# The Three Parishes Benefice



St Mary's Church, Saltford. All Saints Church, Corston. Holy Trinity Church, Newton St Loe.

#### St Mary's Church Saltford

Please note St Mary's Church will be closed between 1st - 31st March 2025 for essential maintenance work. All Church services will take place in the Church Hall during this time

Apologies for any inconvenience



Sunday 16th March Lent 2

9.30am Holy Communion St Mary's Hall Saltford

11.15am Family Service All Saints Church Corston

4pm Telephone Service

6pm Evensong Holy Trinity Church Newton St Loe

Collect

Almighty God, by the prayer and discipline of Lent may we enter into the mystery of Christ's sufferings, and by following in his Way come to share in his glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

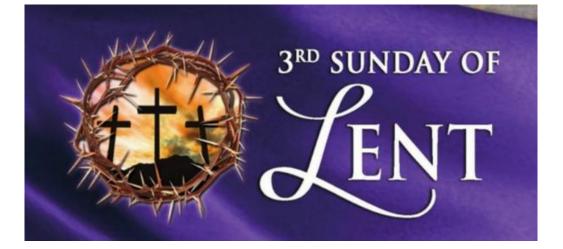
Readings Gen15:1-12,17-18 Luke 13:31-end

Tuesday 18th March

7.30pm Prayer for Growth St Mary's Hall Newton Room Saltford

Wednesday 19th March

7.30pm Compline St Mary's Hall Newton Room Saltford



Sunday 23rd March Lent 3

9.30am Holy Communion St Mary's Hall Saltford

11.15am Morning Worship Holy Trinity Church Newtn St Loe

#### 4pm Telephone Service

#### Collect

Eternal God, give us insight to discern your will for us, to give up what harms us, and to seek the perfection we are promised in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Readings Isa 55:1-9 Luke 13:1-9

Tuesday 25th March

7.30pm Prayer for Growth St Mary's Hall Newton Room Saltford

Wednesday 26th March

7.30pm Compline All Saints Church Corston

#### **Pause for Thought**

During Lent we are called upon to read, think about and study many things. We are showered with ideas of how we might do this, to draw nearer to God as we approach Easter. We will do it in lots of different ways. No *one* way suits everyone. Some of us may even fast. Isaiah, in Chap 58, talks about fasting ....and so much more. In fact, reading it, we realise that although it is apparently talking about fasting, it is in fact talking about the whole of Christian life.....the whole of our relationship with God and our fellow human beings. It gives so much pause for thought.

What better reading for Lent?

But we need to read it slowly and reflectively/prayerfully....and possibly frequently. Ken Plant



#### Parish Breakfast

To those of you who attended the March Parish Breakfast, thank-you! We had a beautiful spring morning to enjoy as well as the breakfast and, of course, fellowship. £80 was raised for the work of Life Project in Bath, which provides support for people with learning disabilities.

The next breakfast will take place on Palm Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> April, when donations will be taken for another local charity, Ripple Effect.

Julia Norris

Electoral Roll 2025

The Benefice of Saltford, Corston & Newton St Loe has been asked to compile a new Church Electoral Roll for 2025. Church Representation Rules require that every 6 years a completely new electoral roll should be prepared for each parish. An Electoral Roll application form will be emailed to all Church members. It would be appreciated if this can be completed and returned to the Parish Office asap or by 17th April at the latest. Please note this form can be returned by email.

Hard copies will also be available in each Church for your convenience.

Thank you

Wednesday Mornings Telephone Service

Ken & Teresa invite you to join them at the weekly Telephone Service on Wednesdays at 9.30am. Please see below on how to join in or contact the Parish Office for help. All welcome

#### **Benefice Telephone Service**

To join our telephone service ~~~~ Dial: 03330164757 Room Number: 30497259# Room Number: 5856#

#### **Opportunities to Pray**

Morning Prayer Monday to Wednesday via Zoom at 8.30am

Prayer @ 6 Monday to Thursday via Zoom at 6pm

Zoom Meeting Details for Morning Prayer and Prayer@6 https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85017998147pwd=L0FWMnZENHIvZ3VxS3FOeWpaNXJWZz09

#### Meeting ID: 850 1799 8147 Passc

Passcode: Prayer



#### Supporting the Mission and Ministry of St Mary's Church

If you would like to make an online donation to support the ongoing work of St Mary's please click on the donate button. It will redirect you to our online giving page. You can also give in other ways like standing order, through the contactless device in church, through our website or by cash. For more information about how to give, please speak to Pam F our treasurer and she will be able to help you.







