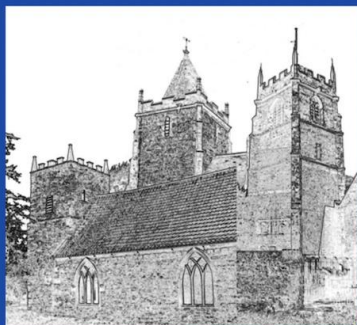


## *The Three Parishes Benefice*



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



**Sunday**

**8th June**

**8.45am**

**Parish Breakfast**

**St Mary's Hall**

**Saltford**

**9.30am**

**Connect (Informal)**

**St Mary's Hall**

**Saltford**

**11.15am**

**Holy Communion**

**Holy Trinity Church**

**Newton St Loe**

**4pm**

Church @ 4  
St Mary's Hall  
Saltford

4pm  
Telephone Service

**Collect**

Holy Spirit, sent by the Father, ignite in us your holy fire; strengthen your children with the gift of faith, revive your Church with the breath of love, and renew the face of the earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

**Readings**

Acts 2:1-21  
John 14:8-17,25-27



# PARISH BREAKFAST



**Grow for Life**

Transforming lives through gardening

**All donations to support Grow for Life, a local social and  
therapeutic gardening charity**

**PLEASE GIVE GENEROUSLY**

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**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> June**  
**From 8.45am in St Mary's Church Hall**

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**Continental breakfast to include tea/fresh coffee**

**Contact Julia Norris for more information**  
**(07977 956 969)**

**Tuesday**

**10th June**

**7.30pm**

**Prayer for Growth**

**St Mary's Church**

**Saltford**

**Wednesday**

**11th June**

**7.30pm**

**Compline**

**Holy Trinity Church**

**Newton St Loe**

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### **Pause for Thought**

What is it like to be a bat?

That question has provoked a lot of discussion over the last fifty years since the book of that title was first published.

Most of us tend to hear the question as asking what it would be like to be a bat.....and then try to imagine being able to fly, use sonar, sleep upside-down etc. But that's not what the question is asking, is it. It's asking how the bat **experiences** life.

The answer to that question is, "We don't know".....because we can't know....because we're not bats.

And this is true even of our fellow human-beings, isn't it?

For example, what does green look like to someone else? We can't explain or describe it to each other either, can we!

These thoughts have implications for our spiritual lives.

Is another person's inner experience the same as mine?

Do we sometimes (even without intending to) *expect* it to be?

Bats and humans share many similar responses to life's events, but bats do so many things differently from us because they **are** different.

Do we sometimes try to be like other Christians we admire by doing things that they do?

Yet doesn't what they do come from who they are within?

They are what they are because of their relationship with God.

Should we not be who **we** are in **our** relationship with God?

[The old advice still stands, 'Be yourself, everybody else is taken'!]

What is it like to be a bat? No idea.

What is it like to be someone else? Not much idea, really.

What is it like to be in relationship with God? That we **do** know.....or can soon find out.

Jesus said, 'Whoever comes to me, I will not turn away.'

To what extent do we allow this relationship alone to shape who we are?

Ken

Plant



**Sunday**

**15th June**

**9.30am**

**Holy Communion**

**St Mary's Church**

**Saltford**

**11.15am**

**Family Service**

followed by BBQ

**All Saints Church  
Corston**

4pm

Telephone Service

6pm

Evensong

**Holy Trinity Church  
Newton St Loe**

**Collect**

Holy God, faithful and unchanging: enlarge our minds with the knowledge of your truth, and draw us more deeply into the mystery of your love, that we may truly worship you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

