

PEW NEWS



KEY EC.=East Cottingwith, E.=Elvington, ES. = Escrick, N. = Naburn, SF. = Stillingfleet S.=Sutton, T.=Thorganby, W.= Wheldrake, RP. = Rivers Partnership, D = Deanery, B = Benefice

Rivers Partnership Website link

<https://theriverspartnership.org/>

For Livestreaming services go to YouTube and search for Derwent Ings Benefice, the services appear under the live tab. For zoom details use the login details in the diary. For assistance, email fiveparishoffice@yahoo.co.uk

RP. Livestream services from the Rivers Partnership

Sunday 19th July 10.30am Holy Communion

https://youtube.com/live/_kxfVIJB8m

Sunday 20th September 10.30am Holy Communion

Sunday 27th September 2026 –Trinity 17

N. 10.30am Holy Communion

ES. 10.30am Morning Prayer

S. 10.30am Five Parish Holy Communion

Monday 28th

RP. 7.00pm Deanery Zoom Prayers

Meeting ID: 883 5118 4785 Passcode: 262773

Tuesday 29th

W. 10.00am Sharing Life in the Wenlock

Wednesday 30th

B. 9.30am Healing Prayer Fellowship at home

Thursday 1st October 2026

ES. 9.30am Holy Communion

RP. 7.00pm Zoom singing

Meeting ID: 823 6552 6598 Passcode: 416958

Friday 2nd

W. 10.30am Cottage Communion

Sunday 4th October 2026 – Trinity 18

N. 10.30am Three Parish Holy Communion

E. 10.30am Harvest Holy Communion

W. 10.30am Harvest Gift Day

W. 3.00pm Bread and Cake

S. 4.00pm Harvest Service

Monday 5th

RP. 8.00am Partnership Prayers at Wheldrake

RP. 7.30pm Home Group at 41 Cranbrooks

ES. 7.30pm Escrick, Naburn and Stillingfleet CPCC meeting

Wednesday 7th

B. 9.30am Healing Prayer Fellowship at home

RP. 7.00pm Zoom Evening Prayer

Meeting ID: 833 1996 8678 Passcode: 134900

Thursday 8th

ES. 9.30am Holy Communion

3.30pm Messy Church

Sunday 11th October 2026 – Trinity 19

ES. 9.00am Holy Communion

T. 10.30am Harvest Festival

S. 10.30am Holy Communion

SF 10.30am Holy Communion

EC. 3.00pm Harvest Festival

W. 6.30pm Evensong

Monday 12th

RP. 8.00am Partnership Prayers at Wheldrake

RP. 7.30pm Home Group at 41 Cranbrooks

Tuesday 13th

W. 10.00am Sharing Life in the Wenlock

Wednesday 14th

B. 9.30am Healing Prayer Fellowship at home

RP. 7.00pm Zoom Evening Prayer

Meeting ID: 833 1996 8678 Passcode: 134900

Thursday 15th

ES. 9.30am Holy Communion

T. 10.30am Thorganby Coffee Morning in the Village Hall

3.30pm Messy Church

W. 7.00pm ManTalk in the cottage

RP. 7.00pm Zoom singing

Meeting ID: 823 6552 6598 Passcode: 416958

Saturday 17th

W. 1.00pm Knit and Natter in the Cottage
Sunday 18th October 2026 – St Luke the Evangelist

N. 9.00am Harvest Festival
ES. 10.30am Holy Communion
W. 10.30am Holy Communion
E. 6.30pm Refresh

ES. Christmas Tree Festival

Escrick Church are holding a Christmas Tree Festival between 4th and 6th December You can enter a tree

Trees can be any design, any medium and it is free to enter. Closing date for entries is 1st November. A copy of the entry form is attached which contains full details.

Visitors will be asked to vote for their favourite tree, for which there will be a small prize. Booking are now being taken by Christine at escrickpcc@gmail.com

The Festival will be open

- Friday and Saturday 10am to 4pm
- Sunday 12 noon to 4pm.

There will be refreshments, tombola and a raffle.