# Corston Coffee Shop

### The dates are Wednesday

1st January	15th January
5th February	19th February
5th March	19h March
2nd April	16th April
7th May	21st May
4th June	18th June

Our Coffee Shop in Corston is run & staffed by village volunteers, who make & serve cakes, coffee, tea & hot chocolate. Its a place to meet friends & neighbours on a regular basis.

Held at Corston Church the first & third Wednesday of each month from 10.30 to noon.

All Welcome.





# Corston Soup & Pudding Lunch

## The dates are Wednesday

8th January12th February12th March9th April14th May11th June

Our Soup & Pudding Lunch is run & staffed by village volunteers, who make & serve the soups & puddings. Its a place to go for lunch with friends & neighbours.

Held at Corston Village Hall on the second Wednesday each month from 12.30pm to 1.30pm.

ALL WELCOME



Sunday 2nd March 9.30am Morning Worship (St Mary's Saltford) 11.15am Holy Communion (All Saints Corston) 4pm Benefice Telephone Service

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5th March - Ash Wednesday 6pm Benefice Holy Communion (Holy Trinity Newton St Loe)

#### Sunday 9th March

8.45am Parish Breakfast (St Mary's Hall Saltford)
9.30am Conect All Age Service (St Mary's Saltford)
11.15am Holy Communion (Holy Trinity Newton St Loe)
4pm Benefice Telephone Service

Wednesday 12th March 7.30pm Compline (Holy Trinity Newton St Loe)

#### Sunday 16th March

9.30am Holy Communion (St Mary's Saltford)
11.15am Family Service (All Saints Corston)
4pm Benefice Telephone Service
6pm Evensong (Holy Trinity Newton St Loe)

Wednesday 19th March 7.30pm Compline (St Mary's Saltford)

#### Sunday 23rd March

9.30am Holy Communion (St Mary's Saltford) 11.15am Morning Worship (Holy Trinity Newton St Loe) 4pm Benefice Telephone Service

> Wednesday 26th March 7.30pm Compline (All Saints Corston)

30th March - Mothering Sunday 11.15am Benefice Communion Celebration (Holy Trinity Newton St Loe) 4pm Benefice Telephone Service

Prayer for Growth service every Tuesday at 7.30pm in St Mary's Saltford

Mothers Prayers.

Our next gathering is this **Saturday (March 22nd) at The Chocolate Quarter (in the Sanctuary)**. Coffee, croissants and catch up from 9.30, with prayers starting at 10.00 am. Mothers Prayers provides a safe, supportive and confidential environment where women can pray specifically for their own children (old or young), step-children, grandchildren, godchildren, children we grieve for, indeed any child for whom we have 'a mother's heart'. Together, we place them, and our love and concerns for them, into God's safe hands. **You are welcome to join us**.

#### More details from Rachel Shaw <u>rachrishaw@qmail.com</u> or 07974412261

**LOOK OUT** for the new (springtime yellow!) **Mothers Prayers Cards** which give all the dates and venues for 2025.

#### **Lent Series**

The Lent Series 2025 will be held at the Keynsham Baptist Church, starting at 7.30pm, refreshments served from 7.00pm.

This year's theme is 'Chaplaincy' and the speakers will be talking about all the different facets of this ministry.

11th March - Pip Lovell - Wellsway School Chaplaincy
18th March - Reverend Philip Turner - Hospital Chaplaincy
25th March - Reverend Katy Garner - University Chaplaincy
1st April - Pastor Chris Williams - Prison Chaplaincy
8th April - Lisa Loveridge - St Monica's Chaplaincy

The Lent Series donations will be for the 'Its Your Move' booklet for Year 6 children graduating to Wellsway School and Bibles for primary school children in St Mary's School, Saltford.

