



17 December

Advent 3 · Isaiah 61¹⁻¹¹ · 1 Thess. 5¹⁶⁻²⁴ · John 1^{6-8,19-28}

8am Hornby · 9.30am Arkholme · 10.45am Hornby
4pm Whittington Carol and Crib Service
6pm Gressingham Carols by Candlelight

Before the Gospel:

After the Gospel:

O come, thou Wisdom from on high who orderest all things mightily to us the path of knowledge show and teach us in her ways to go

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!

OFFERTORY HYMN

Hills of the north, rejoice; river and mountain spring, hark to the advent voice; valley and lowland, sing; though absent long, your Lord is nigh; he judgement brings and victory.

Isles of the southern seas, deep in your coral caves pent be each warring breeze, lulled be your restless waves: he comes to reign with boundless sway, and makes your wastes his great highway.

Lands of the East, awake, soon shall your sons be free; the sleep of ages break, and rise to liberty. On your far hills, long cold and grey, has dawned the everlasting day.

Shores of the utmost West, ye that have waited long, unvisited, unblest, break forth to swelling song; high raise the note, that Jesus died, yet lives and reigns, the Crucified.

Shout, while ye journey home; songs be in every mouth; lo, from the North we come, from East and West and South. City of God, the bond are free, we come to live and reign in thee!

The funeral of **Bill Slater** will take place on Monday 18 December at 11am in Saint Margaret's, Hornby

The funeral of **Colin Ramsden** will take place on Thursday 21 December at 1pm in Saint Margaret's, Hornby

Carol singing round the streets will be on Monday 18 December, Tuesday 19 December, and Thursday 21 December, starting at Saint Margaret's Hornby at 6pm *in aid of Lancaster night shelter*

This Wednesday 20 December 7.30pm

Joint Churches Carol Service with the combined choirs of Saint Margaret's and Saint Mary's *in Saint Margaret's Hornby* followed by mince pies and mulled wine

Sunday 24 December

Morning services

9.30am Gressingham
10.45am Hornby

Afternoon Crib services

4pm Arkholme · 6pm Hornby

'Midnight Mass'

10pm Whittington
11.30pm Hornby

25 December

9am Gressingham
10am Whittington
10am Arkholme
10am Hornby

Sunday 31 December

10.30am United Benefice Service
Gressingham

Sunday 7 January · Hornby 8am and 10.45am
Whittington, Arkholme and Gressingham all 9.30am

Youth-led services 10.45am in Hornby church moving to the first Sunday of every month starting 7 January

Weekly Bible Study a closer look at today's readings, 2pm this Wednesday at Station House Arkholme

Midweek communion every Wednesday 10am including 27 December and 3 January, Hornby

For improved sound in all the churches switch hearing aids to the 'T' position

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