

2 December

First Sunday of Advent

Jeremiah 33¹⁴⁻¹⁶ · 1 Thessalonians 3¹²⁻¹³ · Luke 21²⁵⁻³⁶

Before the Gospel:

O come, O come, Emmanuel
and ransom captive Israel
that mourns in lonely exile here
until the Son of God appear

After the Gospel:

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

OPENING 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!

Saturday 8 December 10.30am to 12noon

Saint Margaret's Christmas Coffee Morning and Gift Day
with Cakes and Gifts Bring-and-Buy – *Hornby Institute*

Monday 10 December 2.30pm

Confirmation Service with Bishop Jill Duff (the new
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everybody welcome · *Saint Margaret's Church Hornby*

Wednesday 19 December 7.30pm

Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols

with the combined choirs of Saint Margaret's
and Saint Mary's – *at Saint Margaret's Hornby*
followed by mince pies and mulled wine

Sunday 23 December

10.45am Hornby · 4pm Whittington Carol Service
6pm Gressingham Carols by Candlelight

Monday 24 December

Crib Services 4pm Arkholme · 6pm Hornby
'Midnight Mass' 10pm Whittington · 11.30pm Hornby

Tuesday 25 December 9am Gressingham

10am Whittington · 10am Arkholme · 10am Hornby

SUNDAY SERVICES

Hornby 10.45am Parish Communion every Sunday
8am Holy Communion on 2 and 16 December

Whittington Arkholme Gressingham

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16 December	9.30am	9.30am	-

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

Midweek communion every Wednesday 10am *Hornby*

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