## **Otley Parish Church**



## **Church Choir & Worship Band**

The Church Choir is now regarded as a "Festival Choir", participating in major festival services and on other occasions as required. In addition, we prepare short cantata style pieces on Biblical themes which we perform in local homes in Otely, such as Teal Beck House, Spring Gardens and Burley Hall. On these visits, we sometimes sing well-known hymns and encourage residents to join in.

Christmas is our busiest time when we sing in church during the Victorian Fayre, at the Christmas Tree Carol Service and the Church Carol Service. The adults in the choir also attend the Midnight Communion Service on Christmas Eve. In addition, we visit Spring Gardens and Teal Beck House in the evening of Christmas Eve, as a robed choir, to sing traditional carols and choir items.

We now have strong soprano, alto and bass sections; and would really like more children and tenors, although new members of any voice are always very welcome.

We usually meet for rehearsals in the Parish Room on a Thursday evening from 6.30pm to 7.30pm.

The Worship Band, made up of brass, strings and occasionally woodwind instruments leads the hymn singing on the first Sunday in the month and also at major festivals. New players are always

welcome; a standard of Grade 3 upwards is suggested. Players receive the music for services in advance, but rehearsals are not normally held.

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