

NEWSLETTER

ALL SAINTS, SCRAPTOFT & NETHERHALL - February 2026

How the money stacks up....

It's been a long time since we had a Funding Programme at All Saints. To be honest, after covering a 12 to 15 year period they no longer produced the goods. However, with all the post-Covid changes in both church and society, we cannot ignore our present situation. Through very careful management of our finances (*thank you Graham*) we have minimised the hit recent years have presented us with. But as we all know, nothing has got cheaper and many things (especially fuel) have become much more expensive over recent years and we find that this year we will run a significant deficit. Here are the basic figures:

Income from Giving	£23,651
Income from Church Fees	£1433
Other Income	£3605
Income from Fund Raising activities	£11831
TOTAL INCOME	£40,570
TOTAL COSTS	£49,853
DEFICIT	£9283

The total costs of running the church include the Parish Offering, which goes to help fund stipendiary ministry across the Diocese, as well as fuel bills, insurance, repairs, service expenses, etc. With a deficit like this our reserves will not last long at all, so as a church community we need to face our running costs honestly. In order to do this the PCC have agreed to us exploring a Program from the National Church called **Cornerstone**. You will hear more about this in the coming months, but we want to let you know the current position and to ask your prayers, as well as your prayerful consideration of your own giving to God's work in this parish. We thank all our current givers and continue to look to the future with confidence, knowing that we all value the Church's presence here.

With every blessing

Fr Martin

February Diary

1st **FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION**

10.00am Sung Eucharist with Blessing of Candles

3rd 10.00am Coffee pop-in

4th **St Gilbert**

12.00pm Eucharist

7.30pm Rosary

7th 10.00am Coffee Morning

8th **2nd BEFORE LENT**

10.00am Sung Eucharist

10th 10.00am Coffee pop-in

11th **Our Lady of Lourdes**

12.00pm Eucharist

7.30pm Rosary

15th **SUNDAY BEFORE LENT**

10.00am Sung Eucharist

17th **Shrove Tuesday**

10.00am Coffee pop-in

18th **ASH WEDNESDAY**

7.30pm Sung Eucharist & Imposition of Ashes

19th 11.00am Aaron Court Service

20th 7.00pm Station of the Cross

22nd **LENT 1**

10.00am Sung Eucharist

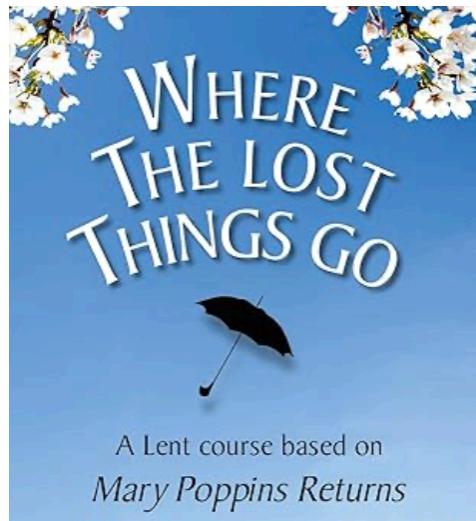
24th 10.00am Coffee pop-in

7.30pm Lent Course

25th 12.00pm Eucharist

7.30pm Rosary

27th 7.00pm Station of the Cross



LENT COURSE 2026

This will take place at 7.30pm on Tuesday evenings during Lent in Church.

We shall be using the film *Mary Poppins Returns* to explore the themes of hope and deliverance as part of our Lenten journey.

Please sign up using the sheet on the mobile near the church door.

