



SUNDAY 25 JANUARY 2026

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 SERVICE TODAY

10.30am

SUNDAY WORSHIP with HOLY COMMUNION

Bible Readings:

Acts 2:41-47 / Matthew 6:21-29

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



Otley Parish
CHURCH

WHAT'S ON

25 JAN – 1 FEB

Sun 25	10.30am	Service of Holy Communion <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)
Mon 26	10.00am 1.30pm 4.30pm	Craftynuts Craft Group Funeral of Sean Muscroft Evening Prayer
Tue 27	11.00am 1.30pm 4.30pm	Service of Holy Communion - followed by light refreshments Open House - a Safe Space where anyone can drop in to enjoy refreshments, board games and relaxed company Evening Prayer
Wed 28	9.30am 1.00pm 4.30pm	Little Rascals Baby Rascals Evening Prayer
Thurs 29	4.30pm	Evening Prayer
Fri 30	10.00am 7.00pm	Friday Café OPC Youth Group
Sun 1	8.30am 10.30am 6.00pm	Service of Holy Communion Service of the Word Sunday Club (KS1, KS2 and pre-schoolers) OPC Youth (for those in school years 7-13) ACTIVATE – Lively, Informal, Reflective Worship (followed by pizza, tea & coffee)

- Where no location is shown the above events will be held in the main church building. Otherwise, locations are as follows:
PR Parish Room at Otley Parish Church (within the main Church building)

- 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

OTLEY HERITAGE TRAIL

As part of our Carbon Net Zero Group's aim to engage more with the heritage of our church building and town of Otley in general, we are planning to arrange a **monthly 'Heritage' walk** around the town ending up in our Parish Room for light refreshments, starting in the Spring. This would be followed by a 'Heritage' tour of the church building. We need volunteers to help with the walk - a draft script and directions have already been written and tested. Allowing for stops and questions, the walk will last for a maximum of **1½ hours**. If this is something you think you could help with, please speak to **Norman Barr, Allan Boddy or Martin Hird**.

- Are you interested in exploring the Christian faith?
- Then the ALPHA COURSE is for you!!

It is a relaxed, welcoming space in which to explore the Christian faith. No pressure. No judgement. Enjoy food, meet people, watch a talk, ask questions. And it's free!



The course will be held every Tuesday at Otley Parish Church for 11 sessions from 3rd February at 6.30pm.

To join us, please speak to Tom, Kate or Lindsay, or email us at alpha@otleyparishchurch.org Everyone is welcome!

Please Keep in Touch

We would love you to keep in touch and tell us what you would like to see in **your** monthly **IN TOUCH** Church magazine. If you've got something you would like to share with us in the March edition, please send it to our editor, stephenhey01@gmail.com

NO LATER THAN

Saturday 14th February

PRAYER CHANGES THINGS

Prayer for Today, the Third Sunday of Epiphany

God of all mercy, your Son proclaimed good news to the poor, release to the captives, and freedom to the oppressed: anoint us with your Holy Spirit and set all your people free to praise you in Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please pray for our local community and the world:

Our topic for the week ahead:

- Overcoming racial prejudice (Holocaust Memorial Day – 27th)

Those who live and work in the Otley streets of:

- Hillridge Drive
- Hollin Gate

Our Church family who are experiencing health issues:

- Gwyneth Blackburn
- Eddie Butlin
- Pauline Coulter
- Peter Hipwell
- Wendy Hipwell
- David Parkin
- Carol Porter
- Clifford Porter
- Peggy Reeve
- Sheila Simpson
- Erika Twichell

Those in residential care homes:

- Nancy Lester
- Noreen McCormack

Those who have recently been bereaved and are facing funerals at OPC, especially the family and friends of:

- Sean Muscroft (Monday 26 January at 1.30pm)
- Eric Johnson (Monday 2 February at 1pm)
- Brian Whitaker (Thursday 5 February at 1pm)

OTLEY PARISH CHURCH CONTACT DETAILS

CONTACTS:

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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Treasurer: Tony Pike 07977 463562 treasurer@otleyparishchurch.org

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