

"Rejoice always, pray constantly, give thanks in all circumstances for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you"

1 Thessalonians Ch5 vv17-18.

In this leaflet it is hoped that, as a parish, we will find some direction and focus for our prayers that through praying together for the same things and the same people we may find a common purpose in responding to the needs of our world and our parish and place ourselves more readily into the hands of God.

It is hoped that either weekly or daily we can take some time together to pray wherever we are for the needs of our Church, our World, our parish, the individuals we come across and the departed. For, 'all things are possible for God'.

If you would like anyone or anything added to this prayer list, please hand it to the vicar in writing, the list will be revised weekly.

Daily Prayer for our Parish

Heavenly Father grant us grace in Goldthorpe, Hickleton and Bolton upon Dearne to worship you with all our being, to show your love to all our neighbours and to proclaim your saving power to all the world and in all we do to glorify your Name grant us humble and penitent hearts and all this through the saving merits of our faith in Jesus

THE PARISHES OF
GOLDTHORPE, HICKLETON &
BOLTON UPON DEARNE

Parish Intercession List

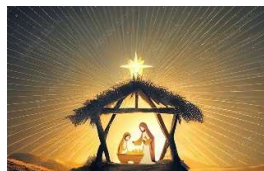


Week commencing
CHRISTMAS II

THE PARISH CHURCH OF SAINT WILFRID,
HICKLETON.

4th January 2026

CHRISTMAS II Year A



THE PARISH MASS

Missal page 116

When the bell rings we stand

The Angelus

The Angel of the Lord brought tidings to Mary

And she conceived by the Holy Spirit

Hail Mary, full of grace the Lord is with thee
Blessed art thou among women and blessed
is the fruit of thy womb Jesus

**Holy Mary, Mother of God pray for us
sinners, now and at the hour of our
death. Amen**

Behold the handmaid of the Lord

Be it unto me according to thy word

Hail Mary, full of grace the Lord is with thee
Blessed art thou among women and blessed
is the fruit of thy womb Jesus

**Holy Mary, Mother of God pray for us
sinners, now and at the hour of our
death. Amen**

And the Word was made flesh.
and dwelt among us.

Hail Mary, full of grace the Lord is with thee
Blessed art thou among women and blessed
is the fruit of thy womb Jesus

**Holy Mary, Mother of God pray for us
sinners, now and at the hour of our
death. Amen**

Pray for us O Holy Mother of God
**That we may be made worthy of the
promises of Christ**

Pour forth we beseech thee O Lord thy grace
into our hearts that as we have known the
incarnation of thy Son Jesus Christ by the
message of an angel, so by his *Cross and
Passion, we may be brought to the glory of His
Resurrection; through the same, Jesus Christ
our Lord

Amen

We sing our first Hymn

**See, amid the winter's snow,
born for us on earth below,
see the tender Lamb appears,
promised from eternal years.**

Refrain:

**Hail! Thou ever-blessed morn!
Hail, redemption's happy dawn!
Sing through all Jerusalem,
"Christ is born in Bethlehem."**

**Lo, within a manger lies
He who built the starry skies;
He, who throned in height sublime,
sits amid the cherubim! [Refrain]**

**Say, ye holy shepherds, say,
what your joyful news today;
wherefore have ye left your sheep on
the lonely mountain steep? [Refrain]**

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Monday 5th January 2026

Sick: Dorothy, Derrick Norris, Janet Newsome, Janet Watkinson,
Will Hanley, Rena Shaw, Mary Haigh, John Freeborn.
Years Mind: Henry John Lindley Wood, Fred Broadhead,
Annie Popple
Church: Mary Wilkinson
Local Community Melbourne Avenue (B)
General: For the spread of the Gospel

Tuesday 6th January

Sick: Brenda Goodwin, Ann Stones, Jennifer Spink, Diane, Ian
Years Mind: Johnny Hays, Win Adams, Benedict XVI.
Church: Nichola Williams
Local Community Melton Avenue (G)
General: For the Conversion of the Earth

Wednesday 7th January

Sick: Arthur Jones, Bob Pennington, David Stanton,
Mary Wilkinson, Josephine Mellor.
Years Mind: Thomas Camley
Church: Anthony Wilson
Local Community Mexborough Road (B)
General: For all Confessors.

