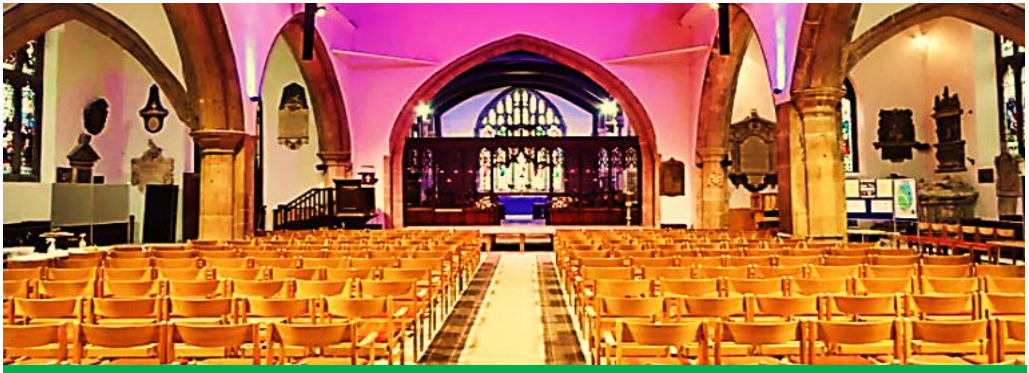


SUNDAY 8 MARCH 2026

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

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

Theme:
"Where's Your Heart?"

Bible Readings:
Luke 16:19-31 / John 11:38-44

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

A Place for Everyone
Christ
at the Centre

Otley Parish
CHURCH

WHAT'S ON

8 - 15 MARCH

Sun 8	**10.30am**	**Service of Holy Communion** *Service streamed (see below for direct link)* **Sunday Club** *(KS1, KS2 and pre-schoolers)* **OPC Youth** *(for those in school years 7-13)*	
Mon 9	**10.00am**	**Craftynuts Craft Group**	PR
	2.00pm	**Ladies Fellowship** – Speaker: Jo from "Like Nana Did"	PR
	4.30pm	**Evening Prayer**	PR
Tue 10	**11.00am**	**Service of Holy Communion -** *followed by light refreshments*	
	1.30pm	**Open House -** *a Safe Space where anyone can drop in to enjoy refreshments, board games and relaxed company*	PR
	4.30pm	**Evening Prayer**	
Wed 11	**9.30am**	**Little Rascals**	PR
	1.00pm	**Baby Rascals**	PR
	4.30pm	**Evening Prayer**	
	1.00pm	**Funeral of James Mather** (Rawdon Crematorium)	
Thur 12	**12.00pm**	**Funeral of Peter Hipwell** *followed by refreshments*	
	4.30pm	**Evening Prayer**	
	6.30pm	**Church Choir Practice**	
Fri 13	**7.00pm**	**OPC Youth Group**	PR
Sat 14	**6.00pm**	**Otley and Ilkley Choral Societies Concert: Mendelssohn's "Elijah"** *For ticket details see* ***www.otleychoral.co.uk***	
Sun 15	**10.30am**	**Service of the Word** *Service streamed (see below for direct link)* **Sunday Club** *(KS1, KS2 and pre-schoolers)*	
	7.30pm	**Sunday Prayer and Worship Gathering:** *An hour together to praise God, hear from God's word, and pray for Otley. All welcome!*	PR

- **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

HERITAGE, COMMUNITY and CLIMATE

A sustainable future for Otley Parish Church

Charity Stall under the Buttercross, Otley
Saturday 4th April 2026
9.00am to 1.00pm

We are pleased to announce that Otley Town Council has given us permission to use the Buttercross for our next fundraising event in aid of our Roof Fund.

We anticipate including the following stalls:

- Local craft goods
- Homemade cakes, biscuits and pastries
- General saleable items (e.g. unused and unopened presents, but *not* bric-a-brac)
- Tombola

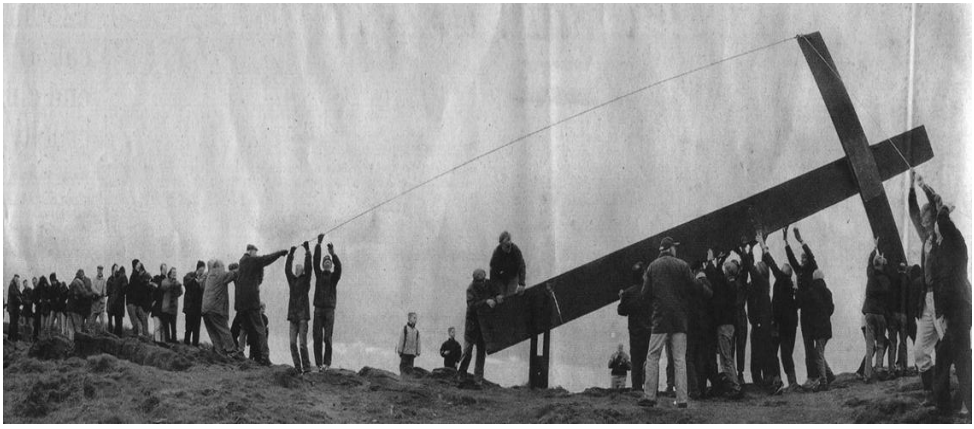
As always, we shall welcome your contributions for any of the above stalls. At the same time, we are asking for volunteers to help on the stalls on the day. We will be aiming to set up from 8.30am on the 4th April.

For offers of help or clarification of what's required, please speak with **Jane Fernandes**, **Lesley Noble** or **Trevor Williams** (trevorw2@sky.com).

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN OTLEY

THE CHEVIN CROSS

2026



Volunteers are required to raise the cross on the Chevin on:

Saturday March 21st at 9.30 a.m.

(approx. 50 persons are needed, 12 being able to be at Sinclair's Warehouse, Bremner St. at 9.00 a.m. to assist with loading up)

CAN YOU BE THERE?

Very Important: please read the Health & Safety risk assessment and guidance

Available on the Churches Together pages of the Otley Parish Church website

www.otleyparishchurch.org/cto

The cross will be taken down on:

Saturday 18th April at 9 a.m.

Again, help would be gratefully appreciated

THANK YOU

(Parking o.k. for volunteers until 11 a.m. on both dates)

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN OTLEY

The Chevin Cross
2026

Good Friday Service:

Friday 3rd April at 12 noon

and

Easter Sunday Service:

Sunday 5th April at 7.00 a.m.

(Parking charges are in place at the Surprise View car park from 8 a.m.)

All welcome!

PRAYER CHANGES THINGS

Prayer for Today, the Third Sunday of Lent

Eternal God, give us insight
to discern your will for us,
to give up what harms us,
and to seek the perfection we are promised
in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please pray for our local community and the world:

Our topic for the week ahead:
●Youth work in our parish

Those who live and work in the Otley streets of:
●Leeds Road ●Linfoot Court

Our Church family who are experiencing health issues:
●Gwyneth Blackburn ●Eddie Butlin ●Wendy Hipwell ●David Parkin ●Carol Porter ●Cliff 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:
●James Mather (Funeral 11th March, Rawdon Crematorium at 1pm)
●Peter Hipwell (Funeral 12th March at 12pm)

OTLEY PARISH CHURCH CONTACT DETAILS

CONTACTS:

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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**