

The Three Parishes Benefice



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



17th & 24th November Notice Sheet

Sunday 17th November - 2nd Sunday before Advent

9.30am Holy Communion - St Mary's Saltford

4pm Benefice Telephone Service

6pm Evensong - Holy Trinity Newton St Loe

Collect

Heavenly Lord, you long for the world's salvation: stir us from apathy, restrain us from excess and revive in us new hope that all creation will one day be healed in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Readings

Dan 12:1-3

Mark 13:1-8

Wednesday 20th November

7.30pm Compline - All Saints Corston

Sunday 24th November - Christ the King

9.30am Holy Communion - St Mary's Saltford

11.15am Holy Communion - Holy Trinity Newton St Loe

4pm Benefice Telephone Service

Collect

God the Father, help us to hear the call of Christ the King and to follow in his service, whose kingdom has no end; for he reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, one glory. Amen

Readings

Dan 7:9-10,13-14

John 18:33-37

Wednesday 27th November

7.30pm Compline - Holy Trinity Newton St Loe

As we come to safeguarding Sunday it feels right to talk about the release of the Makin Report into the Church's handling of the deeply shocking and disturbing allegations of serious abuse by the late John Smyth.

As a Priest in the Church of England I feel I need to say that I am saddened by the failure of Welby and other senior clergy, to act. Their silence means they enabled John Smyth

not only to act in England, but to move to both Zimbabwe and then South Africa to continue his abuse of boys.

My heart goes out to all who were taken advantage of by those who should have protected them. Instead of protecting them, the institution, yet again, protected their abuser.

I pray that as ++Justin steps down, it goes a little way to bringing Justice to those who were denied the innocence of their childhood by a predator who operated from the cover of an institution that, at every level, did not expose his abuse.

Protecting vulnerable people from harm and speaking up for their rights is an integral part of our scriptural mandate as Christians (Proverbs 31:8).

In our benefice we have pledged to promote an environment and culture where all feel safe and cared for. Our PCC members and all those who work with children have done safeguarding training but the care and protection of children, young people and adults involved in Church activities is the responsibility of **everyone who participates in the life of the church**. If you want to learn more about our Safeguarding Policy please look at the Safer Church posters displayed or talk to myself or our Safeguarding Officer.

Pause for Thought

“Tis the privilege of friendship to talk nonsense, and have that nonsense respected”.
(Charles Lamb, essayist and poet. 1775-1834)

Like most of such sayings, that bears thinking about.....and raises questions in our minds as we do so.

Which friend judges what is being said to be ‘nonsense’, the speaker or the hearer?

In church, we are much more than friends, aren’t we.

Should we respect each other’s ‘nonsense’ in our Christian relationships?

It’s all about respecting differences, isn’t it?

We don’t all think in the same way, but we’re all learning to love in the same way.....aren’t we?

Ken Plant



Harvest Donations to the Foodbank

The total weight of donations from the Benefice was 87kg and from Saltford Primary School 97kg.

Thank you for all your donations

Norman Osborne



Breakfast at St Mary's on Remembrance Sunday 10th November 2024

It was wonderful to see the church hall filled on Remembrance Sunday, as the service was live-streamed from the church to the hall. Over 80 adults and children were able to participate in the service in comfort, supplied with tea, coffee and pastries. Thanks to Emily, younger visitors were also able to take part in a craft activity.



This is the first time that a Parish Breakfast has taken this format – scaled-down in terms of breakfast but very much scaled-up in terms of numbers and much-appreciated by those who otherwise would have been stood outside the church in the rather gloomy November weather. It will hopefully be repeated next year. Donations were also taken for the work of Saltford Scouts and Guides.

The next Parish Breakfast will be held on Sunday 8th December, which will also see the staging of St Mary's Nativity. Donations on this occasion will go towards The Children's Society.

Julia Norris

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

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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

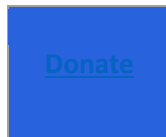
Zoom Meeting Details for Morning Prayer and Prayer@6

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85017998147pwd=L0FWMnZENHivZ3VxS3FOeWpaNXJWZz09>

Meeting ID: 850 1799 8147 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.



A Benefice Service to mark the start of Advent

Darkness into Light

Sunday
1st December
6pm
All Saints Church
Corston

Everyone welcome



MEET THE

Rector



ST MARY'S
Saltford

On the second
Tuesday of every
month I'm in St
Mary's hall from
0930 - 1130



ALL SAINTS
Corston

On the first and
third Wednesdays
of every month I'm
at All Saints coffee
morning from 1030
- 1200



HOLY TRINITY
Newton St Loe

On the fourth
Tuesday of every
month I'm at
Newton Farm café
from 0930 - 1200

**JOIN ME FOR A DRINK AND A CHAT
AT ANY OF THESE PLACES**

REGULAR ACTIVITIES IN ST MARY'S HALL

MONDAY

10.30am Vast UK - weekly
2pm Mobiflex - weekly

TUESDAY

10am Coffee Morning - monthly (2nd Tues)
6.30pm Somatic Movement - weekly

WEDNESDAY

10.30am Vast UK - weekly
6pm Vitality Pilates - weekly
7.30pm Elite Ladies Kickboxing - weekly

THURSDAY

9.30am Toddler Group - weekly
8pm Bath Circle of Magicians - fortnightly

FRIDAY

10am Foodbank - weekly

SATURDAY

10am Perform - weekly
10am Farandole Dancers - monthly (3rd Sat)

SUNDAY

8.45am Parish Breakfast - monthly
10.15am Refreshments after Church - weekly



Corston Soup & Pudding Lunch

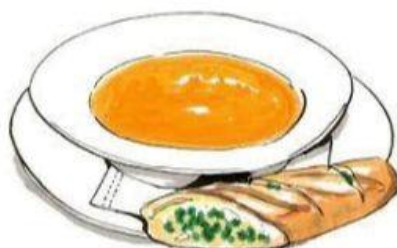
The dates are Wednesday

11th September 9th October
14th November 11th December

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



Title



Corston Coffee Shop

The dates are Wednesday

3rd July	17th July
7th August	21st August
4th September	18th September
2nd October	16th October
6th November	20th November
4th December	18th December

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.



Voices United

There is a new intergenerational choir at St Monica's, at the Chocolate Quarter, meeting every Wednesday from 4 -5pm.

You'll be learning songs alongside residents from St Monica's and students from Wellsway, no singing experience is required and its completely free!

If you are interested, please complete the form on

<https://forms.office.com/e/ULYQpyPmf3>

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

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