

Newsletter

29th October 2023

WELCOME TO OUR CHURCHES:

CONNECT WITH US ONLINE:



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www.bramhambenefice.org

Parish Office: 01937 844402

Mon-Thurs 8.30am-2.30pm

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OUR CLERGY:

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The Campfire
 - stories to prepare the heart for Christmas.
 Tuesday evenings at 7.30pm in St Mary's Church, Boston Spa

28th November
 The Tooth Fairy is Only the Beginning - a tale of hope

5th December
 Ellen: the Girl Made of Edam - a tale of love

12th December
 The Girl Who Poked Kittens With a Stick - a tale of joy

19th December
 The Impossible Self-Transfiguration of Fryer Michael - a tale of peace

A series of short, seemingly secular stories by The Reverend Nick Morgan.
 Wrap up warm as we gather around an imaginary campfire in a cold church
 as a tale is told, truth is pondered, and a pint in a warm pub is anticipated...

Through the season of Advent, we focus on
 themes including Hope, Love, Joy, and Peace
 as we prepare our hearts to celebrate the birth of Jesus.

In these tales (and a short reflection and prayer after each one) the author ponders these Advent themes.
 The sessions are short (half an hourish) and conclude with an optional pint with the author in The Crown.

Services across the Benefice

Join us at:
facebook.com/BramhamBenefice
or
www.BramhamBenefice.org/online-services

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

8am Sundays - Communion Service

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

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

6pm Sunday—Compline Service at St. Mary's Church, Boston Spa

9.15am Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday Morning Prayer at St. Mary's
Church, Boston Spa

OCCASIONAL OFFICES:

BAPTISM:

WEDDINGS

FUNERALS:

Bonnie Ewen

Sunday 19th November
St Mary's Church
Boston Spa

Jude Ellison

Sunday 26th November
St Mary's Church
Boston Spa

All Saints' Church,
Bramham

29th Oct	10am	Benefice HC at Clifford
5th Nov	10am	Celtic Communion Service
12th Nov	10am	Remembrance Service
19th Nov	10am	Communion Service

All Saints' Church,
Thorp Arch

29th Oct	10am	Benefice HC at Clifford
5th Nov	9.30am	Communion Service
12th Nov	10.50am	Short Service at the War Memorial, Thorp Arch village
19th Nov	4.30pm	Evensong

St. Luke's Church,
Clifford

29th Oct	10am	Benefice Holy Communion
5th Nov	11am	Parish Mass
12th Nov	11am	Remembrance Service
19th Nov	11am	Parish Mass

St. Mary's Church,
Boston Spa

29th Oct	10am	Benefice HC at Clifford
5th Nov	10am	All Together Service
12th Nov	9.45am	Remembrance Service
19th Nov	10am	Communion Service

St. Peter's Church,
Walton

29th Oct	10am	Benefice HC at Clifford
5th Nov		See other church services
12th Nov	9.30am	Remembrance Service
19th Nov	9.30am	Parish Worship

Readings

29th October

Nehemiah 8.1-4a
Colossians 3.12-17
Matthew 24.30-35

5th November

Micah 3.5-end
1Thessalonians 2.9-13
Matthew 24.1-14

12th November

See church notice board / ask your churchwarden

19th November

Ezekiel 34.11-16,20-24
Ephesians 1.15-end
Matthew 25.31-end

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:

Peter Clayton and Charles Marsh

Join us on the 2nd Sunday of each month at 6.30pm
in the Parish Room at St Mary's, Boston Spa.



Flourish is an oasis of calm reflection
in which we explore a rhythm of life which enables us
to flourish and become more like Christ.

This is an act of Christian worship lasting around an hour. It includes Bible readings, guided meditation, music, videos, stories, prayers, and teaching about aspects of life as a follower of Jesus. Tea, coffee, biscuits (and very possibly cake!) will be available from 6pm.

Led by Rev'd Nick Morgan and Jo Davies from Connections Café.

AUTUMN 2023 PROGRAMME:

SEPTEMBER 10 th	THE BIBLE
OCTOBER 8 th	LOVING ONE ANOTHER
NOVEMBER 12 th	ADOPTING PATTERNS OF REST
DECEMBER 10 th	A WORSHIPPING COMMUNITY



You've Got This

*A network for families and carers with
children who have additional needs.
A safe space to share experiences and
advice.*



Tuesday 12th Sept 10.30am & 7.30pm
Tuesday 17th Oct 10.30am & 7.30pm
Tuesday 21st Nov 10.30am & 7.30pm
Tuesday 12th Dec 10.30am & 7.30pm

@ The Parish room, St Mary's Church, Boston Spa
free refreshments

Contact Cassie: cassiechp@hotmail.co.uk or Jo 07783336436
jo.davies@communitymatters.org.uk for further information.

