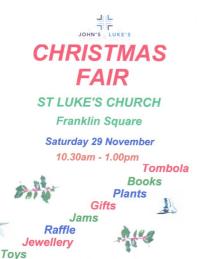






Making Disciples who make Jesus known

HEADLINE NEWS!



Light refreshments

including cakes/biscuits

Admission £3.00 which includes coffee and cake (accompanied children free)



Donations for the **CHRISTMAS FAIR** can be left in the boxes at both churches, cakes can be brought along on the morning.

Parents of all children currently in years 3/4/5 are invited to stay for a short meeting after the 10.30am service today at St John's to talk through the process for applying for foundation places at **ST AIDAN'S** school.

If this is something you may be looking to do for your child in the future we invite you to come along to understand the process and requirements expected.

TODAY'S SERVICES AND EVENTS

SUNDAY 23RD NOVEMBER (Christ the King; Sunday next before Advent)

9.00am Holy Communion (SJ) 10.30am Holy Communion (SJ)

Readings: Colossians 1:11-20; Luke 23:33-43

Hymns: AMNS 192; AMNS 140; AMNS 31; AMNS 147

10.30am All Age Worship (SL)

Readings: Colossians 1:11-20; Luke 23:33-43

Hymns: SB 185; SB 228; SB 92; SB 170

11.45am Yéar 3-5 Parent's Meeting (SJ) 6-7.15pm Ignite (Year 7+ Youth Group) (SL)

CHURCH LIFE

Kidz Klub Christmas Hamper Appeal 2025

This year is the 22nd year that our churches have collected for Kidz Klub, which does some fantastic work with families from inner-city Leeds. Last year, our unprecedented 74 hampers amounted to about one in every three that they gave out, and this is all thanks to your generosity and kind hearts and a generous grant from Foresters Financial thanks to Val.



There are boxes at the back of both churches for any donations and the last possible date to drop them off is **Sunday 30th November.**

Include as many of the following as possible: Christmas biscuits or chocolate logs, non-alcoholic mince pies, Christmas pudding, Christmas cake or stollen, savoury snacks (breadsticks, crackers, nuts, crisps), chocolates or sweets, pamper items such as bubble bath for adults, soft drinks, new craft materials, paper and card, stickers, colouring and activity books, crayons and pens, pencil sharpeners, small toys, jigsaws, books and games., Christmas crackers or other Christmas decorations. **Please do not include** any of the following: Basic food items (rice, pasta), meat products, alcohol or products containing alcohol [it is surprising how many Christmas goodies do], out of date food or food that will be out-of-date before Jan 2026, homemade foods, cakes or sweets.

Please do message me if you have any questions or if you require a collection. Donations of money are absolutely fine and they enable us to even up the hamper contents. Bless you all. Caroline Wise (07989 806314, cxwise1@gmail.com, 127 Skipton Road, HG1 4LJ)

Look out for Laura's article in December's FOCUS magazine for more details about Kidz Klub

Our **KIDZ KLUB** hampers will be put together after the joint service at St Luke's on 30th, so why not stay behind once you've got your coffee and help the team get the work done as quick as possible.

Soon Christmas cards may start to be delivered through your door so don't forget that **USED POSTAGE STAMPS** are still being collected by local Girlguiding to raise funds to finish off the rebuild of Birk Crag. Stamps can be dropped off in the parish office, at 22 Albany Avenue or 52 Hill Top Avenue.



Are you having a pre-Christmas clear out? The 10.30am service on Sunday 7th December at St John's is an All Age Parade Service but is also our annual **TOY SERVICE**. Please bring donations of any good quality used toys along as these will be given to the Martin House Children's Hospice shop in town for them to sell and raise much needed funds to continue the amazing work that they do with children and young people and their families. Representatives from Martin House will be there, including Marty Bear!

St John's Church, Bilton Lane, HG1 3DT St Luke's Church, Franklin Square, HG1 5EL



Christmas Fair Saturday 29th November, 10.30am-1pm

at St Luke's Church

* Sunday 30th November, 6.30pm at St John's Church

Carol Service Sunday 7th December, 2-3.00pm

at Dene Park Community Centre

Café Carols Sunday 7th December, 4.00pm

* at St Luke's Church

Coffee Morning Saturday 13th December, 10am-12noon

at St John's Church Hall

Christingle Service Sunday 14th December, 4.00pm

all proceeds to The Children's Society at St John's Church

Lilypad CarolsThursday 18th December, 8pm

at Lilypad, Kings Road

Nine Lessons & Carols Sunday 21st December, 6.30pm

at St John's Church

Nativity Service Wednesday 24th December, 4.00pm

at St John's Church

Midnight Communion Wednesday 24th December, 11.30pm

at St John's Church

*Christmas Day Communion Thursday 25th December, 10.30am

Joint Service at St John's Church



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THIS WEEK'S DIARY

MONDAY 24 NOVEMBER

9-9.30am Morning Prayer (SJ) 7.00pm PCC Meeting (SJ)

TUESDAY 25 NOVEMBER

9-9.30am Morning Prayer (SJ) 1.30pm Bilton Grange Rehearsal (SJ)

WEDNESDAY 26 NOVEMBER

9-9.30am Morning Prayer (SJ) 10.30am Holy Communion (SJ) 10.30am Thirst at Dene Park

Community Centre

Bilton Grange Rehearsal 1.30pm Worship Band Practice 7.30pm

(SJ)

THURSDAY 27 NOVEMBER

9-9.30am Morning Prayer (SJ) 9.30-11.30am Little Fishes (Parent

& Toddler Group) (SL) Bilton Grange Rehearsal

12-2.00pm Chapter (SL)

9.30am

FRIDAY 28 NOVEMBER

1-3.00pm Wellbeing Café (SL) 6.30-7.15pm Junior Choir Practice

7-7.45pm Adult Choir Practice (SJ)

SATURDAY 29 NOVEMBER

10.30am-1.00pm Christmas Fair (SL)

SUNDAY 30 NOVEMBER (First

Sunday of Advent)

9.00am Holy Communion (SJ) 10.30am **Joint** All Age Worship

(SL)

Ìsaiah 2:1-5: Readings:

Matthew 24:36-44

SB 163; SB 87; SB 185; Hymns:

SB 40

5.00pm Choir Practice (SJ) 6.30pm Advent Carol Service (SJ)

Ignite (Year 7+ Youth) 6-7.15pm

Group) (SL)

The next coffee morning is on Saturday 13th December in St John's Church Hall, 10am-12noon. As well as the usual stalls there will also be the chance to make **CHRISTINGLES** to be used at the 4pm service on Sunday 14th. All proceeds will be going to THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY. Entrance £1 includes tea/coffee and biscuits (accompanied children free) and there will be the usual stalls: hand-made cards ~ cakes ~ jigsaws ~ books ~ plus refreshments. Leave any donations for the raffle/tombola in the boxes at church, cakes to be brought on the morning.

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