

# 5 February

Fifth Sunday of Epiphany  
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**Sunday Morning Songs of Praise**  
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Wednesday 15 February 2pm MU Hornby Institute  
Kath Lane – the life of Mary Sumner & the Mothers Union

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available now at the back of church **£7.99 £5**  
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### Hornby

10.45am Parish Communion every Sunday  
8am Holy Communion on 5 and 19 February

	Whittington	Arkholme	Gressingham
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12 February	9.30am SoP	9.30am HC	8am HC
19 February	9.30am HC	9.30am HC	-
26 February	9.30am SW	-	9.30am HC

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SW – Service of the Word (service without communion)  
EP – Evening Prayer (evensong)

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first Sunday of every month – next one is 5 March  
**Youth-led service 10.45am in Hornby church**  
third Sunday of every month – next one is 19 February  
**Midweek communion** Wednesdays 10am in Hornby

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