ES. Christmas Wreath making workshop

On Thursday 3rd December, starting at 6.30pm for 7pm. It will be run by Riverbend Flowers. Cost is £40 to include all materials, tuition and a glass of mulled wine and mince pies. It is pre-booking only and booking are now being taken by Christine at escrickpcc@gmail.com

RP. Sharing Life

Sharing Life will run on Tuesday September 29th, October 13th, November 3rd and 17th at the Wenlock Arms from 10-12 for its coffee mornings. We welcome all ages for free coffee, cake and an opportunity to make new friends and catch up with established ones. If you

would like to volunteer we would love to hear from you. Just pop in for a chat! We look forward to seeing you! Ruth, Katie, Emma, Kelly and Karen. 07355 134509
Sharinglifewheldrake@gmail.com



W. Maintenance Cremation areas

Is there anyone (ideally two people) who could spare an hour or so a month to look after these areas of the churchyard. There is one area to the east of the building and one on the north side of the churchyard. The job is to remove dead flowers and wreaths and keep on top of any weeds and autumn leaves invading the gravel.

RP. The Rivers Partnership Prayers for the Five Marks of Mission.

Across the partnership the five marks of mission teams are helping to make our Plan For Growth (P4G) a reality. Please use this prayer cycle to include the teams and those who lead them in your daily prayers.

Tell To proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom (Led by Mike Beresford)

Teach To teach, baptise and nurture new Believers (Led by Jackie Doyle-Brett)

Tend To respond to human need by loving service (Led by Bryony Beresford)

Transform To seek to transform unjust

structures of society, to challenge violence of every kind and to pursue peace and reconciliation (Led by Caroline Wandless) Treasure To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth. (Led by Alison Stead)

September 2026

27th Transform



St Helen's Church
WHELDRAKE

GIFT DAY

Letter 2026

Sunday 4th October

Join us for our Harvest Service and support our church on Gift Day.

Help us keep our church at the heart of Wheldrake

This year St Helen's Church is holding a Gift Day on 4th October. The funds raised will help with the rising cost of maintaining the church property, together with meeting our responsibilities within the wider Church of England.

Our latest figures (31 December 2025):

Unrestricted Income	£43,929.33
Unrestricted Payments	£48,762.16

This shows that the Church is unable to cover the necessary upkeep of the church building, cottage and churchyard out of its income, and we are therefore holding a Gift Day. We look forward to welcoming you.

Jackie Doyle-Brett
Rector

Michol Rawet and Paul Botting
Churchwardens

If you cannot join us but would like to make a gift by bank transfer the church's bank details are:

Name	Wheldrake PCC
Account number	48804708
Sort code	72-06-00

Thank you

Urgently needed Items: Tinned Veg (Carrots, Peas, Sweetcorn, Potatoes) They are running low of: Tinned Vegetarian Meals, Tinned Baked Beans & Tinned Spaghetti, Tinned Tomatoes, Tinned Veg (Carrots, Peas, Sweetcorn, Potatoes), Small Jars of Coffee, Tinned Rice Pudding and Custard, Tinned Fruit, Bottles of Squash, Small Packets of Biscuits, Sweets/Chocolate, Sugar They are running low of non-food: Disposable Razors and Shaving Foam, Bars of Soap, Household Cleaning Sprays, Shampoo, Men's and Ladies Deodorant, Laundry Detergent **THERE ARE ALSO FOOD COLLECTION POINTS:** at Waitrose (Foss Islands), Asda (Monks Cross), Tesco (Askham Bar), Work With York (Castlegate), and at Foodbank Warehouse (Clifton Moor) **DONATING MONEY:** You can also support the Food Bank work by donating via this link [here](#)

W. Wheldrake Harvest Festival



During October which begins with our Harvest Festival service on 4th October, there will be a York Food Bank collection basket in the Church next to the old font. Please add to our harvest collection by placing items from the list below in the basket during October Single Most



HARVEST SUPPER

PIE & PEAS and PUDDING
served 6-7.30PM

LINE DANCING
starts at 7.30PM

THORGANBY VILLAGE HALL
FRIDAY 9TH OCTOBER

TICKETS
£8 ADULTS
£4 CHILDREN (UNDER 12)
PAYABLE ON ENTRANCE

BAR

RAFFLE

Come and enjoy some fun and laughter line dancing!

