

Newsletter

20th SEPTEMBER 2026

The Bramham Benefice

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The Archbishop of York's Advent Book this year is "Walking with Angels"

by Bishop Eleanor Sanderson, the Bishop of Hull.

This reflective guide encourages readers to slow down, step outside, and engage both body and spirit as you journey through the Advent season.

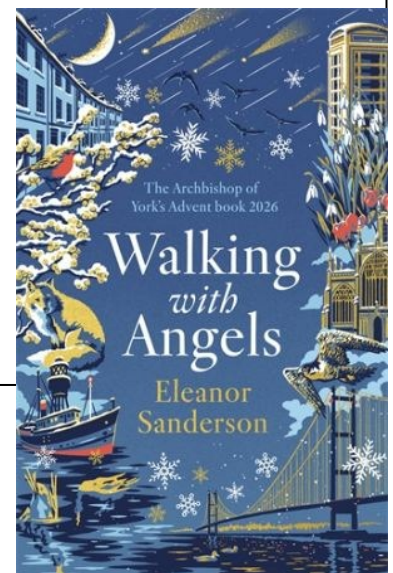
Drawing on the words spoken by angels in Scripture, it explores how these messengers of God reveal the good news at the heart of the Christian story.

Each of the four weeks of Advent focuses on a different aspect of that message, helping readers grow in love for God, for their neighbours, and for themselves.

Rooted in humility and attentiveness to Christ's authority, this practice grounds prayer in everyday life, inviting us to earthly voices with the praise of heaven

You can buy this book directly from the publisher.
interested in forming a book club to meet in Advent,
please contact the vicar.

<https://spckpublishing.co.uk/walking-with-angels-970>



September / October Services:

Readings

20 th Sept	8am	Holy Communion (BCP) Boston Spa
	9.30am	Parish Worship, Walton
	10am	Holy Communion, Boston Spa
	10am	Holy Communion, Bramham
	11am	Harvest Communion Festival, Clifford
	6pm	Pet Service, Thorp Arch

20th September

Jonah 3.10-end of 4
Philippians 1.21-end
Matthew 20.1-16

27 th Sept	8am	Holy Communion (BCP) Boston Spa
	9.30am	Parish Worship, Thorp Arch
	9.30am	Holy Communion, Walton
	10am	Harvest communion, Boston Spa
	10am	Harvest Festival, Bramham
	11am	Parish Worship, Clifford

27th September

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

4 th October	8am	Holy Communion (BCP) Boston Spa
	9.30am	Parish Worship, Thorp Arch
	10am	All Together Service, Boston Spa
	4pm	Pet Service, Bramham
	11am	Holy Communion, Clifford

4th October

Isaiah 5.1-7
Philippians 3.4b-14
Matthew 21.33-end

11 th October	8am	Holy Communion (BCP) Thorp Arch
	9.30am	Holy Communion, Walton
	10am	Holy Communion, Boston Spa
	10am	Holy Communion, Bramham
	11am	Parish Worship, Clifford

11th October

Isaiah 25.1-9
Philippians 4.1-9
Matthew 22.1-14



CELEBRATION OF LAY MINISTRIES

with the Admission and Licensing of
Licensed Lay Ministers (Readers)

by
The Most Reverend and Right Honourable
Stephen Cottrell
Lord Archbishop of York, Primate of England and Metropolitan

Saturday 12th September 2026
at 10.30am

On Saturday 12th September in York Minster, members of our Benefice were licensed as ALMs. Authorised Lay Ministers take up a variety of ministry roles in parishes in the Diocese of York. Each minister has their own area of focus, but roles among this team include leading worship, pastoral support around a parish, community support and outreach, and offering church groups in settings outside churches.



**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, Holy Communion in the Chapel of Our Lady, Bramham Park, a traditional language service using the Book of Common Prayer.

