

Welcome  
to  
Holy Trinity &  
St Oswald's Church





# Welcome!

We are a very friendly church with a good sense of humour. We take joy in our faith and fellowship as you will hopefully find out.

We welcome all ages and stages of faith. Whether you've never been in a church before, or you've just moved to the area and are looking for a new church; perhaps you're just visiting, or maybe enquiring about a baptism; if you're 5 years old, or 105 years old you are very welcome.

Within this booklet you will hopefully find out more about us as a church, the different services we have, our work with children and young people, links with the community and the variety of events we hold.



Valentines Tea Dance



Race Night



Christmas in the Church Yard



Organathon



Easter



Annual Pantomime



Youth Group Summer Party

# Who's Who?



Rector

Reverend Neil Redeyoff

Church Wardens

Paul Reeves and Mark Williamson



Centenary Project

Youth & Families Worker

Hannah Redeyoff

Baptism Coordinator &  
Children's Minister

Karen Robinson



Reader & Pastoral Coordinator

Margaret Liddle

# Baptisms

If you are thinking of a Baptism please do feel free to contact our Baptism Coordinator Karen on 01302 770607, or our Rector, Neil on 01302 770240.

We ask that you and your child come along to church and experience a service with us, this will hopefully be the first step on the journey. After the service please say 'hello' to our Baptism Coordinator Karen or our Vicar Neil and they will then help you take the next step in arranging a baptism for your child.



# Weddings

Your special day is important to us and we are always delighted to be able to help with the arrangements and planning for your special service in our church.

If you would like to discuss a wedding, or the renewal of wedding vows, then please contact or speak to our Rector, Neil, and he will make arrangements to meet with you and take things forward.

# Children & Young People

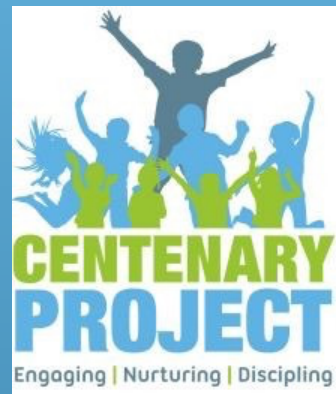
We are a child friendly church, children of all ages are made to feel very welcome within our church, as a church we believe:

**“The healthy, growing churches of today all have at least this one thing in common - great children’s ministries. They have invested in the next generation. They have poured resources, money and time into creating a culture where kids - our future - are valued and celebrated.”**



# Centenary Project Worker

As we believe we need to invest in this and the next generation we employed (September 2016) a Centenary Project Youth and Families Worker, Hannah Redeyoff. Hannah's role is shared between our church and St Michael's Church in Rossington. The Centenary Project is an initiative launched by the Diocese of Sheffield in 2015 aiming to 'seek to equip the local church to effectively engage, grow and disciple a new generation of young people, children and families.'



## Hannah's role involves;

- Overseeing all of the children's, youth and families work within our church.
- Coordinating the large team of volunteers we have, and building and supporting the existing teams involved in the development and delivery of the work.
- Ensuring we have relevant safeguarding and health and safety guidelines, including risk assessments and continuing training.
- Running our youth discipleship group Dynamite.
- Working with families through links with our church school, baptisms and Messy Church with our quarterly event for families.
- Developing links with our church school, St Oswald's Academy, and running the Archbishop of York Young Leaders Award.
- Helping to run the Christian Union (CU) at Hayfield Secondary School.



# Children's Facilities in Church

There is a children's area within church that has a range of toys, and toy bags themed on famous bible stories, although do not feel you need to stay in this area, please feel free to take them to your seat. We would like you and your child to feel welcome in our church, please do not worry about any noise that they may make. The toilets can be found through the door at the back of church where there is also a changing unit and potty available.



## Messy Church & Open The Book



We have teams of volunteers who regularly go in to two of the local primary schools; St Oswald's Church of England Academy and Auckley School delivering Open the Book. We deliver Messy Church in our church school, St Oswald's Academy on a monthly basis.

## Alight

Monthly worship event taking place at St Michael's Church on the 2nd Sunday of the month, 6:30pm - 7:30pm. Aimed at all ages but particularly the young people that our Youth Worker, Hannah, works with, but open to all in the Doncaster Youth Hub and our wider church family. Contemporary worship and a message or testimony shared.





# DYNAMITE - Youth Discipleship Group



We have a youth discipleship group, called Dynamite, for young people aged 11-18 that meets in church fortnightly, during term time, on a Monday evening 5pm-6:30pm with tea provided (pizza!). They have completed the Youth Alpha Course, looking at the basics of the Christian faith and issues that young people face from a faith point of view.

# CATALYST - Youth Group

CATALYST is our group for those in school years 5-9 (aged 9-14), they meet fortnightly on Monday evenings between 5pm-6:30pm. They have a chill out space, a reflective space, games, craft activities, and a whole load of fun. Check the board in church or our social media for the upcoming dates.