ALL PROCEEDS FOR THORGANBY CHURCH

RP. The Archbishop of York's Advent Book 2026



Bishop Eleanor Sanderson launched Walking with Angels, the Archbishop of York's Advent Book for 2026. Through the practice of prayer walking, the book invites readers to slow down and reflect on the words of angels throughout Scripture as they journey through Advent. With prompts for personal reflection and group discussion, it offers churches, groups, and individuals a different way to prepare for the coming of Christ this Advent.

<https://ev5v1.r.sp1-brevi.net/mk/cl/f/sh/6rqJfgq8dIPRQO2U6MhHocN0iWO/iuszCsI2GV4J>



Concert by the Elvington Community Choir and local soloists. .

Please invite everyone you can - it should be a lovely evening of music.

Tickets on the door £7 (£3 children).

Refreshments in the interval with raffle.

Fundraising concert for Church funds for maintenance work in the church.



The Cinnamon Trust needs additional dog walking volunteers in Wheldrake—YO19 postcode area

Could you volunteer to offer some support to older residents of Wheldrake and their

delightful dog who would love some walking companions?

If the answer is yes we would be delighted to hear from you.

You would become part of a small team of volunteers assigned to a particular owner and their dog walking on a rota basis to suit your availability, the aim being that the dog gets a good walk several times a week. Volunteers who are able, also foster pets as one of their family when owners face a spell in hospital or respite care, they take pets to the vet, even clean out the budgie's cage or cats litter trays.

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer have a look at our website for details about the trust and what we do www.cinnamon.org.uk you can also complete and submit our volunteer registration form through the web site or email us at appeals@cinnamon.org.uk If you would like to have a more in-depth chat about becoming a volunteer, please call us during office hours (Monday-Friday 9am-5pm) on 01736 758 701

The Cinnamon Trust is a Registered Charity No: 1134680. The Cinnamon Trust is a limited company registered in England and Wales. Registered Office: 10 Market Square, Hayle, Cornwall, TR27 4HE. Company Number 07004861

RP. Deanery Secretary - Vacancy

In June with the recently elected members from the APCMs in 2026 we need to appoint a new secretary. Alison Gilmour has decided that its time to retire after 13 years' service. The job is to take the minutes at the meetings (6 a year), be part of the Deanery Leadership team, maintaining an online list of all current members, creating publicity for Deanery events and services, circulating papers for our 3 statutory meetings each year, circulating notices from parishes who wish to invite Deanery friends to anything

events. There is a statutory requirement to produce and circulate to all PCCs at the beginning of the year an annual report (agreed by both the Dean and Lay Dean) of the proceedings of the Deanery Partnership during the previous calendar year which forms part of the reports to the APCM, unless the elected delegate submits their own to the parish. Additionally, updating our Deanery Plan and ensuring we review it regularly (biennially), managing our annual calendar of events, contacting speakers, pulling together clergy contributions to our Deanery Prayer Calendar, contacting editors of parish magazines. Computer literacy for word-processing and creating publicity materials is needed. Anybody can be the Deanery Secretary and can be co-opted to the Deanery Team. Please pray and think about whether you could do this vital job. Contact Jackie if you can help.



York Philharmonic Male Voice Choir
"Singing from the Heart"
Saturday 26th September 2026
7.30pm
In the Tower Room
St Nicholas Church
Dunnington

There will be a raffle during the evening

Tickets for the concert cost £8
a glass of wine or a soft drink
available in the interval

Tickets are available from

Joan Verrier 01904 481626
Judith Hewitt 01904 488331
Eve Scoreby 07746 765274

RP. Safeguarding Bulletin 11.09.26

Here is the latest link to the church safeguarding bulletin

<https://ev5v1.r.a.d.sendibm1.com/mk/mr/s/h/6rqJ8GoudeITQLIS6gUn0PYOn2u/efa0o2hWgro5>

RP. Sunday Reflection

This week's Sunday reflection can be found at

vimeo.com/dioceseforyork

Every week we offer a new prayer video for churches to use either online or in their services.

T. Thorganby Coffee Morning

Our next Coffee Morning is on Thursday 15th October in the village Hall at 10.30am. All welcome.

