The Three Parishes Benefice



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



22nd & 29th September Notice Sheet

22nd September - Trinity 17

9.30am Holy Communion - St Mary's Saltford 11.15am Holy Communion - Holy Trinity Newton St Loe 4pm Benefice Telephone Service

Collect

Gracious God, you call us to fullness of life: deliver us from unbelief and banish our anxieties with the liberating love of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Readings Prov 31:10-end Mark 9:30-37

Wednesday 25th September

7.30pm Compline - Holy Trinity Newton St Loe

29th September - Trinity 18

9.30am Benefice Holy Communion - St Mary's Saltford 4pm Benefice Telephone Service

Collect

God, our judge and saviour, teach us to be open to your truth and to trust in your love, that we may live each day with confidence in the salvation which is given through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Readings Esth 7:1-6,9-10,9:20-22 Mark 9:38-end

Wednesday 2nd October

7.30pm Compline - St Mary's Saltford

Pause for Thought

Someone once said that the Church is a bit like a swimming pool; most of the noise comes from the shallow end.

At first, this might sound a bit waspish, but it's probably saying something more fundamental than that.

The church can be a noisy community for many reasons... and what those reasons are can be a useful pause for thought.

I discovered this prayer recently and it seemed to give pause for thought as well: Oh Lord, the Scripture says,

'There is a time for silence and a time for speech.'

Saviour, teach me the silence of humility, the silence of wisdom, the silence of love, the silence of perfection, the silence that speaks without words, the silence of faith.

Lord, teach me to silence my own heart, that I may listen to the gentle movement of the Holy Spirit within me and sense the depths which are of God.

Ken Plant



Parish Breakfast 8th September

It was lovely to be back enjoying the first Parish Breakfast after the summer holidays on Sunday 8th September. The rain held off first thing in the morning and good numbers attended breakfast before the Connect Service, when Nigel reflected on his first year serving our Benefice.

£136 was raised for the work of St Mary's Children's Ministry. There was some lovely lesson material to view, used in a recent Sunday Club and based around the story of David and Goliath. It's great that St Mary's can now serve our youngest members again!

The next Parish Breakfast will be on Sunday 13th October, which is Harvest and when donations will go toward local charity Ripple Effect. Do put the date in your diary.

Julia Norris





BENEFICE HARVEST FESTIVAL DONATIONS

Keynsham Foodbank

Each year donations are made to a suitable Charity. This year the Rector has agreed that Benefice donations will be to the Keynsham Foodbank which has one of its Distribution

Centres in St.Mary's Church Hall. Recently the food donations to the Foodbank have dropped significantly meaning that it has not been possible to give out some essential items. In the short term, to cover the shortfall the Foodbank is purchasing some such items from its funds. Supporters of the Foodbank are encouraged to donation more items as there is still a real need for the Foodbank as the number of clients requesting emergency food has not reduced.

There will be an opportunity at each of the Benefice Harvest services for the

congregation to donate items to the Foodbank. Items must be non-perishable and have at least a month before the best before date. If possible could donations be from the following list of wanted items that we urgently need at this time, namely:-

- Tins of spaghetti bolognese, fruit, macaroni cheese, and rice pudding.
- Cartons of fruit juice and dairy UHT milk
- Bottles of pasta sauce, Packets of sugar.
- Toiletries such as shower gel and deodorants.
- Laundry and Cleaning materials such as washing machine detergent pods and washing up liquid

Thank you for your continuing support. Norman Osborne (Volunteer Manager, Saltford Foodbank Distribution Centre)

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

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=L0FWMnZENHIvZ3VxS3FOeWpaNXJWZz0 9

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.





On Sunday 9 June, we held a special service in St Mary's churchyard as part of Saltford Festival. Many will remember that lovely summer morning! Our speaker was Alex Eldridge, Director of Grow for Life, a social and therapeutic gardening charity based in Newton St Loe. St Mary's raised £317 for the project during Saltford Festival. Some people have set up Direct Debits to provide ongoing support for this worthwhile local charity which was founded on Christian principles and values in 2015. Alex has told us that the project's members were surprised and delighted by our support. It makes such a difference to the charity in their ability to support, nurture and care for their gardeners.



