Newsletter

Summer 2025 edition (AUGUST)

The Bramham Benefice

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Sunday Services 27th July

8am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) - St Mary's, Boston Spa

10am Benefice Holy Communion - St Luke's, Clifford

6pm Compline - St Mary's, Boston Spa

Sunday Services through August

3rd Aug: 8am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) - St Mary's, Boston Spa

10am Benefice Holy Communion - All Saints', Thorp Arch

10th Aug: 8am Holy Communion (BCP) - All Saints', Thorp Arch

10am Benefice Holy Communion - St Peter's, Walton

17th Aug: 8am Holy Communion (BCP) - St Mary's, Boston Spa

10am Benefice Holy Communion - St Mary's, Boston Spa

24th Aug: 8am Holy Communion (BCP) - St Mary's, Boston Spa

10am Benefice Holy Communion - All Saints', Bramham

31st Aug: 8am Benefice Holy Communion - St Luke's, Clifford

6pm Compline - St Mary's, Boston Spa every week

Note from the vicar:

Over August, our five churches will worship together at 10am each Sunday, taking turns to host. Please see inside for more details. Café Church and Wednesday communions will run as normal. Rev'd Glenda is on sabbatical leave for a few months. We wish her well and pray for her, that this would be a time of refreshment and renewal for her.

If you are visiting us to worship over the summer, please say hello to whoever is leading the service and make yourselves known to us.

Yours in Christ,



Sunday services at St Mary's are livestreamed on our YouTube channel: www.worshipwhereveryouare.live/joinus

Regular weekly services in addition to our main Sunday services

10am Wednesday - Holy Communion Service at St. Mary's Church, Boston Spa
 10am - 12noon Saturdays - Café Church in the St Mary's Room

8am Sundays - Holy Communion Service according to the Book of Common Prayer

1st, 3rd, 4th & 5th Sundays of the month at St. Mary's Church, Boston Spa. 2nd Sunday of the month at All Saints', Thorp Arch

6pm Sunday - Compline at St. Mary's Church, Boston Spa (a short service of Night Prayer)

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

OCCASIONAL OFFICES

BAPTISMS

Mia Colbeck

17th August 2025 St. Mary's Church Boston Spa

WEDDINGS

Joseph Simister & Heather Gainford 9th August, Walton

Paul Johnson & Philippa Dalton 14th August, Bramham

Alexander Appleyard & Hannah Williams
29th August, Boston Spa

Frederick Lane Fox &
Georgiana Holden
4th September, The Chapel of
Our Lady, Bramham Park

FUNERALS

John Middleton-Walker 15th August, Boston Spa 1pm

The recently departed, and those being laid to rest around this time:

Carol Ann Warneford Susan Warnock John Middleton Donna Waterhouse

Pastoral

If you hear of a parishioner who is ill or facing challenges who might appreciate a call or visit from one of our pastoral team, please contact Rev'd Trish Anslow to make us aware of their circumstances. Clergy do not automatically know when people are ill or when life throws them a curved ball, and are completely reliant on the church family to tell them.

Events

There are no events in August.

St. Luke's, Clifford		
27th July	10am	Benefice Holy Communion
All Saints' Thorp Arch		
3rd Aug	10am	Benefice Holy Communion
St. Peter's, Walton		
10th Aug	10am	Benefice Holy Communion
St. Mary's, Boston Spa		
17th Aug	10am	Benefice Holy Communion
All Saints' Bramham		
24th Aug	10am	Benefice Holy Communion
St. Luke's, Clifford		
31st Aug	10am	Benefice Holy Communion

Early September services:

7th Sep 8am Communion (BCP), Boston Spa 9.30am Communion, Thorp Arch 10am Celtic Communion, Bramham 10am All Together, Boston Spa 11am Parish Mass, Clifford 6pm Compline, Boston Spa

14th Sep 8am Communion (BCP), Thorp Arch 9.30am Communion, Walton 10am Communion, Bramham 10am Communion, Boston Spa 11am Parish Worship, Clifford 12.30pm Harmony, Boston Spa 6pm Compline, Boston Spa



Readings

27th July

Genesis 18.20-32 Colossians 2.6-15 Luke 11.1-13

3rd August

Ecclesiastes 1.2, 12–14; 2.18–23 Colossians 3.1–11

10th August

Genesis 15.1-6 Hebrews 11.1-3, 8-16 Luke 12.32-40

17th August

Jer. 23:23-29 Hebrews 11:29-12:2 Luke 12:49-56

24th August

Isaiah 58:9b-14 Hebrews 12:18-29 Luke 13: 10-17

31st August

Prov. 25:6-7 Heb. 13:1-8. 15-16 Luke 14:1, 7-14

7th September

Deut. 30:15-20 Philemon 1-21 Luke 14: 25-33

Children, Families and Community

We have a number of groups to offer support to families, and services which are designed to be especially welcoming to parents who think their children might not be comfortable in more traditional Sunday services. Please note that children are always welcome at any Sunday service - we don't expect them to be still or silent by any means!

Worship and prayer

Café Church - Saturday 10am - 12noon at St Mary's. Light refreshments in our café - pay as you feel! A pause for thought and prayer around 11.15am.

All Together - 1st Sunday of the month, 10am at St Mary's with music from our worship group St. Mary's Email Prayer Group - if you would like to include someone on the prayer list please contact Niki on: stmarysprayer18@gmail.com

St Mary's School Chapel - an area in St Mary's Church with prayer materials drawn from St Mary's School provides a focus for private prayer

Harmony - 2nd Sunday of the month, 12.30-2.30pm at St Mary's. A light lunch followed by a time of worship and prayer. Deaf, hearing impaired and hearing people worshipping together. Note this service does not run in August. Next service is September 14th.

Support

You've Got This - a group for parents or carers of children with additional needs

Bereavement Café - a monthly support group for those navigating the loss of a loved one

Contact Jo Davies: 07783 336436 beneficeconnectionsminister@gmail.com about either group.

Fellowship

Refresh Parents' Café - 1-2.30pm on Thursdays in term time at St Mary's.

Beer and Banter - a men's group, meeting monthly in The Crown, Boston Spa

Contact the Parish Office to be put in touch with the organisers of these groups.

St Mary's Church Choir - a friendly SATB choir who sing every Sunday and rehearse on Thursday evenings. Contact Steve Aston if you want to join us - 01904 625714

Over the last few months we have seen a decline in Food Bank donations at St. Mary's.

If you are able, please add just one thing to your weekly shop and donate it. There is a growing number of people in our community who need help, and school holidays can be a difficult time for some.

PLEASE HELP!





The clothing bank are very short of menswear and it is college season coming up. Any donations gratefully received.

Collection Points for Clothing Bank
St. Mary's, Boston Spa & All Saints', Bramham

Men's clothing, shoes and accessories are desperately needed in all sizes.