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

www.worshipwhereveryouare.live/joinus

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

**1ST TUESDAY
OF THE MONTH
HOLY
COMMUNION
IN THE CHAPEL
OF OUR LADY
BRAMHAM PARK
10AM**

OCCASIONAL OFFICES

BAPTISMS

WEDDINGS

FUNERALS

Joseph Kirkbright

and

Hollie Gostling

St Peter's Church, Walton

19th September 2026 at 2.30pm

Ken Elsworth

All Saints' Church, Bramham

24th September 2026

12.15pm

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:

Elizabeth 'Joy' Stevenson
Peter Wells
John Prosser
Kenneth Elsworth

Bereavement Cafe

A safe place to meet with others experiencing grief

Drop in for a cup of tea and a chat

1st Thursday of the month
10:30am to 12pm

Free to Attend at
St Mary's Church
Parish Room
Boston Spa LS23 6DR

CONTACT JO FOR MORE INFORMATION:
07783336436

beneficeconnectionsminister@gmail.com



HARMONY



d/Deaf and hearing people worshipping together



2nd Sunday of the month
at St Mary's Church, Boston Spa, LS23 6DR

12.30pm – 2.30pm

7 bus (Leeds – Harrogate)
stops just outside

12.30pm: light lunch together – pay as you feel
please tell us about any dietary requirements.
1.30pm: worship and prayer time
finishes at 2.30pm

No booking required, but for catering it would be useful if you let us know you're coming.

Our next meetings:

September 13th – Holy habits

October 11th – Harvest

No meeting in November

December 13th – Advent: get ready to welcome Jesus!

All welcome. Contact revnjmorgan@gmail.com or text / WhatsApp him on 07387 728 009 for more information

Take a Moment

A relaxed evening
to pause, reflect
and connect



Whether you're curious
about faith, looking for a
sense of community, or
simply want an hour of
peace in a busy week,
you're warmly invited.

EVENING GATHERING



First
Wednesday
of every month



6:00pm –
7:00pm



Bramham
Parish Centre

WHAT TO EXPECT



Friendly
welcome



Reflection
time



Conversation
and community



Tea, coffee
and
refreshments

No church experience needed.
No pressure. No expectations.
Come as you are.

EVERYONE
is welcome.



Hosted by
All Saints' Church, Bramham

Come, ye thankful people, come!



Harvest 2026



After a challenging year for our farmers, and with many households struggling with rising food prices, we gather to pray for those involved in providing our food, give thanks to God for what we have, and reflect on the fruit of our lives.

Harvest Festival services:



Clifford	St Luke's Church: 20 th September, 11am
Boston Spa	St Mary's Church: 27 th September, 10am
Bramham	All Saints' Church: 27 th September, 10am
Walton	St Peter's, Walton: 18 th October, 9.30am
Thorp Arch	All Saints' Church: 25 th October, 9.30am

All welcome! Please bring donations of non-perishable food items for Wetherby & District Foodbank.



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.



For more information contact

Jo Davies : 07783336436

beneficeconnectionsminister@gmail.com

Facebook: bramhambenefice





**Every Saturday
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**



Bramham

CiCoS

10am Sunday!
Children in Church on Sunday
at St Mary's, Boston Spa

Discover Learn
Grow Have fun
Belong

Come and join us on Sundays
at our 10am services!

CiCoS is a fun, friendly time where children can learn about God, make friends, and be part of our growing church community.

1st Sunday every month:
All Together service
All other Sundays, CiCoS!

We stay in church for most of the service
and are given opportunities to join in,
but spend time in CiCoS for about 20 mins in the middle.

Whether you're visiting us for the first time, or regularly attend church, we'd love to welcome you. Just turn up to our 10am service (children must be accompanied to church by an adult).

For more information, please contact the vicar, Rev'd Nick Morgan: revnjmorgan@gmail.com

The Church of England

PET SERVICES

Thank God for Pets!

6pm, 20th Sept. at All Saints', Thorp Arch

4pm, 4th Oct. at All Saints', Bramham

With Rev'd Nick Morgan

Includes a Blessing of the Pets,
so bring them (or a photo of them) along!

Bramham

Please donate

TOMBOLA

PRIZES

FOR
**ALL SAINTS' CHURCH
BRAMHAM**

Christmas Fair

*Together we can make this
tombola better than last year!*

To be donated by
FRIDAY 27th NOVEMBER
TO
Emma Hunter
16 FIRBECK ROAD,
BRAMHAM
OR
The Parish Office
AT ST. MARY'S CHURCH,
BOSTON SPA

As the children head back to school, you may be thinking about having a clear-out at home.

