

ST OSWALD'S SOWERBY



Sunday 29th September
2024

Welcome to St Oswald's Church, Sowerby

Readings: James 5:13-20, Mark 9:38-50

Sunday 29th	10:00am	Deanery Service at St Mary's Church, Thirsk (see notice overleaf)
Monday 30th	10:00am	Little Wonders Baby and Toddler Group (hall)**
Tuesday 1st	9:30am 10:00am	Prayer meeting (kitchen) Open the Book training – see notice overleaf if interested
Wednesday 2nd	9:30am	Holy Communion
Friday 4th	12:00pm	Warm Welcome Lunch (Hall)
Sunday 6th	8:30am 10:30am	Holy Communion Morning Praise*

Children's groups: All at 10.30am. 1st & 2nd Sundays is Godly Play in the Annexe. 3rd Sunday we're all in church for Worship for All. 4th Sunday: we're in church for the start of the service then we go out to Kids' Club and return to church for Family Communion.

*These services will be available on Zoom <https://zoom.us/j/2607227907>

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NOTICES

Sunday 29th September - 10am Family Communion with interactive prayers and talk (family friendly). This is an opportunity to worship together, receive teaching and reflections on John 1 from the Ven John Day (Diocese Growing Healthy Churches advisor).

A 'Come and See' Deanery Quiet day will be running after the morning service. We've got a great line up for the day together, people are welcome to come for all or part of the day. The whole day is themed around the gospel reading for the day, John 1:35-51.

11 coffee

11:30 Session 1 - 'Come and See' with children's activities catered separately by Rev Richard + Tracey

1-2 Soup lunch provided

2-3 Session 2 - 'Follow me' (with kids activities available)

3 short coffee

3:30-4 Session 3 - 'Greater things' (with kids activities available)

4pm closing Worship

Prayer requests – You might not know, but we have a small 'intercessions' book in church which is kept on the lectern. Each month this is updated with new prayer requests. If you would like the names of anyone in special need to be included in the Sunday intercessions please ask one of the leadership team (vicar, wardens etc). Please however seek the consent of anyone, who is to be prayed for publicly, before getting their name included in the book.

Prayer meeting – Everyone is welcome to join the prayer meeting which will run weekly on Tuesdays at 9:30am in the church kitchen. (On the second Tuesday of the month we will be in the Merriam Room).

*****Soup Lunch – Moving tables***** - Due to the increasing popularity of soup lunch we now need an additional volunteer (or two) each week to help with chairs and tables. If you are able to come and set tables up at 10:45am on a Friday and clear them away at 1-1:15pm this would be a great help. Please sign up under "Tables and chairs" on the rota at the back if you are able to help with this. There are also still spaces for kitchen volunteers to sign up too!



Dates for your diary -

CELLO CONCERT - Wednesday 23rd October at 7.30pm at St Oswald's Church, Front Street, Sowerby, Thirsk YO7 1JG: Following the success of last year's recital, James Halsey (of the Bingham String Quartet) will be giving another cello recital including Bach's Cello Suite no 2 (in D minor) and Bach's Cello Suite no 4 (in Eb major). Tickets: £10 at the door.

COFFEE CAKES & CRAFTS will be on Saturday 23rd November, 10 am - 12.30 in the Parochial Hall. Please come and support us and enjoy cake, crafts and a chance to chat. We will also need plenty of people to volunteer to set up and clear up, run the stalls, and provide home-made cakes, bottles and prizes for the raffle.

MEN'S GROUP – A Men's walk is planned for 26th October, meeting at Twisted at 9am for a 9.30am start, walking for around 2 - 2.5hrs and returning to Twisted where people are welcome to stay for a drink/snack before heading home. Please also earmark Nov 30th & the Jan 7th (dates tbc) in your diaries as we are planning a clay shoot in the morning at Thirkleby Shooting Ground. More details to follow.

Open the book - Open the Book Training Opportunity - Tuesday 1st October
Open the book (OTB) is a wonderful way to share the Gospel in our local primary schools. Currently OTB is done in 4 local primary schools meaning that about 600 local children regularly have the opportunity to hear a bible story, presented to them in an interactive way. Feedback from the children who hear these stories is overwhelmingly very positive.

To enable the teams to keep running and to hopefully be able to expand OTB into other local primary schools we are always looking to recruit new volunteers. A face to face training event has been arranged for Tuesday 1st October 10.00am – 1pm to be held at St Oswald's church. This is an ideal opportunity to come and see what OTB is all about and see if you might like to be involved. If you would like to discuss it further please contact me. Rachel Halkyard.



House Groups – these will be starting again on 3rd October. If you are interested in joining a House Group, please speak to David Brooke or David or Lorraine Bacon.

Collect – Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity
God, our judge and saviour,
teach us to be open to your truth
and to trust in your love,
that we may live each day
with confidence in the salvation which is given
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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Serve Sowerby.

