

Messy Christmas is here!

Join us on Sunday 17 December between 3pm and 4.30pm in COGS Children must bring a grown up

Come and experience the Good News of Christmas using glitter, glue and games!

Saturday Oasis in Armthorpe

St Leonard & St Mary's at Armthorpe are opening the church on Saturdays 9th, 16th and 23rd December between10.00am - 2.00pm for Advent Oasis.

If you are shopping in the area, pop in for a cuppa and chat. Take a moment to be still in all the busyness of preparations for Christmas. Put your loved one's name on the Memory Tree.

If you are visiting us for the first time you might find the following information helpful:

Loop System	to one of our welcomers.
To access the loop system switch your	Gluten-free wafers
hearing aid to the 'T' setting.	These are available at Holy Communion.
Large print	Please tell our welcomers if you need a
Large print service booklets, hymn books	gluten-free wafer.
and notice sheets are available on request	Gift Aid envelopes
from our welcomers.	These are available on the table at the
Accessible toilet	back of church if you wish to make a
To use an accessible toilet, please speak	donation and want to gift aid it.

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The Church of the Good Shepherd,

Kirk Sandall and Edenthorpe

a church in the heart of the community Part of the BEAKON Mission Partnership

Sunday 3rd December 2017, 1st Sunday of Advent



Prayer of this Week

Almighty God, as your kingdom dawns, turn us from the darkness of sin to the light of holiness, that we may be ready to meet you in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen

Readings for Today:

Old Testament: Isaiah 64:1-9 page 752

Gospel: Mark 13:24-37 page 1019 Services: Today 1st Sunday of Advent 9.00am Holy Communion 10.30am All-Age Worship

Next Sunday 10th December 2nd Sunday of Advent 10.30am Holy Communion 4.00pm Carol Service at St Oswald's Church



Dates for your diaries

Creative Company	Rokeby Gardens Christmas Service
Every Monday, 9.30am – 12.30pm in	Wednesday 6 December at 3.30pm.
the Church Hall.	No Church Hall Quiz in December
Sewing Group	because of the Bowker Concert
Every Tuesday, 12 midday — 4.00pm	COGS Coffee Morning
in the Church Hall.	Saturday 16 December 10am-
Craft Group	11.30am
Every Wednesday, 10.00am—	
11.30am in COGS Coffee Lounge	

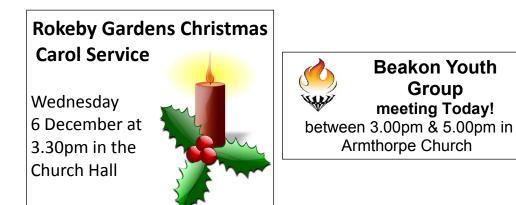
Children's Society Boxes

If you have any outstanding boxes, please bring them to church as soon as possible. Thank you



Decorating COGS Saturday 9th December at 2.00pm This is for the Church only.

Please could we have some volunteers to help detangle and thread garlands and baubles. There will also be some cleaning up to do when everything is up. If you can assist us please see Christine.



The Bowker Family Christmas Concert Saturday 9 December at our Church Hall Starts 7.30pm

Ticket prices are *Adults £6, Children £2, Family (2 adults + 2 Children) £14* **Tickets on Sale Now!** See Pauline and Christine for tickets.



St Oswald's Carol Services Sunday 10th December at 4.00pm & Wednesday 13th December at 7.30pm Everyone is invited to come along to these services being led by Revd Steve Beck. Please wrap up warm as it's very cold in church.



Saturday Coffee Morning at COGS

Our next Coffee morning is on Saturday 16 December with a Christmas theme Open between 10.00-11.30am in the Coffee Lounge at COGS Please come and join us!

Christmas Cards

You may have noticed that Christmas is rapidly approaching! We have again produced Christmas cards with a Christmas greeting and details of our services, for distribution to the homes in our parish.

This year Ivan has kindly produced new lists with accurate numbers of houses for each street. It would be great if you could volunteer to help distribute some of these cards.

Please sign your name against a street or streets where you will deliver and take an appropriate number of packs of cards – the cards are bundled in pack of 50. This is really a great way of each of us giving people the opportunity of hearing the amazing Good News which Jesus brings.