# Cafe 3:30



Monthly family Fresh Expression taking place usually on the 4th Sunday of every month, lasting up to an hour. With church set out in a 'cafe style' there is a different theme each time, with crafts, interactive activities, contemporary upbeat songs played on the keyboard, and delicious refreshments.



# Natter

A chance to have a cuppa, a cake and a Natter with friends. For people aged 60 and better, in church on Wednesday mornings, 10:30am until 11:30am.



# Start the Month with God

This is a chance to start the month with God. We meet on the first Monday of the month between 8.00am and 9.00am. We have a short service using Celtic prayers and read the Old and New Testament readings for the day, which we then discuss and there is time for a quiet or open prayer, and afterwards we share a simple breakfast together. If you are unable to come to church at this time but would like to Start the Week with God a copy of the readings which we use are available in church.

# Pastoral Visiting & Prayer Chain

We have a team who will visit people as the need arises. These may be visits to people in hospital or at home. We also have a prayer chain made up of several members of our church family which confidentiality shares prayer needs and requests.

For further details about any of the above - Start the Week with God, prayer time, healing ministry, pastoral visiting, the prayer chain or Natter please speak to Margaret Liddle, our Pastoral Coordinator (01302 864362).

# House Groups

We currently have 2 house groups that run fortnightly, one held in Finningley and one in Branton, anyone is welcome to join them, please speak to our Vicar who will point you in the direction of the house group leaders.

# Bible Study & Exploring Christianity Courses

Throughout the year we have a variety of Bible Studies or courses on offer for example Exploring Christianity and a series on big faith questions. Keep up to date with these via our social media.



# Church Yard

Our church yard has been a managed conservation area since 1994, for which it has won many awards. It is carefully managed as a sanctuary for wildlife and the many different varieties of plants that it attracts.

Within our church yard there are a few headstones that date back to the 1700s but most are from the 19th and first half of the 20th century. The oldest graves are generally those you see as you enter the churchyard with the 20th century graves towards the western end. These include a few War Graves, memorials to airmen who died before the Second World War. Just beyond the churchyard lies the new graveyard which houses the more recent graves from the second half of the 20th century to the present date. Situated adjacent to the former airfield of RAF Finningley, it also houses the war graves of those airmen who lost their lives in the Second World War and since that time.



# A bit of History

Our church is predominantly Norman in origin, at the back of the nave there is a Norman arch leading to the oldest part of the church, the tower which was built between 1080 and 1090. The north aisle was added in the 15th century, with the main nave dating from about 1280, as does the archway opening to the 14th century chancel. If you look up you will see that the roof was not made for this building, perhaps coming from a large hall to replace an earlier roof. On the south wall you will see a wooden board, originally hung in the chapel at RAF Finningley, donated to us when the RAF base closed in 1995. Above the altar is the east window, depicting realistic scenes of the battlefield, a tribute to those who served in the First World War and to the 22 local men who did not return. More information about the history of our beautiful church is available by the main door where you came in.

During April to July 2017 an amazing transformation took place, whilst retaining many of the historical features the interior was changed and adapted as it has been over the centuries to meet the current and future needs of the church and wider community. This means we now have level access throughout, an updated heating system, brand new kitchen, sound system, flexible seating and accessible toilets.



# Services

## 1st Sunday of each month

9.15am - *All Age Communion, with all ages and our church school helping with prayers, welcoming, sidespeople, drama and readings.*

12.30pm - *Baptisms by arrangement*

## 2nd Sunday of each month

9.15am - *Holy Communion from Common Worship*

## 3rd Sunday of each month

9.15am - *Holy Communion from Common Worship*

6:00pm - *A more Contemporary Service.*

## 4th Sunday of each month

9.15am - *Holy Communion from Common Worship*

3:30pm - *Cafe 3:30 Family Cafe Style event*

## 5th Sunday if we have one!

9.15am - *Usually an Iona Celtic style Communion*

# Contact Us

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# Cafe

@FINNINGLEY  
CHURCH

3:30

## Specials Menu 2020

26TH JANUARY

IN THE BEGINNING

23RD FEBRUARY

A FLIPPING GOOD TIME

22ND MARCH

MIRIAM, MOSES AND MUD

26TH APRIL

THE WALLS COME TUMBLING DOWN

24TH MAY

THERE'S A HOLE IN THE ROOF

NONE IN JUNE

19TH JULY

READY, STEADY, GO!

NONE IN AUGUST

27TH SEPTEMBER

A 9 FOOT GIANT

25TH OCTOBER

SHINING IN THE DARKNESS

22ND NOVEMBER

WE'RE GOING ON A JOURNEY

20TH DECEMBER

DIY CHRISTINGLE

Cafe style church at 3.30pm in St Oswald's Finningley, particularly suitable for families, but very much open to all.

With sweet treats, drinks, crafts, activities and more. To help with resources, please let us know you're coming via social media.