Newsletter

November 9th 2025

The Bramham Benefice

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Services this week across the Benefice

9th Nov 8am Communion (BCP), Thorp Arch

9.30am Communion, Walton

10am Remembrance Service, Bramham10am Remembrance Service, Boston Spa

10.50am Act of Remembrance Thorp Arch Green

11am Village Act of Remembrance, Clifford

6pm Compline, Boston Spa

9th November

Job 19.23-27a 2 Thessalonians 2.1-

5,13-17 Luke 20.27-38





CONFIRMATION SERVICE

Led by Rt Revd Dr Flora Winfield, Bishop of Selby

St Mary's Church, Boston Spa

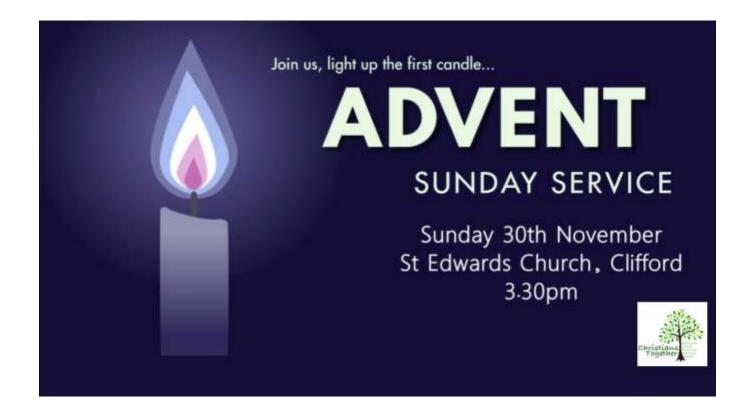
Sunday 7th December 2025 10am

Refreshments served in the village hall after the service All Welcome The Reverend Glenda Webb has stepped down from her role of Associate Priest in the Bramham Benefice. Glenda has retired from licensed ministry in the Diocese of York but will continue to offer her services as a Spiritual Director in the Diocese.

Rev'd Glenda was licensed to the parishes of Lower Wharfe and Thorp Arch in June 2022 and to Clifford in December 2023. As well as leading weekly, Sunday services, Glenda developed links with Bramham School and had a particular pastoral focus at All Saints' Church in Bramham where she introduced a monthly Celtic Communion service. Rev'd Nick Morgan writes, "Glenda brought a wealth of experience as a Chaplain and Spiritual Director to ministry in our parishes, joining us initially with a particular focus on

developing our Children's Ministry. In her time with us Glenda has worked across the whole range of parish ministry in our villages: taking weddings and funerals, pastoral visiting, being involved in baptism preparation, schools' work and much else. Glenda also chaired the local Christians Together group from July 2024 until her sabbatical began this year. Her prayerful approach, pastoral concern for people, and creative approach to ministry has contributed to the vibrancy of the life of our churches in recent years. We shall miss her!"







15th Nov		Christmas Fair at St. Mary's, Boston Spa
21st Nov	6pm	Bramham Lights Switch On in Bramham village
29th Nov		Community Craft activities at All Saints', Bramham
29th Nov	4.30pm	Walton Lights Switch On in Walton village
30th Nov	3.30pm	Christians Together Advent Service at St. Edward's, Clifford
6th Dec	11am	Christmas Fair at All Saints', Bramham
7th Dec	10am	Confirmation Service at St. Mary's, Boston Spa
8th Dec	6.30pm	Community Carols in The Albion pub, Clifford
14th Dec	12.30pm	Harmony 'Advent theme' at St. Mary's, Boston Spa
14th Dec	4pm	Carol Service at All Saints', Bramham
19th Dec	6pm	Carols in the churchyard at All Saints', Bramham
20th Dec	3.30pm	Lessons and Carols at St Luke's, Clifford
21st Dec	9.30am	Lessons and Carols at All Saints', Thorp Arch
21st Dec	9.30am	Lessons and Carols at St. Peter's, Walton
21st Dec	4pm	Carols Service at St. Mary's, Boston Spa
24th Dec	3pm	Crib Service at St. Mary's, Boston Spa
24th Dec	4pm	Crib Service at All Saints', Bramham
24th Dec	9pm	1st Mass of Christmas at St. Luke's, Clifford
24th Dec	11pm	Midnight Mass at St. Mary's, Boston Spa
24th Dec	11.30pm	Midnight Mass at All Saints', Bramham
24th Dec	11.30pm	Midnight Mass at All Saints', Thorp Arch
25th Dec	8am	BCP at St. Mary's, Boston Spa
25th Dec	9.30am	Holy Communion at St. Peter's, Walton
25th Dec	10am	Holy Communion at St. Mary's, Boston Spa
25th Dec	10am	Holy Communion at All Saints', Bramham
25th Dec	11am	Holy Communion at St. Luke's, Clifford
28th Dec	10am	Benefice Communion at St Peter's, Walton