Thursday 8th January

Sick: Barbara, Mary Robinson, Gordon, Gemma Bloor,
Terry Hays, Bp Alan Chesters, Gordon Wordsworth.
Years Mind: Thomas Bailey, Emma Nichols, Thomas Smallman,
Claire Rogers.
Church: Derek Winch
Local Community Mill View (B)
General: For Christian Unity

Friday 9th January

Sick: Beverley, Hannah Rebecca, Enid Green.
Years Mind: Rose Dawson, Dennis Allen, Bertha Richardson,
Eliza Minshaw.
Church: Carey Woodland
Local Community Millrace Drive (G)
General: Thanksgiving for the Incarnation

Saturday 10th January

Sick: Tina Feeney, Barbara Smith, Willow Brown.
Years Mind: John Thomas Darnon, John Thomas Jackson,
Joseph Reginald Garwood, Annetta Oakden,
Barbara Roughton.
Church: Gordon Wordsworth
Local Community Mulberry Close (G)
General: For Peace

Daily

For the dead
For our families
For Peter Bishop of Sheffield
For Stephen Bishop of Beverley
For the Unity of Christ's Church
For our Church Wardens and PCC members
For the growth of our Christian Family
For the poor, the sick and those with no hope
For any who need our prayers
For ourselves

Glory to God! Our hearts we raise.
To you our heavenly king!
WE give you thanks, we worship you
As we your praises sing.

Lord Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God,
You banish this world's sin.
Have mercy as we hail your birth
And grant us peace within.

O Spirit strong and yet unseen
By eyes with self so flawed.
Give us the sight that sets us free
To make your name adored.

'All Glory be to God on high,
And on the earth be peace;
Good-will hence forth from heaven to men
Begin and never cease.'

The Collect or prayer for the day

Let us pray.
Almighty ever-living God,
splendour of faithful souls,
graciously be pleased to fill the world
with your glory, and show yourself to all
peoples by the radiance of your light.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity
of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.
Amen

The Liturgy of the Word

We sit for The First Reading

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Sirach
Sirach 24:1-2, 8-12

Wisdom will praise herself and will boast
in the midst of her people. In the
assembly of the Most High she will open
her mouth, and in the presence of his
forces she will boast: 'Then the Creator

"As we watched at dead of night,
lo, we saw a wondrous light;
angels singing 'Peace on earth'
told us of the Saviour's birth." [Refrain]

Sacred Infant, all divine,
what a tender love was Thine;
thus to come from highest bliss
down to such a world as this! [Refrain]

Teach, O teach us, Holy Child,
by Thy face so meek and mild,
teach us to resemble Thee
in Thy sweet humility! [Refrain]

Priest: ✠ In the name of the Father and
of the Son and of the Holy Spirit
People: **Amen**

Priest: The Lord be with you
People: **And with your spirit.**

*The Mass is introduced along with its intention and
theme and we are invited to call to mind our sins
using these or similar words*

Priest: Brothers and sisters, let us
acknowledge our sins, and so
prepare ourselves to celebrate
the sacred mysteries.

Choir: Lord Jesus, you are mighty God
and Prince of Peace:
Kyrie eleison.

People: **Kyrie eleison**

Choir: You are the Son of God and Son
of Mary: Christe eleison

People: **Christe eleison**

Choir: You are the Word made flesh,
the splendour of the Father:
Kyrie eleison eleison.

People: **Kyrie eleison eleison.**

Priest: May almighty God have
mercy on us, forgive us our
sins, and bring us to
everlasting life.

People: **Amen.**

The Gloria in excelsis now follows

DATES FOR THE DIARY

January 2026

Mon 12th Jan 10am Iris Law's funeral Goldthorpe

Sat 24th 10am Focal Ministry Meeting Goldthorpe Hall
 Tues 27th 12noon SSC Meeting Goldthorpe
 Sat 31st 10am Coffee Morning Goldthorpe Hall

February 2026

Sat 7th 10am Coffee Morning Bolton Church Hall
 Wed 18th ASH WEDNESDAY
 Sun 22nd 3pm Parish Mass Hickleton
 Sat 28th 10am Coffee Morning Goldthorpe Hall

March 2026

Mon 2nd 10am Hickleton PCC Hickleton Club
 Thurs 5th 1pm Bolton PCC Bolton
 Sat 7th 10am Coffee Morning Bolton Church Hall
 10am Goldthorpe PCC Goldthorpe
 Sat 28th 10am Coffee Morning Goldthorpe Hall
 Sun 29th PALM SUNDAY
 3pm Parish Mass etc Hickleton

April 2026

Sun 5th EASTER DAY
 Sun 12th 11.45am Bolton APCM Bolton
 Mon 13th 7pm Hickleton APCM Hickleton Club
 Sat 25th 10am Coffee Morning Goldthorpe
 Sun 26th 3pm Parish Mass Hickleton

of all things commanded me, and the one who created me gave my tent a resting place. And he said, "Make your dwelling in Jacob and in Israel receive your inheritance." From eternity, in the beginning, he created me, and for eternity I shall not cease to exist. In the holy tabernacle I ministered before him, and so I was established in Sion. In the beloved city likewise he gave me a resting place, and in Jerusalem was my dominion. So I took root in an honoured people, in the portion of the Lord, his inheritance.'

