

## WORSHIP AND ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

5—11 December

- Monday** 7.30pm Scouts in Church  
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- Tuesday** 2.15pm Mothers' Union Advent Miscellany  
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7.45pm Standing Committee
- Wednesday** *Parish Office 10am—12.30pm*  
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- Thursday** 9.30am Midweek Communion  
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## NEXT SUNDAY— 12 DECEMBER — THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

- 9.30am** Zest
- 11.00am** Parish Communion
- 6.00pm** The Junction  
  
The Den (following The Junction)

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# PARISH NOTES

Welcome to  
**St John the Divine**  
The Parish Church of  
**Menston with Woodhead**



## GIFT SUNDAY

5 DECEMBER 2021

**9.30am** Zest

*Please join us for Fairtrade tea and coffee  
in the Parish Room between 10 and 11am*

**11.00am** Holy Communion (CW)

**Readings:** **Isaiah 50: 4—9** (Old Testament page 691)  
**Luke 3: 1—6** (New Testament page 57)

**6.00pm** **The Junction**  
*Exploring faith, learning together  
Followed by **The Den** in the Parish Room*

**Reading:** **Luke 1: 26—38** (New Testament page 57)

## WE PRAY FOR



**The Sick:** Ken Parker, Pauline Blake, Sylvia Bradley,  
Marjorie Thompson, Eric Wilkinson, Margaret  
Bailey, Steve Brookfield, Stan Hill

**Memorial Book:** David Seel, Jack Shaw, Elsie Crowther, Robert  
Thackwray, Karl Ingram, Lilian Rich, Eluned Ellis

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- \* The social services
- \* All who work in the criminal justice system
- \* Victims and perpetrators of crime
- \* The work of aid agencies throughout the world
- \* Those living in poverty or under oppression

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Lord God,  
You have called your servants  
to ventures of which we cannot see the ending,  
by paths as yet untrodden,  
through perils unknown.  
Give us faith to go out with good courage,  
not knowing where we go,  
but only that your hand is leading us  
and your love supporting us,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

### COMMUNAL CHRISTMAS CARDS

For some years we have suggested that people who wish to send cards to fellow members of the congregation do just one card for everyone and post it in the letter box that will be at the back of the church. In the Sundays leading up to Christmas the box will be emptied and the cards displayed on the screen by the font. Any money you save could be given to the Roof Appeal!

### GIFT SUNDAY

Thank you very much for all the donations given today for Gift Sunday. Meadowlea pass on their grateful thanks and appreciation.

### PARISH MAGAZINE

The Dec/Jan edition of the Parish Magazine is now available to read in print, and online via our website: [www.stjohnmenston.org.uk/magazine](http://www.stjohnmenston.org.uk/magazine)



(In addition to our usual services)

<b>Saturday 18</b>	<b>2.00pm</b>	Zest Christmas Celebration at Kirklands
<b>Sunday 19</b>	<b>4.00pm</b>	Carol Service
<b>Friday 24</b>	<b>4.00pm</b>	Nativity Service
Christmas Eve	<b>11.30pm</b>	Midnight Communion
<b>Saturday 25</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	Christmas Morning Celebration
Christmas Day		<i>with optional communion</i>
<b>Sunday 26</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	Zest
Boxing Day	<b>11.00am</b>	Parish Communion

**Please note: The Junction & The Den will not take place on Sunday 26 December  
Midweek Communion will not take place on Thursday 30 December**