The project would love to welcome us at their annual APPLE DAY on 10 October between 10.00am and 2.00pm. – a celebration of God's gardens in the apple harvest.

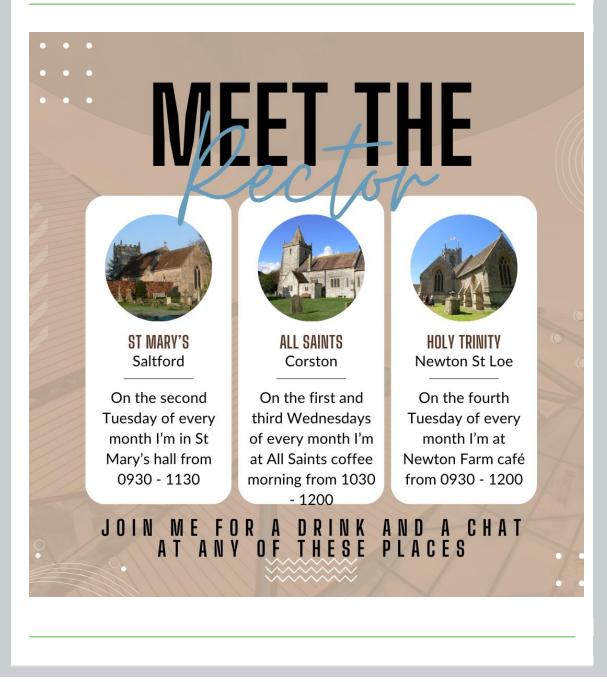
Please support this special day and contact me if you would like to visit the garden in the Spring, possibly the 25 March 2025.

Robin Dixon



Men's Curry Evening

'Is Jesus Essential?' Thursday 7th November 2024 The Riverside Inn, The Shallows, Saltford Arrive 7-7.30pm Cost £20 cash on arrival Speaker - Clover Todman (Pastor at Widcombe Baptist Church) All welcome To book a place, please contact Liz at the Parish Office scnbenefice@gmail.com or 01225 872275







Sunday 29th September from 2.30-4pm

Just come and chat or bring any knitting, sewing etc, swap ideas and patterns

All welcome





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.







- Charity Pub Quiz at The Moorfields in Oldfield Park on Tuesday 24 September at 8pm. Are you ready for a night of trivia and fun? Join us for a <u>Pub Quiz Night</u>. Gather your team and put your knowledge to the test whilst raising some money for Genesis. Call The Moorfields on 01225 982102 to book your table. £2 entry per person.
- Volunteer Coffee Morning on Wednesday 25 September. If you volunteer for Genesis and Bath Foodbank please join us at our volunteer coffee morning at Elim Church from 10am to 12:00noon. We are so thankful for our wonderful volunteers. Please come and enjoy some cake, a hot drink and conversation. It's always a lovely time talking and getting to know each other better.
- Coffee Morning at The Packhorse on Tuesday 1 October from 10am to 12noon. Please come to a coffee morning at The Packhorse, South Stoke for coffee, cake, chat, community and a raffle. All welcome!
- Charity Bop for Bath Foodbank on Saturday 30 November. Join us for a night of Junction 18 playing all you favourite numbers and dancing your socks off! It is at St Mark's Community Centre from 7.30pm - 10.30pm. Tickets are £10 on the door. See the details <u>here.</u>
- London Marathon MyWay 2025. Whether you want to amble along country lanes or power up and over hills, the TCS London Marathon MyWay is your chance to complete 26.2 miles however and wherever you wish on Marathon Day. To earn the coveted TCS London Marathon finisher medal and a New Balance T-shirt, just complete the distance from 00:00 to 23:59:59 BST on Sunday 27 April. <u>Contact</u> <u>Hilary</u> for one of our places.

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.

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