

Monthly Parish Newsletter

Our Lady & St Chad

Kirkbymoorside, and

St Mary's Helmsley

March 2026



Mass times:

Sundays 9.00am | St Mary's,
Helmsley

Sundays 10.30am | Our Lady and St
Chad, Kirkbymoorside

Wednesdays 12.00 noon | Our Lady
and St Chad, Kirkbymoorside

Fridays 12.00 noon | St Mary's,
Helmsley

Sundays (Year A) & Feast Days:

Sun 1	2nd Sunday of Lent
Wed 4	Commemoration of Saint Casimir
Sat 7	Commemoration of Saints Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs
Sun 8	3rd Sunday of Lent
Mon 9	Commemoration of Saint Frances of Rome, Religious
Sun 15	4th Sunday of Lent (Laetare Sunday)
Tue 17	Saint Patrick, Bishop, Missionary Feast
Wed 18	Commemoration of Saint Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop, Doctor
Thu 19	Saint Joseph, husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary Solemnity
Sun 22	5th Sunday of Lent
Mon 23	Commemoration of Saint Turibius of Mongrovejo, Bishop
Wed 25	The Annunciation of the Lord Solemnity
Sun 29	Palm Sunday

Thought for the month:

“The ‘calling’ of the first disciples in St John’s Gospel, has become a rallying call for many due to those words of Jesus to the enquiring disciples: ‘Come and see’. How wonderful it would be if our friends, family, or even people whom we do not know; on seeing us scurrying off to church, were to ask us: ‘Where are you going?’ ‘Come and see.’ We could reply, confident that we echo the words of Christ himself. But would our response: ‘Come and See’ reflect the cold, damp, dark, grey days of recent weeks, or will it reflect the lighter, warmer, sunnier days we are already glimpsing and the promise, we hope, of greater and brighter things to come. As we enter more deeply into this season of Lent, let us remember all that Jesus has done and is doing for us in our own lives and how much more he could do in the lives of others if only we could radiate our joy to those others. And what could be better, than to allow Jesus himself to answer that question through us: ‘Come and see.’ For the answer is indeed Jesus.

Joy is a net by which we catch souls. (St Teresa of Calcutta)

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Upcoming Events and Information:

Holy Week and Easter services:

- Saturday 28th March - exposition and confessions 11.00 to 12.00 am at St Mary's, Helmsley
- Sunday 29th March Palm Sunday - normal masses
- Wednesday 1st April – exposition and confessions at 11.00am at St Chads with Mass at 12:00
- Maundy Thursday 2nd April - 7.00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper at St Chad's
- Good Friday 3rd April - 3.00pm Good Friday Service at St Chad's
- Holy Saturday 4th April - **the Easter Vigil will be at 8.00pm at St Chad's**
- Easter Sunday 5th April - **Easter Day Masses** at St Mary's and St Chad's at the usual Sunday mass times

The annual Lastingham pilgrimage is on Wednesday 1st April:

- Join the walk, with Stations of the Cross, from Chimney Bank Top to Lastingham (3 miles gentle walk downhill): either meet at Barmoor, Hutton-le-Hole, YO62 6UE by 9.45am for a lift to Chimney Bank (or go to Chimney Bank yourself for 10.15 am - plenty of parking)
- Father Christopher Gorst will say Mass at 12.30 pm in the Crypt, St. Mary's, Lastingham - everyone is welcome to join the walk or just join the pilgrims at Mass.
- Refreshments at Barmoor afterwards.

Good Friday walks of witness:

in Kirkbymoorside from St Chads starting at 11am and walking up to All Saints and returning to the Methodist Church OR in Helmsley at All Saints – join the ecumenical service at 10.15am followed by walk of witness and short service at 11am in the square.

Tuesday 10th March at 10.30am - St Chads book club will be meeting to discuss 'On the Marsh' by Simon Barmes.

World Day of Prayer annual event is at KMS Methodist Church, Fri 6th Mar 2pm. All welcome.

KCT Lenten reflection & soup lunch is 12:00 noon on the following Tuesdays at Kirbymoorside Methodist church: 3/10/17th March. On 17th March it is St Chads turn to make and serve soup. We are short of volunteers for this - if you can help, please text Julie 07704313135. Thank you.

Offertory Cash Collections:

January 2026 collection:

St Mary's	£188
St Chad's	£233

Newsletter Items for March:

Please send any items for the next Newsletter by **Friday 27th March** – to the St Chad's "Newsletter" box (back of church), Julie (St Chads), Fliss (St Marys), or stchadspcc@gmail.com