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 147: 12-13. 14-15. 19-20. R12a

The Word became flesh and dwelt among us.

The Word became flesh and dwelt among us.

O Jerusalem, glorify the LORD!

O Sion, praise your God!

He has strengthened the bars of your gates;

he has blessed your children within you.

The Word became flesh and dwelt among us.

He established peace on your borders;

he gives you your fill of finest wheat.

He sends out his word to the earth, and swiftly runs his command.

The Word became flesh and dwelt among us.

He reveals his word to Jacob;

to Israel, his decrees and judgements.

He has not dealt thus with other nations; he has not taught them his judgements.

The Word became flesh and dwelt among us.

The Second Reading follows

A Reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Ephesians

Ephesians 1:3-6, 15-18

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love he predestined us for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved.

For this reason, because I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him, having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

We stand for the Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Glory to you, O Christ, proclaimed among the nations. Glory to you, O Christ, believed in throughout the world.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Priest: The Lord be with you

People: **And with your spirit.**

✠A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John

Glory to you, O Lord

John 1:1-5, 9-14

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made. In him was life, and the life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not

overcome it.

The true light, which gives light to everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world did not know him. He came to his own, and his own people did not receive him. But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.

And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the Only Begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth. The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

The Homily now follows we sit

We stand for

The Profession of Faith (Creed)

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven

At the words that follow, up to and including and became man, all bow.

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the Resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come Amen.

The Bidding Prayers now follow

Response

Priest: Lord, hear us.

People: **Lord, graciously hear us.**

Priest: ✠Rest eternal grant unto them
O Lord

People: **and let light perpetual shine upon them**

Priest: May they rest in peace

People: **Amen**

People: **Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus Holy Mary, Mother of God pray for us sinners now, and at the hour of our death.**

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

**The first Nowell the angel did say
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields
as they lay;**

**In fields where they lay, keeping their
sheep,**

**On a cold winter's night that was so
deep: Refrain:**

**Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell,
Born is the King of Israel.**

**They looked up and saw a star,
Shining in the east, beyond them far:
And to the earth it gave great light,
And so it continued both day and night:**

[Refrain]

Day	Service/Event	Intention
Monday 5 th January 2026 <i>feria</i>	8am Mass at Goldthorpe	For the spread of the Gospel
Tuesday 6 th January THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD	10.30am Mass at Bolton Church Hall 7pm Mass at Goldthorpe	For the Conversion of the Earth
Wednesday 7 th January S. Raymond Penyafort	9am Mass at Goldthorpe 6pm Vestry Hour at Goldthorpe	For all Confessors
Thursday 8 th January <i>feria</i>	10am Mass at Hickleton	For Christian Unity
Friday 9 th January <i>feria</i>	10.30am Mass at Goldthorpe	Thanksgiving for the Incarnation
Saturday 10 th January <i>feria</i>	9am Mass at Goldthorpe	For Peace
Sunday 11 th January 2026 THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD (A)	9am Parish Mass at Hickleton 10.30am Parish Mass at Bolton 10.30am Parish Mass at Goldthorpe	Thanksgiving for the Incarnation, Resurrection and for our Parish

**This Booklet and the light before the
Blessed Sacrament are paid for in
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Birthday Memories**

NOTICES

Thank you

To everyone who has worked so hard and contributed towards the decoration of our churches for Christmas.

Hickleton: New service time

From Sunday 25th January, the fourth Sunday of the month. The Mass at Hickleton will be at 3pm and will be a slightly less formal affair in an attempt to attract more villagers to worship

Flowers for church

If you would like to contribute towards the decoration of church for Christmas please see Joan Poyton at Bolton, Margaret Crofts at Hickleton and Sue Copestake at Goldthorpe. Thank you.

Stewardship Envelopes

The new Stewardship envelopes are available at Goldthorpe & Hickleton, if you use them please take them, if you would like to know more please see Gordon Wordsworth or Anne Rae for further details.

Dates for the Diary.

You will notice that dates for the Diary run out at the end of 2025. If anyone has any ideas for events throughout next year please let Fr Schaefer have them as soon as possible and in writing please.

Food Bank

We are collecting items for the Salvation Army Food Bank and there is a basket at the back of church Thank you.

Coffee Mornings

Each Tuesday, after Mass at Bolton Church Hall there is a Coffee Morning and the chance to socialise and chat. On each first Saturday of the month we hold a Coffee Morning at Bolton Church during the Summer months and on the last Saturday of each month we hold a Coffee Morning at Goldthorpe Church Hall.