To join the Parent peer support WhatsApp group text 07912384723



*"It's great to be amongst other
parents who understand some of
the challenges we face as a
family in a relaxed place."*

St. Mary's Church

FUNCTION ROOM
AVAILABLE TO HIRE

£12 PER HOUR

TOILETS

WI-FI

FULLY EQUIPPED KITCHEN

PARISH OFFICE
01937 844402

News from around the Benefice

St. Mary's Church,
Boston Spa

100 CLUB 2023/2024

Letters have been distributed for the 100 Club and this is a reminder to please return your completed slip with cheque or cash before the

draws commence in December. Your continued support is ALWAYS appreciated and makes our lives so much easier!!

New members are always greeted with open arms, so if you are thinking of joining the 'Club' PLEASE, PLEASE DO SO

by contacting Freda or Margaret.

Freda Scarr – 01937 842297

Margaret Barker – 01937 844263

This is a really good way to raise funds for St Mary's Church and creates our own little lottery!



St Peter's
**COMMUNION
SERVICE**

1.45pm

11th October
15th November
13th December

ST PETER'S CHURCH
WALTON

Christmas Lights

Switch on

In conjunction with Walton Parish Council

**Saturday 25th November
from 5.30pm**

Walton Main Street

- Live Performance Tingley Brass Band
- Mulled Wine
- Mince Pies
- Soft Drinks
- Count down
- Craft Fair




St. Mary's Church, Boston Spa

Connections

Bramham Benefice

CAFÉ CHURCH

Every Saturday

10am - 12noon

11.15am Short reflection



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St Mary's Church

CHRISTMAS CHOIR



Join our Christmas Choir!

Be part of our annual Community Carol Service

Rehearsals will begin on 9th November at 7pm until 8.30pm (every Thursday until the Carol Service)

The Carol Service will be on December 17th at 4pm

Register your interest now by calling The Parish Office on 01937 844402



Our Annual Memorial Service

A Chance to reflect and remember our loved ones who have died will take place on

5th November at 4.00pm

All Saints' Church, Thorp Arch

If you have a loved one that you would like to be remembered at this service and plan to attend, please either let the Parish Office know their name or add them to the list at the back of any of our churches

(Bramham, Boston Spa, Clifford, Thorp Arch or Walton).

Please make sure the name of your loved one is clearly printed.





**BRIDGE
AFTERNOON**
in aid of St. Peter's Church, Walton

You are invited to make up a table of 4

MONDAY	£10 per person - Afternoon tea - Prizes awarded - Excellent raffle
6th	
NOVEMBER	STARTS AT 2 PM

To be held at
St. Mary's Parish Room,
Boston Spa

Tickets available from
Julia Newman 07703565791
The Parish Office 844402

The Ark



Come and join us

St. Mary's Church, Boston Spa

warmly invite you to join us for play, stories, songs, crafts and fun!

St Mary's Church, Boston Spa

1.30pm—3.00pm

Dates for Autumn 2023

- 7th September
- 21st September
- 5th October
- 19th October
- 9th November
- 23rd November
- 7th December
- 21st December



Christmas Fair
including 'Fake Cake' Competition

All Saints' Church, Bramham
11am - 3pm

- Refreshments
- Stalls
- Meet Santa
- Craft activities
- Fake Cake Competition

**SATURDAY
25th
NOVEMBER**

A free event for the entire family to enjoy!

If you would like to display a 'fake cake' please contact Jillian on 07858293980.
If you would like a stall please contact Emma 07740166706



Christmas Fair
'Fake Cake' Competition

All Saints' Church, Bramham
11am - 3pm
Saturday 25th November 2023

How to enter the 'Fake Cake' Competition

Make a fake cake from boxes, dummy cake bases, lego etc... Be imaginative!
Decorate to a Christmas Theme
Bring along to Church
from 9am on Saturday 25th November

£1 to enter a cake
(to cover the cost of prizes)

For more information on 'fake cakes' please contact Jillian on 07858293980.

UMBRELLA DONATIONS

Please donate umbrellas to help the asylum seekers who are staying in the Gateway Hotel.

They have a 30 minute walk to the nearest bus stop.

Donations can be dropped off at St. Mary's Church



All Saints' Church, Thorp Arch

Friday 27th October

7pm

The Siege of York 1644 Talk

Although a great many will have heard of the Battle of Marston Moor in 1644, many will be less aware of the reason the battle took place – the Siege of York.

In this talk we will cover the events that lead up to the siege, the conduct of the siege, the lifting of the siege by Prince Rupert, and the consequences of the events of 2nd July.



Ticket price £10

includes a glass of wine / soft drink.

Tickets available from Churchwardens
and the Parish Office

The **Bramham**
Benefice 

St. Mary's Email Prayer Group

Are you or someone you know in need of prayer?

We are a group of 20 people in the Bramham Benefice who pray regularly and privately for those who have asked for our prayer support, whatever their needs or beliefs.

To find out more or to request prayer for yourself or someone else, please contact:

Niki Hampson at stmarysprayer18@gmail.com

Please add some details with names. You need to ask permission from those we are praying for.

Details are confidential within the group and names are not read out in church.