If you have anything suitable for the **All Saints' Church, Bramham Tombola Stall**, we would be very grateful for your donations — so we can get the ticketing underway!

Many thanks for your continued support.

Emma

An Evening with Snake Davies
31st October 2026 7.00pm
At ALL SAINTS' CHURCH
BRAMHAM

Tickets: £25 to include a glass of wine and canapes. Please contact Jillian Lawson on 07858 293980, for Tickets.



Snake is well known for his many and varied band concerts, and as sax-man to the stars, having toured and recorded extensively with Lisa Stansfield, The Eurythmics, Paul McCartney, M-People, Swing out Sister, Take That and many others. He makes frequent high-profile excursions to the East with Japan's biggest rock star Eikichi

Yazawa.

Here is an opportunity to see and hear Snake in a different light. An informal acoustic evening with music and chat. Snake will treat us to a demonstration of the whole range of saxophones plus an array of other instruments, including flutes, whistles, steel handpan and the

Japanese Shakuhachi.

He'll tell some tales from life in the music business and on the road and will take questions on absolutely any subject.
Suitable for ALL ages

All Saints' Festival Weekend

Come and celebrate All Saints' Day and our
Dedication Feast!

Saturday 31st October 2026 – Sunday 1st November
2026 at All Saints' Church, Bramham

An Evening with Snake Davies

Saturday 31st October at 6pm for 7pm

Please contact Jillian Lawson for tickets: 07858 293980

Choral Evensong

Sunday 1st November at 4.00pm

Community Supper

Sunday 1st November at 6pm in the Bramham Parish
Centre. Please contact the Parish Office for your **free**
tickets: 01937 844402.

During the Weekend the church will be open featuring
Artwork from Bramham Primary School.



CHRISTMAS CORNUCOPIA

Local Makers Market with beautiful
hand-made Christmas gifts
Live Music
Coffee & Cake
Raffle & Tombola

SATURDAY 28TH NOVEMBER
10am - 2pm
St Mary's Church, Boston Spa



ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, BRAMHAM

CHRISTMAS FAIR

and
CHRISTMAS TREE COMPETITION

SATURDAY 5TH DECEMBER 2026
11AM - 3PM

REFRESHMENTS STALLS (NEW AND OLD) MEET SANTA TREE COMPETITION

A free event for the entire family



Festive Flower Evening

with
Clair Strike

**Wednesday 18th November
at 7pm**
All Saints' Church, Thorp Arch

Tickets £15 each
includes a glass of wine
and mince pie

Raffle

For tickets contact
Janette 07952462029
or Gill 07810476539

A MUSICAL EVENING AT ST MARY'S, GARFORTH

Raising funds for St Mary's Church organ
with Simon Noble, Garforth Organist
& St Mary's Music Group

On Saturday 26th September at 7p.m.

Come and enjoy an evening of wonderful music!

Simon Noble will be playing a variety of
memorable music on the organ.

St Mary's Music Group will be
making their debut.

Refreshments will be served in the
Parish Centre during the interval.

Tickets are £8 and can be purchased by emailing
admin@stmarysgarforth.co.uk

or in person from St Mary's Parish Centre
Sundays between 11.50am and 12.50pm
Mondays between 1pm and 3pm
Wednesdays between 10am and 12pm



Featuring Simon,
All Saints' Bramham organist

All Saints' Day service

Thorp Arch, 1st November

11am Holy Communion

followed by a Parish Lunch at The Pax

To join the parish lunch please contact the
Parish Office or Chris Brerendt
(07889158726)



During the service and on the Sunday the church will be displaying artwork based on the stories of Northern Saints created by the Children of Lady

Elizabeth
Hastings
School.



You've Got This at
Boston Spa



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



At St Mary's Church Parish Room LS23 6DR

Mondays
Evenings
7:30pm to 9:00pm

September 21st
October 19th
November 16th
December 14th

Contact Adele 0113 4504866 or email
adele.cooper@communitymatters.org.uk or
cassiechp@hotmail.co.uk



Our Annual Memorial Service

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

25th October 2026 at 6pm

All Saints' Church, Bramham

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.

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.

Take a moment – 1st Wednesday of the month at Bramham Parish Centre, 6pm-7pm. A relaxed evening to pause, reflect and connect

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.

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