



SUNDAY 7 DECEMBER 2025

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Thank you for joining us today at Otley Parish Church.

If this is your first visit – *an extra special welcome!*

We're pleased you are here and would love to see you again soon.

OUR SERVICES TODAY

8.30am

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

10.30AM

SERVICE OF THE WORD WITH BAPTISMS

Theme:

"Second Sunday of Advent: Peace"

Bible Readings:

Isaiah 11:1-10 / John 16:26-33

►► We would love you to stay for refreshments after this service ◀◀

Prepare the Way of the Lord

An hour of prayer to simply 'wait on the Lord', as in Advent we seek to 'prepare the way of the Lord'. This is taking place in the Parish Room on the second and third Sundays in Advent: 7th and 14th December.



Otley Parish
CHURCH

WHAT'S ON

7 - 14 December

Sun 7	8.30am 10.30am	Service of Holy Communion Service of the Word with Baptisms <i>Service streamed (see below for direct link)</i> Sunday Club (KS1, KS2 and pre-schoolers) OPC Youth (for those in school years 7-13) "Wait on the Lord" Prayer Evening - see page 1	
	7.00pm		
Mon 8	10.00am 2.00pm	Craftynuts Craft Group Ladies Fellowship: Advent Meeting	PR PR
Tue 9	11.00am 1.30pm	Service of Holy Communion Open House – a Safe Space where anyone can drop in to enjoy refreshments, board games and relaxed company.	PR PR
<div> <div>▲▲▲</div> <div>CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL STARTS TODAY</div> <div>▲▲▲</div> </div>			
Wed 10	9.30am 12 noon 1.00pm	Little Rascals ▲ CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL ▲ Baby Rascals	PR PR
Thur 11	10.00am 6.30pm	▲ CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL ▲ Church Choir Practice	
Fri 12	10.00am 7.00pm	▲ CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL ▲ Concert by The Chippendale Singers and Westgate Primary School	
Sat 13	10.00am	▲ CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL ▲	
Sun 14	10.30am	All-age Nativity Service <i>Service streamed (see below for direct link)</i>	
	4.00pm	▲ CHRISTMAS TREE CAROL SERVICE ▲ <i>followed by refreshments</i> <i>Service streamed (see below for direct link)</i>	
	6.00pm	OPC Youth on Sunday evenings for those in school years 6-13 (parish room)	
	7.00pm	"Wait on the Lord" Prayer Evening - see page 1	

FREE!!

Yes, free church pocket diaries for 2026 are available to pick up from the back of church.

● **Service streaming:** where service streaming is mentioned above, each service is available to watch at home from this time onwards. Previous services are also available. Use the link below to take you straight to our services on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/@otleyparishchurch>

LOOK WHAT'S HAPPENING

CHRISTMAS IS COMING!

Your help is needed please, for our

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

10th – 14th December

Monday 8th 2pm

We need your help, please, inside the church, to assist with the setting up of tables and staging ready for the arrival of the Christmas trees.

Tuesday 9th 1pm

We need your help, please, with the carrying of 44 Christmas trees from beside the Kirkgate Arcade, up the path and into the church. Then, please, put the trees in the stands and attach the lights.

Welcomers 10th - 13th

We need your help, please, as a Welcomer during the Christmas Tree Festival. Please see BARBARA if you can help.

Mince Pies, Cakes, Cookies & Tray Bakes

We need your help with the café, and would appreciate boxes of mince pies and cookies.

After the Christmas Tree Carol Service on

Sunday 14th we would love to treat our guests to a sweet treat feast. Please can you help with a cake or tray bake.

If you can help in any of these ways, please see BERYL or JACKIE.



"AT HOME WITH THE HIRDS"

Martin and Jackie would love you to join them on Thursday 18th December.

Come for a chat and festive refreshments.
Drop in anytime between 10am and 3.30pm.
Stay for as long or as short as you like.
All ages welcome.



OTLEY PARISH CHURCH

Christmas **TREE FESTIVAL**

December 10th - 13th

Wednesday 12 noon-5pm

Thursday 10am-5pm

Friday 10am-5pm

Saturday 10am-5pm

**Musical performances
throughout each day**

**Christmas Tree
Carol Service**

Sunday 14th at 4pm

**Tea and coffee with mince
pies will be available from
Thursday to Saturday
and after the Carol Service**

Admission FREE daily

**Charity donations will be
very much appreciated**

**Friday 12th Concert
at 7pm**

with the

**Chippendale Singers
& Westgate School**

Adults £5 • Children Free



PRAYER CHANGES THINGS

Prayer for Today, 2nd Sunday of Advent

Almighty God,
purify our hearts and minds,
that when your Son Jesus Christ comes again
as judge and saviour,
we may be ready to receive him,
who is our Lord and our God. Amen.

Please pray for our local community and the world:

Our topic for the week ahead:

•Human Rights

Those who live and work in the Otley streets of:

•Gallows Hill •Garnett Street

Our Church family who are experiencing health issues:

•Gwyneth Blackburn •Eddie Butlin •Peter Hipwell •Wendy Hipwell •David Parkin •Carol Porter •Clifford Porter •Peggy Reeve •Sheila Simpson

Those in residential care homes:

•Marjorie Dunn •Nancy Lester •Noreen McCormack

OTLEY PARISH CHURCH CONTACT DETAILS

General Enquiries: Church Administrator, Sarah McCormack, 'The Chestnuts', Burras Lane, Otley LS21 3HS. Office hours: Tuesday -Thursday 9.30am - 3.00pm (hours may vary occasionally). Tel: 01943 465927 info@otleyparishchurch.org

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Enquiries for Baptisms/Christenings/Weddings: Church Administrator (see above)

Church Website: <https://otleyparishchurch.org>

NOTICE SHEET INFORMATION

Send details to: stephenhey01@gmail.com by Wednesday 12 noon