

Monday : *9-30 to 11am Little Fishes in the Parish Hall

***11-30am Open the Book Practice in church**

Tuesday : 11am weekday Eucharist St James' Clifton

Wednesday: 10:30am Holy Communion followed by refreshments & fellowship

Thursday : Open the Book in 3 schools

Friday Choir Practice from 7pm

Next Sunday, May 3rd – 5th Sunday of Easter

9-45 am Parish Communion but NO Starfish Gang

4pm REFRESH@4 followed by YOUTHZONE

Dates for Upcoming Events & Services:

Sunday May 10th 9-45 am Parish Communion & Starfish Gang; It will be Revd Louise's last Sunday in the Mission Area & Farewell Lunch.

We are all invited to a **Bring and Share lunch** (finger-
food) on **10th May, 12 noon until 2-30pm at St Cuthbert's Church Hall. Please add your name on the list at the back of church so that we know numbers attending. Any queries speak to Lucy.**

Christian Aid week will run from May 10th to May 17th. There will be envelopes as usual. Also money from refreshments on 10th, 13th & 17th will go towards CA.

The APM & APCM will on May 13th 2026 at 7pm in church. Nomination papers are available for the election of: * 2 churchwardens, * 5 members of PCC (4 for 3 years and 1 for a year) & * 2 Deanery Synod reps. Completed papers to Dr Mary Holt, PCC Secretary.

May 14th 7pm Mission Area Ascension Day Service at St James. The new Community Engagement Officer for St James and the Mission Area, **Michael Bennett-Sylvester, will be welcomed at this service.** Please pray for him as he begins his work.

This will be also mark the start of "Thy Kingdom Come", the 10 days of prayers between Ascension Day and Pentecost. More details next week.

May 16th 10am-4pm Prayer Day at St James.

Tuesday 19th May Lunch with visitors from Burundi at 1:30 pm at St Cuthbert's - Claude, Filibien and Israel are visiting. They are ministers from the Anglican Church in Burundi. We will hear about the church there, break bread and pray with them.

Saturday 23rd May at 7pm Friends in Harmony Concert at St Cuthbert's in aid of Burundi. Tickets are available from John Patterson 07392 383600

Churchwarden: Alan Teale 07803021201

Assistant Churchwardens: Alan Bradbury 07711691594

& Val Dunsford (also Safeguarding Officer) 07966 291617

Reader: Patrick White 01709 370069 or 07740941921

Oversight Ministers: Rev Karen Skidmore, Priest in charge

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and Rev Caroline Wyman, Associate Priest 07835287653

Curate: Rev Dr Louise McInnes 07506321451

Rev. Sue Davies 07515881605

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**St. Mary Magdalene, Whiston
Part of the Mission Area with St Cuthbert & St James**

26th April 2026

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



**9-45 am PARISH COMMUNION & Starfish Gang
Thorne – Mass of St Thomas**

696 – Jesus, where'er thy people meet

800 – The Lord's my shepherd

Anthem: The Lord is my shepherd

(Arr. Glyn Jenkins)

671 – I will sing the wonderous story

2pm Baptism

We pray for those who have asked for our prayers, for all those who are ill at this time, in body, mind or spirit. We pray for those who are anxious, undergoing tests or treatment at home or in hospital or are in a care home temporarily or permanently.

We pray for the recently departed and for all those who mourn. We pray for those in our memorial book whose anniversary occurs this week: Edna Whitaker, Walter Watts, Margaret Marshall, Hilda Starling and Eva Dyson.

We pray for Revd Louise as she prepares to move and take on her new post. Her licensing will be at 7pm on June 4th at St John's Church in Deepcar

We pray for peace in the world and for all those suffering because of war especially in the Middle East, and in Ukraine and Russia.

We pray the Diocesan Vision Prayer: Living God, Jesus calls his followers to seek first your Kingdom. RENEW us as we make your love known; RELEASE us to share freely together in mission; and REJUVENATE us to be fruitful in your service. Give us courage, wisdom and compassion, that strengthened with the grace of the Holy Spirit, we may, as the Diocese of Sheffield, both flourish and grow through Christ our Lord. Amen

Reminder of Church Bank details for donations:

TSB Sort Code 77-74-02 Account Number 0007 1841

Cheque payable to " PCC for the Parish of Whiston"

To make best use of the hearing loop system in Church those who use a hearing aid should set their aid to the 'T' setting



After the Sunday and Wednesday morning services, please stay for refreshments. As a Church, we support Fairtrade.



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