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Clifford

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16th Nov 8am Communion (BCP), Boston Spa

9.30am Parish Worship, Walton

10am Communion, Bramham

10am Communion, Boston Spa

11am Communion, Clifford

3.30pm Even Song, Throp Arch

23rd Nov 8am Communion (BCP), Boston Spa

9.30am Parish Worship, Thorp Arch

9.30am Communion, Walton

10am Communion, Bramham

10am Communion, Boston Spa

11am Communion, Clifford

Readings

9th November

Job 19.23-27a 2 Thessalonians 2.1-5,13-17

Luke 20.27-38

16th November

Malachi 4.1-2a 2 Thessalonians 3.6-13 Luke 21.5-10

23rd November

Jerimiah 23.1-6 Colossians 1.11-20 Luke 23.33-43



If you are unable to join us for worship on a Sunday in person, go over to

https://bramhambenefice.org/

and watch the Service from St. Mary's Church every Sunday

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 **10am 1st Tuesday of the month,** <u>starting 2nd December</u> Holy Communion in the Chapel of Our Lady, Bramham Park, a traditional language service using the Book of Common Prayer.

OCCASIONAL OFFICES

BAPTISMS

Emilia-Grace Fisher

16th November 2025 St. Mary's Church, Boston Spa

George Levenston

16th November 2025 All Saints' Church, Bramham

WEDDINGS

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Margaret Learmonth

FUNERALS

17th November 2025 11.45am St Marys Church, Boston Spa

Sheila Bowes

18th November 2025 11.30am St Marys Church, Boston Spa

Sheila Morton

20th November 2025 12.30pm St Marys Church, Boston Spa

Valerie Hall

27th November 2025 11.45am All Saints' Church, Thorp Arch

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.

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

Margaret Learmonth Sheila Bowes Sheila Morton Valerie Hall Dolly Mullen

Events around the Benefice

St Mary's Church Boston Spa

100 Club

2025 / 2026

Letters have been distributed for the 100 Club and this is just a reminder to return your completed slip with a cheque or cash before the draws commence in December.

THANK YOU so much for your continued support towards raising funds for St Mary's Church.

We are always delighted to welcome new members, so if you are thinking of joning the 'Club' PLEASE, PLEASE DO SO by contacting Freda or Margaret

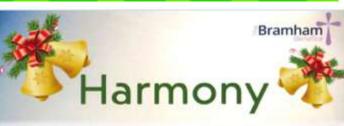
Freda Scarr - 01937 842297 Margaret Barker - 01937 844263

100 CLUB









A worshipping community where deaf and hearing people gather to eat, pray, and respond to God's Word together.

Our December meeting will have an Advent Theme

Where: The Parish Room at St Mary's Church, Boston Spa

When: The 2nd Sunday of the month at 12.30pm - 2.30pm

What: A light lunch

followed by a time of prayer, Bible reading and worship.



First date: July 14th 2024

No charge for lunch – pay as you are able, or simply be our guest. St Mary's Church, High St. Boston Spa. LS23 6DR

Refresh Parents Cafe

Thursdays Term time 1pm to 2:30pm The Parish Room at St Mary's Church Boston Spa



Refreshments and childrens activities. Donations welcome but not required.

Parents of all aged children come and take a breather.

