

Newsletter

5th January 2020

WELCOME TO OUR CHURCHES:

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The New Ainsty Deanery

Lent Course

2020

Finding Our Way as Jesus' People Today:

Exploring the Beatitudes

A series of talks given by the Right Reverend Dr. John Thomson, Bishop of Selby

5 week course commencing Tuesday 3rd March 2020

7.30pm at St. Mary's Church



Please contact the Rectory for more details 01937 844402



St. Mary's CHURCH BOOKSTALL

As part of the brightening up of the entrance to **St Mary's Church**, a small bookstall has appeared, featuring titles for all ages. Books have been chosen which are useful for helping readers engage with the Bible or to deepen their prayer life. Payments can be taken in the Parish Office, or placed in the wall box in church outside office hours.



1 Peter: Confidence in a Complex World – a Bible study series from the London Institute for Contemporary Christianity

On Tuesday evenings at 7pm, starting on February 4th there will be a 6-week Bible study group based on the first letter of Peter, hosted at St Mary's Church and led by the Reverend Nick Morgan. Places are limited and booking is essential.



To develop a confident faith, we need to be grounded in the gospel and our identity in Christ. In his letter to scattered groups of Christians in what is modern-day Turkey, the apostle Peter ignites imagination and inspires hope for the possibilities of everyday life in a complex world. This is a letter that is both exhilarating in its scope and intensely grounded in the grittiness of real life. Like those who first received Peter's letter, we will be challenged to see our daily lives afresh and encouraged to live as confident Christians, Monday to Sunday.

Booking essential via the Parish Office. The cost is £5 to include the study book.

Everyday Faith

Something you can do at home yourself is follow a 3-week course presented in a small booklet. These can be ordered from the Parish Office for £4 per copy.



Everyday Faith invites you on a journey of living faithfully, hopefully and lovingly as a Christian in the 21st century. It offers 21 daily Bible reflections to inspire you to find and follow God in the ordinary - and perhaps extraordinary - stuff of life.

It includes real life stories of how others have found God at work in their lives, and a simple pattern of prayer to help you pause and be aware of God.



Services across the Parish

8.00am SUNDAYS - Traditional Language Holy Communion (BCP) Service

1st,3rd,4th and 5th Sunday of the month at St. Mary's Church, Boston Spa

2nd Sunday of the month at All Saints' Church, Thorp Arch

10.00am WEDNESDAYS - Holy Communion Service at St. Mary's Church, Boston Spa

10.00am SATURDAYS - Holy Communion Service at St. Mary's Church, Boston Spa

10.00am First FRIDAY of Month - Holy Communion at All Saints', Bramham

9.00am MON, TUES,WED and FRI - Morning Prayer at St. Mary's Church, Boston Spa

6.00pm SUNDAYS - Night Prayer at St. Mary's Church, Boston Spa

All Saints' Church, Thorp Arch

05.01.20 9.30am Communion
12.01.20 9.30am Communion
at Walton
19.01.20 4.30pm Benefice Evensong
26.01.20 9.30am Parish Worship

St. Peter's Church, Walton

05.01.20 9.30am Communion
12.01.20 9.30am Communion
19.01.20 9.30am Parish Worship
26.01.20 9.30am Communion

All Saints' Church, Bramham

05.01.20 4.00pm Christingle
12.01.20 10.00am Parish Worship
19.01.20 10.00am Communion
26.01.20 10.00am Parish Worship

St. Mary's Church, Boston Spa

05.01.20 4.00pm Christingle
at Bramham
12.01.20 10.00am Communion
19.01.20 10.00am Communion
26.01.20 10.00am Communion

5th January

Isaiah 60.1-6
Psalm 72. (1-9) 10-15
Ephesians 3.1-12
Matthew 2.1-12

12th January

Isaiah 42.1-9
Psalm 29
Acts 10.34-43
Matthew 3.13-end

19th January

Isaiah 49.1-7
Psalm 40.1-12
1 Corinthians 1.1-9
John 1.29-42

26th January

Isaiah 9.1-4
Psalm 27.1,4-12 (or
27.1-11)
1 Corinthians 1.10-18
Matthew 4.12-23

NEWS & EVENTS :

