

Newsletter

6th September 2020

WELCOME TO OUR CHURCHES:

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OUR CLERGY:

Priest in Charge—Rev. Nick Morgan

revnjmorgan@gmail.com

Rev. Trish Anslow, Assistant Priest

Parish Office: 01937 844402

Mon-Thurs 9.30am-12.30pm

Fr. Ken Gabbadon Priest in Charge

St Luke's, Clifford e-mail: kqabba7036@aol.com

I hope you have all had some kind of opportunity to enjoy the summer in one way or another. As most of the local children return to school and as many of us start to return to worshipping in churches, we must never lose sight of those who will not be returning for a variety of reasons. Just as many children will continue to learn at home, or face challenges in accessing education, our worship will continue to try to meet the needs of those who remain at home as well as those joining us in the flesh. Details of both online and church-based services are listed elsewhere in this newsletter. Most Sundays, one of our services will be livestreamed (usually the one I am leading). We must rise to the challenge of meeting to worship with hope and joy where we can, but extending that hope and joy to those who continue to join our worship from home. They are by no means second class worshippers: we have, I hope, much that is positive to learn from our experience of online worship, and about the boundless scope of God's love and grace which transcends the medium through which we worship.

Another change at the moment concerns our ministry with children and young people which, for a number of years, has been very ably co-ordinated by Kate Kennedy. Kate has now relinquished this role to focus her time and talents on other matters, but she will continue to be a member of our church family in this new chapter of her life with us. I am sure you will want to join me in thanking Kate for her amazing work over the years in her role as co-ordinator of our ministry with our younger folk. Her energy, creativity and organisational skills have meant that a huge variety of groups and projects have been offered, and she leaves a fantastic legacy of positive engagement, and nurturing of young people's faith. Thank you Kate for everything you have done in this role, and we look forward to continuing to work and worship alongside you in our parishes in a different guise!

If anyone has any queries relating to children and young people and their important place in the life of our churches, please address these via the Parish Office from now on, rather than via Kate. We will not be rushing into finding a replacement for Kate in her role. Rather, this Autumn term will be a time for reflecting and praying about how we involve and meet the needs of our younger parishioners in the coming years as we take advice from the wider Church. We continue to provide collective worship in a number of local schools and to run our Young Life group for older teenagers, but at a time when family life has changed hugely because of the ongoing pandemic, we need to think carefully about how we support and nurture the faith of our young people and meet these changing needs - so, above all, please pray for discernment and wisdom in our planning.

Physical fellowship is something we all miss. Even when we meet for church services, there is no scope for a chat over coffee afterwards. However, I urge you to keep in touch with one another and keep those church friendships alive - it is as much part of the vibrancy of parish life as the church services. To this end, do consider coming to the Christians Together Harvest service which is on Windmill Hill in Bramham later this month at 1pm on Sunday September 27th. Bring a picnic and something to sit on, and we can at least eat "together" as we worship.

Yours in Christ,
Nick

Services across the Benefice

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

All Saints' Church, Thorp Arch

06.09.20 10.00am All Together at Boston Spa
 13.09.20 9.30am Communion at Walton
 20.09.20 9.30am Parish Worship
 27.09.20 1.00pm CT Harvest Service see advert

St. Peter's Church, Walton

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Romans 13.8-end
 Matthew 18.15-20

13th September

Genesis 50.15-21
 Romans 14.1-12
 Matthew 18.21-35

20th September

Jonah 3.10-end of 4
 Philippians 1.21-end
 Matthew 21.1-16

27th September

Ezekiel 18.1-4, 25-end
 Philippians 2.1-13
 Matthew 21.23-32

BOSTON SPA GREEN GROUP: Every week in **Boston Spa**, Wetherby and Villages, we are getting new members joining us who would like to get involved in some aspect of protecting our local environment, reducing our carbon footprint, increasing biodiversity or reducing waste. There are sub groups also looking at promoting safer cycling, improving the quality of the River Wharfe, creating wildlife corridors and planting trees. If you live locally and would like to know more, check out the website <https://bostongreengroup.co.uk> or Facebook page [BostonSpaandWetherbyGreenGroup](#)

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:

Marcia Wakeham and
Margaret Sunley

OCCASIONAL OFFICES:

WEDDINGS:

BAPTISMS:

FUNERALS:

CHILDREN & YOUTH:

We offer various activities for families, children and young people. For more information contact The Parish Office:
bramhambenefice@outlook.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](#)

ALL YOUTH GROUPS ARE SUSPENDED
AT THE MOMENT.

St. Luke's Church, Clifford

On Sunday 6th Sept at 11.00am we re-commence our Said Mass.

The service will be different during this COVID-19 pandemic.

Each person must take their service booklet home with them, bringing them back the following week.

The offertory plate will be situated centrally in church for your offerings.

Fr Ken will arrive at approx. 10.50am
Hands sanitised on arrival and before receiving the bread at communion and on the way out.

The Said Mass will last approx. 40 mins.

Fr Ken ...

REGULAR ACTIVITIES:

**REGULAR ACTIVITIES WILL RESUME
AS SOON AS IT IS SAFE TO DO SO**

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 (term time only)

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

WEDS 10.30am Coffee Morning

THURS 7.00pm Church Choir

FRI 9.15am Tunetastic (term time only)

SAT 10.30am Coffee Morning

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

CHRISTIANS TOGETHER

HARVEST

LET US GIVE THANKS

SUNDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER

**SERVICE AT 1PM
FOLLOWED BY PICNIC**

**BEACON FIELD, WINDMILL HILL,
BRAMHAM**

Disabled Parking Only
Bring a Picnic

For more details contact:
Rev. Steve Jakeman 01937 842158
The Parish Office: 01937 844402




Supporting




A series of four short Biblical reflections
6pm on Tuesday evenings

"This series is not a glib call to 'cheer up', but comes from a personal resolve to recapture the joy of the Spirit which comes from life in Christ. What does the Bible have to say about joy, and how might that help us to face the challenges of this uncertain and ever-changing world?"

- The Reverend Nick Morgan
presenter of 'JOY'

Your video and microphone will not be enabled on entry, but you will be invited to turn your video camera on at the end of the reflection.

Zoom Meeting ID: 860 9806 5839
Passcode: 152402

One tap mobile: +442030512874; 86098065839*...0*_192402*

6pm Tuesday 8th, 15th, 22nd & 29th September





**Ladies of the
Benefice Retreat**

This years trip has been cancelled.
Hopefully we will be able to
return June 2021
Rev. Trish



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BRAMHAM BENEFICE

FOOD COLLECTION



**SUPPORT WETHERBY
FOOD BANK**



**Collection point 1
Bramham Church Porch
10am - 4pm 7 days a week**

**Collection point 2
St. Mary's Church, Boston Spa
9am - 3pm 7 days a week**

HELP US, HELP OTHERS