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**And by the light of that same star,
Three Wise Men came from country
far;**

**To seek for a king was their intent,
And to follow the star wheresoever it
went: [Refrain]**

**This star drew nigh to the north-west;
O'er Bethlehem it took its rest,
And there it did both stop and stay
Right over the place where Jesus lay:
[Refrain]**

**Then entered in those Wise Men three,
Full reverently upon their knee,
And offered there in his presence
Both gold and myrrh and
frankincense: [Refrain]**

**Then let us all with one accord
Sing praises to our heavenly Lord,
That hath made heaven and earth of
naught,
And with his blood mankind hath
bought: [Refrain]**

*If the prayers of blessing are said aloud the
people respond each time*

Blessed be God for ever.

We stand

Pray, my Brothers and Sisters that this
my sacrifice and yours may be
acceptable to God the almighty Father
**May the Lord accept the sacrifice at
your hands for the praise and glory of
his name, for our good and the good of
all his holy Church.**

The prayer over the Offerings

Sanctify, O Lord, the offerings we make
on the Nativity of your Only Begotten
Son, for by it you show us the way of truth
and promise the life of the heavenly
Kingdom.
Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer

Priest: The Lord be with you

People: **And with your spirit**

Priest: Lift up your hearts

People: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord
our God.

People: **It is right and just**

At the end of the preface we sing

**Holy, holy Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of your
glory. Hosanna, in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name
of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

We Kneel

After the words of Consecration the priest says:

Priest: The mystery of faith.

People: **Save us saviour of the world
for by your Cross and
Resurrection you have set us
free**

At the conclusion of the prayer:

Through him, and with him, and in him O
God, almighty Father, in the unity of the
Holy Spirit, all glory and honour is yours,
for ever and ever.

People: **AMEN.**

We stand for The Lord's Prayer

Priest: At the Saviour's command and
formed by divine teaching, we
dare to say:

People: **Our Father, who art in heaven
hallowed be thy name; thy
kingdom come, thy will be
done on earth as it is in
heaven. Give us this day our
daily bread, and forgive us our
trespasses as we forgive
those who trespass against
us; and lead us not into
temptation, but deliver us
from evil**

Priest: Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

People: **For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.**

Priest: Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles: Peace I leave you, my peace I give you; look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will. Who live and reign for ever and ever.

People: **Amen.**

Priest: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: **And with your spirit.**

Priest: Let us offer each other the sign of peace

We share the sign of peace

The Breaking of the Bread

People: **Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.**

We kneel

Priest: ✠Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

People: **Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

The Communion Sentence

Priest: To all who would accept him, he gave the power to become children of God.

We come forward to receive Holy Communion

We sing the Communion Hymn

**Good Christian men, rejoice
With heart and soul and voice;
Give ye heed to what we say:
News! news!
Jesus Christ is born today!
Ox and ass before Him bow,
And He is in the manger now;
Christ is born today!
Christ is born today!**

**Good Christian men, rejoice
With heart and soul and voice;
Now ye hear of endless bliss:
Joy! joy!
Jesus Christ was born for this!
He hath opened heaven's door,
And man is blessed evermore:
Christ was born for this!
Christ was born for this!**

**Good Christian men rejoice,
With heart and soul and voice;
Now ye need not fear the grave:
Peace! Peace!
Jesus Christ was born to save!
Calls you one and calls you all
To gain His everlasting hall:
Christ was born to save!
Christ was born to save!**

We stand for the Post Communion prayer

Lord our God, we humbly ask you, that, through the working of this mystery, our offences may be cleansed and our just desires fulfilled. Through Christ our Lord.
Amen

Any Notices etc may follow now.

The Concluding Rites

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: **and with your spirit.**

Priest: Bow down for God's blessing

May the God of infinite goodness who by the Incarnation of his Son has driven darkness from the world and by that glorious Birth has illumined this most holy day, drive far from you the darkness of vice and illumine your hearts with the light of virtue.

People: **Amen.**

Priest: May God, who willed that the great joy of his Son's saving Birth be announced to shepherds by the Angel, fill your minds with the gladness he gives and make you heralds of his Gospel.

People: **Amen.**

Priest: And may God, who by the Incarnation brought together the earthly and heavenly realm, fill you with the gift of his peace and favour and make you sharers with the Church in heaven.

People: **Amen.**

Priest: And may the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son, + and the Holy Spirit, come down on you and remain with you for ever.

People: **Amen.**

Priest: Go forth the Mass is ended

People: **Thanks be to God**

We sing our final Hymn

**Ding dong, merrily on high!
In heav'n the bells are ringing;
ding dong, verily the sky
is riv'n with angel singing.
Gloria, hosanna in excelsis!
Gloria, hosanna in excelsis!**

**E'en so here below,
let steeple bells be swungen,
And io, io, io,
by priest and people sungen.
Gloria, hosanna in excelsis!
Gloria, hosanna in excelsis!**

**Pray ye dutifully prime
your matin chime, ye ringers;
may ye beautifully rhyme
your evetime song, ye singers.
Gloria, hosanna in excelsis!
Gloria, hosanna in excelsis!**