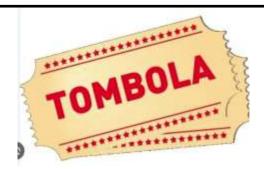
or more information contact

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St Peter's Church are running a family tombola at the

Christmas Light Switch On in Walton on Saturday November 29th

If anyone would like to donate a tombola prize please contact Anne 842561

Doreen 07729812901

Audrey 844906

We can collect.

Alternatively prizes can be dropped off the St. Mary's Church Parish Office

Please donate prizes before 23rd November



- Stalls
- Meet Santa
- Craft activities

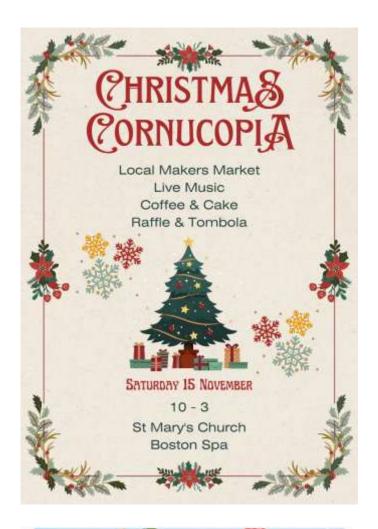
SATURDAY 6th December

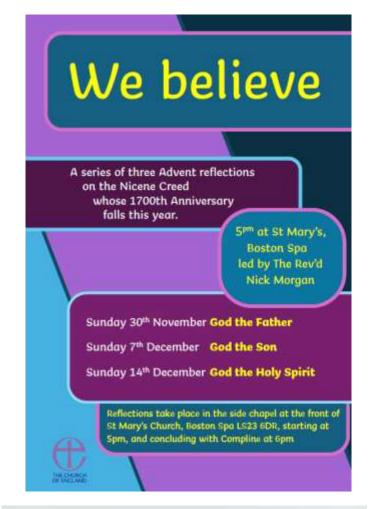
A free event for the entire family to enjoy!

If you would like to display a stocking please contact Jillian on 07858293980.

If you would like a stall please contact Emma 07740166706 email - allsaintsbramham2020@gmail.com

















10am - 12 noon St Mary's Church

A warm welcome for all ages Coffee and refreshments including home-baked cakes.

Children's activities

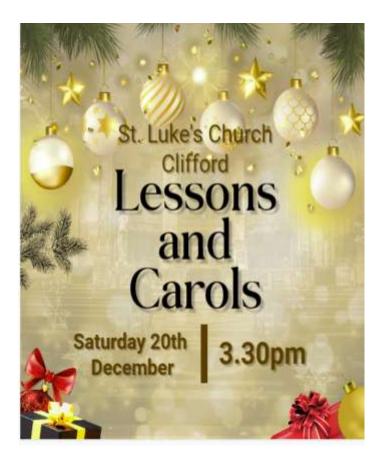
10 minute "Pause for Thought" at 11.15am

Pay as you feel Everyone Welcome



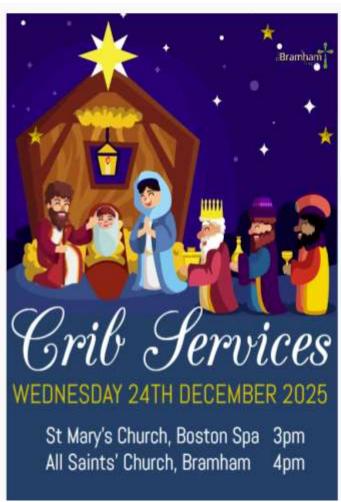














Children, Families and Community

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 (2nd Thursday of the month at 7.30pm 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

4 Lessons on the Words of the Eucharist Course - a 4 session course led by Revd. Hannah. 7pm - 8.30pm at St Mary's Church. 7th and 21st October / 4th and 18th November for more information and to book on this course contact Revd Hannah 07449537241

Confirmation Classes - Sunday 26th October 1pm-6.30pm and November 23rd 4pm-6.30pm

Collection Points for Clothing Bank and Food Bank

St. Mary's, Boston Spa & All Saints', Bramham