All welcome

Wellsway School and Keynsham Good Afternoon Choir invite you to

# come and Sing

## ZADOK THE PRIEST

(BBC Ten Pieces version) Afternoon workshop **Time**: 1:00 pm to 4:30 pm **Date:** Saturday 29th March **Place:** St Johns Church, Keynsham

## **Community Choral concert**

Time: 7:00 pm to 8:15 pm Date: Saturday 29th March Place: St Johns Church, Keynsham

Tickets for Zadok the Priest Come and Sing afternoon workshop available at:

https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/wellsway-school and from St. John's Church Parish Office (Mon-Fri, 10 am - 12 pm)



www.goodafternoonchoir.org



# The Peace Dove Project A Message of Peace & Hope

Join us in a special community art project at St John's Church, Keynsham with two ways to get involved.

Collect a card dove, write a message of peace or hope, and return it to be part of an art display in the church.

#### Get InvolvedI

Card Dove or Knitting Pattern Available From: • Parish Office

Keynsham Town Council Office

Return Card and Knitted Doves By: Monday 14th April 2025 to the Parish Office or Keynsham Town Council office.



Bring this project to life by knitting a dove to be hung from the tower and in the trees outside St John's Church. A special pattern is available just request it either in person from St John's Church or Keynsham Town Council or online at keynshamparish.org.uk or keynsham-tc.gov.uk

This exhibition will be unveiled on May Day as part of our VE Day celebrations, marking a moment to reflect, remember, and look forward with hope.

This community outreach exhibition is part of the wider national touring project 'Peace Doves' by Peter Walker Sculptor. More information about 'Peace Doves' can be found at www.peterwalkersculptor.com

#### For more information contact: Keynsham Parish Office Phone: 0117 9863354 Email: office@keynshamparish.org.uk







# **Upcoming Events**

- Bear Flat Market on Saturday 15 March. From 9.30am to 12.30pm at Methodist Church Hall, Bruton Avenue. Come and enjoy the craft stalls, plants, local produce and artisan bread. More details <u>here.</u>
- Genesis Skydive. Don't let fear stop you. Join us on Sunday 11 May for an exciting fundraiser that you will talk about for the rest of your life. <u>You</u> <u>can read more here</u>.
- Leap of Faith! 2025 on Friday 13 and Saturday 14 June. We are excited to announce that the Leap of Faith! abseil from Bath Abbey is back for 2025. Abseil on your own or with family, friends and colleagues. We would love for you to join us in this exciting challenge from the iconic Abbey tower. To find out more and to sign up see here.
- Bike Bath 2025 on Sunday 15 June. Bike Bath is now back at the Rec and offers three great routes, 27, 54 and 77 miles. They will leave the Recreation Ground and head north towards the Cotswolds. We have a 10% discount for cyclists who would like to take this on as a fundraiser for Genesis. <u>Please get in touch for more information</u>

## Notices

- Giving Print. The GivingPrint Fund offers registered charities, community groups, and CICs free printing services for promotional materials like flyers, posters, and display boards. <u>You can read more here</u>. Genesis has benefited from Giving Print and we'd like to say thank you.
- Genesis Gifts gifts to help our community. After the success of our Genesis Christmas Gifts range, we are offering the gifts all year round for you to buy for birthday gifts and other celebrations. Please look at our updated range <u>here</u>.
- Bath Half Cheering Team Volunteers. This year we have 30 runners in the Bath Half on Sunday 16 March. We would love to have some people to help to cheer and encourage our runners along the 13.1 miles! It would be from 10am to 2pm. If you would like to join our cheering team <u>please get in</u> touch.

#### Safeguarding

If you have cause for concern regarding the safety of a child or vulnerable adult it is vital that you contact our Benefice Safeguarding Officer.

#### **Benefice Safeguarding Officer** Sue Dixon

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#### **Contact Us**

#### Rector

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#### Administrator

Liz Benden (Day off Friday) Parish Office Opening Hours (term time only) Tues - Thurs 9am-12pm 01225 872275 scnbenefice@gmail.com

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Church Wardens Norman (Saltford) 01225 874591 Ian (Saltford) 01225 872275 Julie (Corston) 07983 910796 David (Corston) 01225 873887 Harvey (Newton) 07711 506676 Matthew (Newton) 07469 377438

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