Collect for Trinity 17

Almighty God, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you: pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself, and so bring us at last to your heavenly city where we shall see you face to face; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

RP. Passcodes For Zoom Services

The zoom provider has recommended that we do not publish the passcode on the internet. For details email fiveparishoffice@yahoo.co.uk so that the information can be provided to you.

RP. Building Gospel Partnerships

We need advocates to build gospel partnerships with Mustard Seed churches and their communities. These partnerships recognise there is much that we can learn and receive from churches in our low-income communities. Do you have a passion to support mission in places where life is tough? For more information about the Advocates network, please visit the website www.mseed.org/advocates or contact by

email: mustard.seed@yorkdiocese.org or phone: 07852151740

D. Monthly Deanery Prayer

Led in turn by our Deanery clergy each fourth Monday of the month, this takes place via Zoom on 28th September beginning at 7.00pm. All are welcome and we finish by 7.30pm. Join Zoom Meeting: contact fiveparishoffice@yahoo.co.uk for the link.

Information for Wheldrake Church

There are accessible toilets in the cottage next door, Car parking by the church is limited. There is a children's area at the back of church on the left. There is a space for wheelchairs at the front of church on the left There is a hearing loop
Dogs are welcome
There are baby changing facilities in the cottage next door
There is flat access to the building
Our Rivers Partnership Safeguarding link is Dr Annie Hodgson.

ES. Mothers Union.

The only branch in the Rivers Partnership is based in Escrick and would welcome new members. You don't have to be a mother or even female; membership is open to all who have been baptised. If you are not baptised but still interested, that could be arranged. MU meetings are open to all and visitors are welcome. No pressure to become a member, just enjoy the session. If you are considering membership, but would like to meet nearer to home, come and meet us and we will help you to establish a branch nearer to you. You will have scope to tailor it to local availability. Some branches meet in the local pub. Escrick meet on the second Wednesday afternoon of the month as all of our members are retired, but we have held our summer meetings in the lighter

evenings. MU is a fabulous charity working to improve the lives of so many in countries world-wide, not through other charities but with our own members on the ground, be they local or visitors. I hope this has sparked your interest. Pamela Yates, Branch Leader, tel 01904 728423

RP. Derwent Lions Used Spectacles

Please donate your used spectacles on my doorstep. They are a huge help and Lions will make sure they are used to assist less fortunate people in seeing better. Keep leaving them outside 5 Derwent Park and hopefully we'll be able to keep helping those less fortunate. Lion Ken Hardgrave 01904 448198

Ken.hardgrave@binternet.com

RP. Yorkshire Rural Support Network

The Yorkshire Agricultural Society provides support and help for everyone in the Yorkshire farming community.

FCN Helpline 03000 111 999

Farming community network – practical help from farming people

RABI Freephone Helpline 0800 188 4444

Confidential help and support for all farming families and workers facing hardship

Addington Fund 01926 620135 –

addingtonfund.org.uk helping farmers with disaster relief and affordable rural housing

Perennial Helpline 0800 093 8543 –

perennial.org.uk supporting all those who work/have worked in the horticultural industry Samaritans Freephone 116 123 – jo@samaritans.org confidential emotional support 24 hours a day

