**Password:** 634439

You may also join by phone. Please dial any of the following numbers:

0208 080 6592 ; 0330 088 5830 ; 0131 460 1196

0203 481 5237 ; 0203 481 5240 ; 0203 901 7895

0208 080 6591

The service will then prompt you to enter the meeting ID, which is **986 8595 6798**. Enter that number, followed by the # key. Next, it will ask you for a password, which is **634439**. Again, enter that number, followed by the # key.

**The service will be available to join on Zoom from 10.30am. Additionally, we will leave the broadcast running after the service so that you can enjoy a virtual 'coffee and chat' with others.**

A sound recording is also available by ringing local number (01759) 392041 from any phone. We welcome any feedback and if you have any problems, please do contact the Church Office.

Information about individual churches can be found on the Group website at: <https://www.pocklingtongroupofchurches.org>  
**But please also check locally for up to date information.**

<b>Burnby St Giles</b>	St Giles - open for private prayer. To arrange for this, please contact Julia or Chris Soukup on 01759 306154 / 07774 898796.
<b>Great Givendale St Ethelburga</b>	Our church building is open 10am - 5pm every day for private prayer.
<b>Hayton St Martin</b>	No information.
<b>Huggate St Mary</b>	Church <b>open daily</b> for private prayer. Services now reduced to twice a month.
<b>Londesborough All Saints</b>	Our Wednesday opening of church for visitors has now ceased until the Spring.
<b>Millington St Margaret</b>	Open for private prayer <b>every day</b> with all necessary arrangements in place.
<b>Nunburnholme St James</b>	No information.
<b>Pocklington All Saints</b>	Church open, for private prayer only, <b>Tuesdays</b> from 10am-midday.
<b>Shiptonthorpe All Saints</b>	Church open for private prayer 12noon-4pm <b>Wednesdays</b> . No services at present.

***I am not sure if this information is up to date or accurate - perhaps the church wardens could update me please?***

## **The value of the one** *by Rodney Nicholson*

Last Sunday morning, I was greeted by the churchwarden at Seaton Ross, David Raffaelli, with an apology that there would only be him and me for the service. I'm very fond of Dave, a retired professor at the department of Environment and Geography at York University, so didn't mind at all. I expected, however, the service to last less than the usual 45 minutes, as I wouldn't preach a sermon, as such, but have a conversation. In fact, I didn't leave St Edmund's church until an hour and a quarter later, after an enjoyable time with Dave, which taught me one or two things, and only just arrived at Londesborough in decent time for my second service.

Dave told me that once, when he was a lecturer at Aberdeen University, he made a 200-mile round trip to give a lecture on Biodiversity, at which one person turned up. He gave a similar lecture a week later to an audience of two hundred. So you never can tell!

I remember an evangelist saying before a mission: "Never mind the crowds; just think about the ones and twos." Certainly congregations of tiny numbers can be disheartening, and we shouldn't be complacent about people not coming to church. Even so, every person has value.

Derek, in the parish where we last lived has been a committed Christian and active church member since the late 1940s. He has also been involved with various social projects, such as care for the homeless and the food bank, as well as doing humanitarian work in Romania and Haiti. But it all began one Sunday evening in Preston when he and two other teenagers, out of boredom, dropped into a Youth for Christ event at a Methodist chapel. They had been thrown out of two cinemas and only went to the chapel for a laugh and somewhere to go.

God had other ideas. As the preacher finished his talk he invited any who wanted to give their life to Christ to come to the front for a prayer. All three lads did so. One soon fell away from the faith

but the other two, including Derek, never looked back. That preacher, under God, changed a network of future lives.

I once heard of another preacher who travelled to a chapel, only to find a congregation of one family. But he spoke with conviction and the boy found faith in Christ. Every meeting, conversation or word of encouragement matters greatly. They could have eternal consequences for good.

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**Millington Heritage Exhibition** has a display: 'The Emmaus Road Window by Thomas Denny.' The display gives information about the window at St Margaret's church and the work of Thomas Denny, the renowned stained glass maker. He has designed windows for more than 50 churches and cathedrals around the UK. St Margaret's church is open every day 10.00am - 4.00pm .

*Joy Hadley*

<b>Services on 17 January 2021, Epiphany 2</b>		
<b>9.15am</b>	<b>Huggate</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b>
<b>10.45am</b>	<b>Pocklington</b>	<b>Special Service</b>

<b>Services on 24 January 2021, Epiphany 3</b>		
<b>9.15am</b>	<b>Great Givendale</b>	<b>Holy Communion BCP</b>
<b>10.45am</b>	<b>Londesborough</b>	<b>Morning Prayer BCP</b>
<b>10.45am</b>	<b>Pocklington</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b>

**The list of services will be published on a weekly basis, and may be subject to changes.**

If you wish to receive notification of weekly updates and website links, please forward your email address to the church office, [office@allsaintspock.plus.com](mailto:office@allsaintspock.plus.com)

Office phone number is **01759 306045**.

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