**Readings**

Prov: 8:1-4,22-31

John 16:12-15



Corston Church  
*Everyone is welcome*  
**FATHER'S DAY**  
**BARBECUE**

**in the CHURCHYARD**  
*Sunday 15 JUNE*  
*12.30pm*  
*following the Family Service*



**Rev. Nigel is  
manning the  
Barbecue**

*Tickets £6  
children under 12 -£4  
to include drinks*

Tickets from:  
Diane Phillips: 07932 587567  
Margaret Warner: 0976 008779

***Please bring  
rugs or chairs***

**Tuesday  
17th June**

**7.30pm  
Prayer for Growth**

**St Mary's Church**  
**Saltford**

**Wednesday**  
**18th June**

**7.30pm**  
**Compline**  
**St Mary's Church**  
**Saltford**



# SKITTLES

**A FUN FAMILY EVENING IN  
NEWTON VILLAGE HALL**



**FRIDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> JUNE**  
**FROM 6.30PM**

**Cost £3 per head  
under 16's free**

**See leaflets in church or contact  
[scnbenefice@gmail.com](mailto:scnbenefice@gmail.com) for more details**

**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#*

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### **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/85017998147?pwd=L0FWMnZENHlvZ3VxS3FOeWpaNXJWZz09>

Meeting ID: 850 1799 8147

Passcode: **Prayer**

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#### **Church Warden Vacancy**

St Mary's Church Saltford have a vacancy for a Church Warden.

If this is a role you may be interested in, please speak to Nigel or contact the Parish Office for an informal chat.

Thank you

# 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

FROM THURSDAY 9TH  
JANUARY!

St. Marys  
Saltford



# ST MARY'S TODDLERS

THURSDAYS  
9:30AM- 11:30AM  
(TERM TIME)

ST MARYS  
CHURCH HALL,  
SALTORD

For babies and  
children aged 0-4



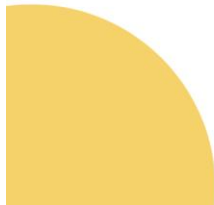
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01225 872275



St Marys Church hall , Queens  
Square, Saltford, BS31 3EL



# 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 St Mary's Toddler Group - weekly

## FRIDAY

10am Foodbank - weekly

## SATURDAY

9am Perform - weekly  
10am Farandole Dancers - monthly (3rd Sat)

## SUNDAY

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



# 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 January      12th February

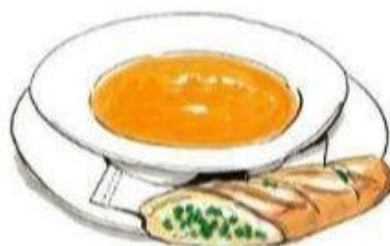
12th March      9th April

14th May      11th 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**



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### 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.

[Donate](#)

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## **Keynsham Pre-Loved Event**

**The Keynsham Town Council is once again holding a Pre-loved event on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> June from 1pm to 4.30pm at the Keynsham Scout Headquarters.**

**'Keynsham Pre-loved' celebrates all the best of sustainable living in Keynsham, encouraging residents to reduce, reuse, recycle and relove their items. The event includes both a fashion show and eco marketplace - encouraging residents to look at their fashion, homeware and lifestyle items in a sustainable way.**

**For further information please contact:**

**Katherine Sears  
Deputy Town Clerk  
Keynsham Town Council  
15 – 17 Temple Street  
Keynsham  
Bristol BS31 1HF**

**Telephone number: 0117 9868683**

**[www.keynsham-tc.gov.uk](http://www.keynsham-tc.gov.uk)**

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## **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**

**Jane George 01225 872275**

**[jane.george2020@gmail.com](mailto:jane.george2020@gmail.com)**

## **Contact Us**

### **Rector**

Revd Nigel Williams

(Day off Friday)

Rector@scnbenefice.org.uk

07850 887498

### **Administrator**

Liz Benden

(Day off Friday)

Parish Office Opening Hours

(term time only)

Tues - Thurs 9am-12pm

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scnbenefice@gmail.com

### **Readers**

#### **(Lay Ministers)**

Teresa Austin

07763 208664

Robin Dixon

01225 359014

Ken Plant

01225 872904

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Julie (Corston)

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David (Corston)

01225 873887

Harvey (Newton)

07711 506676

Matthew (Newton)

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