Rural Life and Faith newsletter here is the

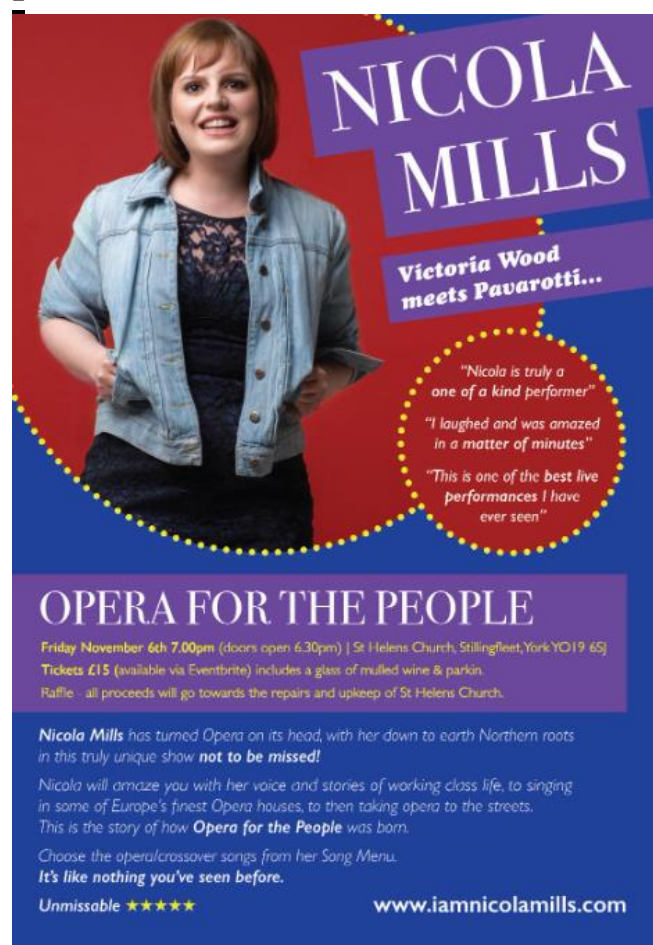
B. Home Fellowship Group

The Home Group meets on Mondays at 7.30pm till 9pm at 41, The Cranbrooks with Steve and Val Hirons. We are currently studying the Epistle of James. We choose hymns to begin and end our

discussion time and close with the Grace. Newcomers are very welcome.

next edition of the Rural Life and Faith newsletter is now available, sharing stories, reflections, and resources for those who live, work and worship in our rural communities

Read more



The poster features a woman, Nicola Mills, smiling and wearing a denim jacket over a dark top. The background is a mix of red and blue. Text on the poster includes:

- NICOLA MILLS**
- Victoria Wood meets Pavarotti...**
- Quotes: "Nicola is truly a one of a kind performer", "I laughed and was amazed in a matter of minutes", "This is one of the best live performances I have ever seen"
- OPERA FOR THE PEOPLE**
- Friday November 6th 7.00pm (doors open 6.30pm) | St Helens Church, Stillingfleet, York YO19 6SJ
- Tickets £15 (available via Eventbrite) includes a glass of mulled wine & parking.
- Raffle - all proceeds will go towards the repairs and upkeep of St Helens Church.
- Nicola Mills has turned Opera on its head, with her down to earth Northern roots in this truly unique show **not to be missed!***
- Nicola will amaze you with her voice and stories of working class life, to singing in some of Europe's finest Opera houses, to then taking opera to the streets. This is the story of how **Opera for the People** was born.*
- Choose the opera/crossover songs from her Song Menu. It's like nothing you've seen before.*
- Unmissable ★★★★★
- www.iamnicolamills.com

RP. Multiply Stories

Multiply is the name of an initiative to build new worshiping communities and make new disciples. This link can be used to read about the work that is going on around the Diocese

<https://mailchi.mp/yorkdiocese/inspiringideas-2024?e=346204007c>

E. Elvington Church Website

www.elvington-church.org.uk

RP. Tools with a mission- updated

25.09.26

This link will take you to the latest newsletter from TWAM

<https://mailchi.mp/twam.uk/september-2026-supporter-enews-666911?e=ca4eff56d4>

RP. Thank you

This week we are remembering the people who look after our churchyards at the churches across the Rivers Partnership. It would be good to have contribution from anyone in the benefice, so please email your suggestions for thankyou's for your villages

W. Prayer Tree

If there is someone or a situation on your heart which you wish to bring before the Lord, you are invited to visit the prayer tree at the back of church and stop for a moment to write a prayer

RP. Online prayer websites

Here are some prayer sites that you could try, see which you like

[Pray as you go](#)

[Celtic liturgies](#)

[Sacred Space](#)

[ReJesus](#)

[Green Christian Prayer Guide](#)

RP. CPCC and WPCC Minutes

The minutes for the last CPCC are published on the Wheldrake Church website.

http://www.wheldrakechurch.org.uk/?page_id=4540

RP. Safeguarding Bulletin – Updated

29.05.26

Click this link for the latest news from this team

<https://mailchi.mp/2f058e9bd2c0/diocese-of-york-safeguarding-bulletin-13430823?e=7770c3aa96>

B. Derwent Ings Facebook

Have you seen the Derwent Ings Facebook page? <https://www.facebook.com/DerwentIngsChurchesYork/> Please have a look and <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xh4EyDpfGJM> "follow" the feed!