JANUARY 2020

- 8th Jan **2.00pm** Mothers' Union Meeting at St Mary's Church, Boston Spa
- 14th Jan **2.00pm** Knit and Knatter at St. Mary's Church, Boston Spa
- 15th Jan **9.30am** Mothers' Union Meeting followed by HC at St. Mary's Church, Boston Spa
- 18th Jan **10.00am** Church Magazine Distributors Coffee Morning at St. Mary's Church, Boston Spa

PLEASE HELP US PRAY FOR:

St. Mary's Email Prayer Group
If you would like to include someone on the Prayer list please contact Niki on:
stmarysprayer18@gmail.com

THE RECENTLY DEPARTED:

Alan Dunnington

OCCASIONAL OFFICES:

WEDDINGS:

Daniel Henzell and Ann Marie Sharpe

Saturday 2nd May 2020

10.30am at St. Mary's Church, Boston Spa

BAPTISMS:

Isla Carcie Samociuk

Sunday 9th February 2020

12 noon at All Saints' Church, Bramham

Annie Otway

Sunday 23rd February 2020

12 noon at All Saints' Church, Bramham

FUNERALS:

Alan Dunnington

Tuesday 14th January 2020

11am at St. Luke's Church, Clifford

CHILDREN & YOUTH:

We offer various activities for families, children and young people. For more information contact Kate Kennedy on:

youthcoord.bramhambenefice@gmail.com

Visit our website for more details.

[St. Mary's Ark \(preschool\)](#)

[1.45pm—3.00pm at St Mary's Church](#)

[All Saints', Bramham Ark \(preschool\)](#)

[1.45pm—3.00pm at Bramham Church](#)

[Discoverers \(Reception to Year5\)](#)

[3.30pm—5.00pm at St. Mary's School](#)

[Young Life \(Years 7+\)](#)

[7pm—9pm at St Mary's Church](#)

REGULAR ACTIVITIES:

MON 12.00-1.00pm Yoga

MON 3.45-4.45 Meditation in the Christian Tradition held at 197 High Street, Boston Spa

MON 6.00pm Beavers (during term time)

2nd & 4th TUES 7.30pm Bell Ringing at All Saints' Bramham

WEDS 10.30am Coffee Morning

THURS 7.00pm Church Choir

SAT 10.30am Coffee Morning

All held at St Mary's Church, unless otherwise stated.

The Bible Course



Explore the Bible story

Welcome to the Bible Course

The Bible Course will help you understand the Bible for yourself! Over eight sessions you will see the big picture of the Bible storyline – from Genesis to Revelation. Along the way you will pick up tools and skills to help you read it for yourself! Each session is interactive, with sections of teaching, discussion time and personal reflection. Between sessions there are daily readings to prepare for the following week. By the end of the course you will have confidence to pick up the Bible, read it for yourself and apply it to your life.

Enjoy the course
by Andrew Coleman



Would you like to understand the Bible?

We are offering an eight week course, which will be DVD led with discussions within the group
Grove Farm, Boston Spa LS23 6ER

These sessions will begin on:

Tuesday 21st January

2.00pm

If you are interested please contact:

Parish Office 01937 844402

or

Allison Mann 07598929912

There will be a small fee of £5 to cover the cost of the course booklet.

St. Mary's Church Choir

Boston Spa

Do you like singing?



Why Not Join Our Choir?

All Voices Welcome

Confirmation Classes

Even if you have already been confirmed – perhaps many moons ago! – you are invited to attend our confirmation classes to re-engage with the central truths of the Christian Faith and remind yourself of what it means to be a follower of Jesus.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES 2020

After attending a series of sessions which outline the Christian Faith, confirmation is a church service led by a Bishop at which you confirm that this is your path in life: to be a Christian, a follower of Jesus Christ. The Bishop blesses you with the gift of the Holy Spirit to give you strength and spiritual gifts for the journey of life and journey of faith ahead.

There are classes for children from the age of 12 upwards, and a separate course for adults. We also have an away day to round off both courses together. The course is free of charge and is also suitable for adults who are already confirmed but would appreciate a 'refresher' course.

For further information and to book please email bramhambenefice@outlook.com or call 01937 844402

DATES

Children: 4pm Sunday 1st, 8th, 15th & 22nd March

Adults: 6.30pm Saturday 29th Feb, then 7th, 14th & 21st March

plus an away day for everyone on Saturday 28th March

Confirmation service: Wednesday 22nd April 7.30pm