RP. Organ Recital

Organist Jonathan Scott performs his solo organ arrangement of Sento in seno "Rain of Tears" (poggia di lagrimesi) by Antonio Vivaldi from his opera Il Giustino (RV 717). The translated words are included in the video. We hope you enjoy this video filmed at the wonderful Danion pipe organ of Sant Esteve, Andorra la Vella, Andorra <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=luG1Pm-7xRQ>

RP. Worship Music

[MP106 Come, you thankful people, come](#)
[Thank you Lord for sticks and stones,](#)
[Right where we are!](#)

[MP1036 Blessèd be Your name](#)

W. Wheldrake Church Website

www.wheldrakechurch.org.uk This is the link to the website here you will find policy documents, agendas and PCC minutes along with prayers and pew news

E. New way to donate to Elvington church

If you would like to support the church financially and help us maintain it for generations to come, [you can now also send donations using the "givealittle" website](#)

RP. Generosity Matters updated

10.09.26

Click on this link to read the latest news from the generosity team.

<https://mailchi.mp/cc9b267a083d/generosity-mailing-18176099?e=33945223ea>

RP. September at the Minster



Step into September at York Minster

As the busy summer season draws to a close, there's no better time to explore York Minster and uncover the history, stories, and architectural splendour that make our Gothic cathedral so extraordinary.

<https://mailchi.mp/yorkminster.org/christmas-2904351?e=c3266a8f12>

RP. Pew News Deadline

If you have anything to advertise, please send it to fivebees2000@yahoo.com by 6.00pm on Fridays.



Wheldrake Christmas Fair
28 November 10am – 3pm

RP. Diocese of York Prayer Diary

There is always somewhere, something or someone we can pray for. The Prayer Diary may help guide you and your church in praying for our diocese.

July – September Prayer Diary is available to download - find it at:

dioceseofyork.org.uk/diocesan-prayer-diary.



Deanery Prayer Calendar

27th September - 3rd October

Osbalwick with Murton

As this week we celebrate the feast of St. Michael and All Angels, pray for God's divine protection to surround churches and keep us safe from all adversities. May God's holy angels dwell with us and guard us in peace.

RP. Church Services radio/online

SUNDAY at 8.10AM - BBC RADIO
4 **SUNDAY WORSHIP**

'Praise the Lord' - A Celebration of Black British Gospel Music: Gospel choir directors Bazil Meade (London Community Gospel Choir) and Karen Gibson (The Kingdom Choir) chat to Swarzy Shire about the tradition of gospel music in the UK.

And at 10.45AM - BBC RADIO
4EXTRA **DAILY SERVICE**

Please use these notes for your own reference during the
week and for your prayers

RP. Zoom Singing

We meet online on Thursday 1st October.
New people are welcome to join in. If you
would like to, just use the login details in
the diary. We meet at 7.00pm, we'll do
some new some old and familiar ones and
some to learn. The beauty of this will be
that you can sing at the top of your voice
as you will be on mute.

B. York Minster Parish Pass 2026

As in previous years, Elvington,
Thorganby and Wheldrake PCC secretaries
have again received a renewed York
Minster Parish pass to issue to members of
the congregation permitting visitors free
entry this year. The Parish Pass entitles the
bearer to one adult free admission to York
Minster and the Undercroft for sightseeing
during normal opening hours (but excludes
entry to the Central Tower and evening
events). See more information, contact the
relevant PCC secretary to borrow them

Pray-er for the Benefice

Norma Bamber

Prayer Area

Narrow Lane, Gatehead Lane, Postern
Lane and Ballhall Lane (East Cottingwith)

E. Refresh! Service at Elvington



Elvington Refresh service takes place at
6.30pm pm on Sunday 18th October in
Elvington Church. - Please come if you
are able, and please spread the word.