

NewsLink

15th September—28th September 2024



Churches of North
Bradford on Avon
& Villages

Dear Friends,

As I write this we are half way through the season of Creationtide. At St Peter's on Sunday, we explored together the wonderful words of Psalm 8 (do have a read, it really is a beautiful psalm). In it, David writes 'what is humankind that you are mindful of them, human beings that you care for them? You have made them a little lower than the angels and crowned them with glory and honour'. To know that we are made in God's image and loved beyond measure is precious and something that we should daily give thanks for, but with this crown comes responsibility; in how we relate to the whole of the created world.

I don't know about you but sometimes the weight of responsibility feels great and the worries and doubts can creep in. However this afternoon, my eyes glanced to the side of my desk where I have a poem by Helen Mallicoat which says this:

*I was regretting the past
and fearing the future...
Suddenly my Lord was speaking:
"My name is I AM."*

He paused. I waited. He continued,

*"When you live in the past,
with its mistakes and regrets,
it is hard. I am not there.
My name is not I was.*

*"When you live in the future,
with it's problems and fears,
it is hard. I am not there.
My name is not I will be.*

*"When you live in this moment,
it is not hard.
I am here.
My name is I AM".*

We know that God is past, present and future, but for me this poem reminds me of the importance of living with God in the now; sharing our lives and placing our trust in the one who loves us.

As I was thinking about this, it struck me that to live in the moment, makes us more attentive to what is around us. When anything has our full attention, it gets the best of us rather than the slightly frazzled, mind elsewhere part of us and I'm left wondering, what difference could that make to how we relate to our wonderful Lord, the people around us and the world in which we live?

Every blessing, Katie

Upcoming Services

Sunday 15th September

10:00am Holy Communion, St Nicholas Church, Winsley, led by Paul Batson

10:00am Holy Communion, St James Church, South Wraxall (jointly with St Peter's Church, Monkton Farleigh), led by Rev. Tim Hawkings

10:30am Morning Prayer, Christ Church, Bradford on Avon, led by Rev. Katie Jackson

Sunday 22nd September 2024

10:00am Holy Communion, St Peter's Church, Monkton Farleigh (jointly with St James Church, South Wraxall), led by Rev. Keith Charnley

10:00am Worship Together, St Nicholas, Winsley, led by Rev, Katie Jackson

10:30am Refresh, Christ Church, Bradford on Avon, led by Zoe Yeomans

Wednesday 25th September 2024

10:30am Holy Communion, Christ Church, Bradford on Avon, led by Rev. Katie Jackson

Sunday 29th September 2024

10:30am Benefice Service with Holy Communion, Christ Church, Bradford on Avon, led by Rev. Katie Jackson and Rev. Tessa Mann

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The next edition of NewsLink will be on **Sunday 29th September 2024.**

Please email any relevant contributions to the Benefice Office at nboabenefice@gmail.com by **Monday 23rd September 2024.**

You can read the full version on our website at www.nboachurches.co.uk

Harvest Services 2024

Christ Church, Bradford on Avon -
Sunday 6th October 10:30am

St Nicholas Church, Winsley -
Sunday 6th October 10am

St Peter's, Monkton Farleigh -
Sunday 6th October 10am

St James, South Wraxall -
Sunday 20th October 10am

All warmly welcome

Ministry Team:

Rector: Revd. Katie Jackson (01225 722230)
Revd. Tessa Mann (309374)

Lay Pastoral Assistants:

Stephen Pike (782537), Denise Davies (863678)
Gill Fairhurst (867560), Daphne Cox (868224)
Elizabeth Bush (866624), James Middleton (920564)

Children's and Families Worker:

Zoe Yeomans zyeomans3@gmail.com

Church Wardens:

Winsley: Roy Ludlow (868779) Linds Batson (720069)

Christ Church: Vacancy

South Wraxall: Dave Wyper (865384) Valentine Thornhill (862552)

Monkton Farleigh: Rachel and Colin Exley: (851485)

Benefice Office:

Kate Davies (865046),
nboabenefice@gmail.com

Social Events Across the Benefice

Wednesday 18th September 10.00am - **Kettle's On** - a friendly café-style morning at St Nicholas Church

Wednesday 18th September 1:30pm - **Conversation and Craft** - Christ Church

Thursday 19th September 10:00am - **The Ark** - Parent & Toddler Group at Christ Church

Wednesday 25th September 10:30am - **Sunbeams** - Parent & Toddler Group at St Nicholas Church

Wednesday 25th September 7pm - **Tales From Victorian England & India** - Talk and Supper at St Nicholas Church

Thursday 26th September 10:00am - **The Ark** - Parent & Toddler Group at Christ Church

North Bradford and Villages Men's and Ladies' Groups

Wednesday 25th September 2024
7.00pm in St Nicholas Church Hall, Winsley

TALES FROM VICTORIAN ENGLAND & INDIA

Phillip Bush will tell stories from a very different time, inspired by the letters of his grandfather, the Reverend Herbert Wheler Bush

Supper will be a range of Indian curries
(bring your own drinks)

All men and ladies in the four parishes, whether church members or not, are warmly invited.

(No parking available in the Church Hall car park due to building works)

Please book with Paul Billingham asap
(pr24bill@aol.com or 01225 722229)

Mount Pleasant Centre Vacancy - Treasurer

The Board of Trustees of the Mount Pleasant Centre have a vacancy for a Treasurer. This is a voluntary role which is fully supported by qualified book-keeping and examining year end account professionals.

If you are interested and feel you would like to contribute to the running of the popular and well used community asset, please contact the Centre Chairman, Derek Robins, who will be happy to provide any additional information required.

Derek can be contacted on
danderobins@talktalk.net

WINSLEY CHURCH HALL REMINDER - WORK ON THE NEW ROOF

The work on the roof started on Monday 2nd September and will take 3-4 weeks with fair weather. In September the arrangements and restrictions for using the hall are:

- It will be closed during the working day – Monday to Friday – and some Saturdays. It is planned that it will be available for use in the evenings and on Sundays.
- Sunbeams and Kettle's On will take place in the church during September. Access to the toilets in the hall will be possible on Wednesday mornings.
- With the exception of a few spaces reserved for the social club and School House, the church hall car park will be closed as the space is needed by the contractor.
- The hall will be surrounded by low-level scaffolding, but gaps will be left so that the principal entrances can be used.

Hello from our new Benefice Administrator

A heartfelt thank you to everyone for such a warm welcome during my first week with you. To introduce myself, I'm Kate and I live near Monkton Farleigh with my husband, and our two children. It has been such a joy to meet so many of you already and I look forward to meeting many more of you in the coming months. Other than attending the Four Churches Forum fortnightly, I will be based in the Benefice Office each morning and can be contacted on 01225 865046 or at nboabenefice@gmail.com.

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UPCOMING DATES FOR

CONVERSATION & CRAFT

CHRIST CHURCH
BRADFORD-ON-AVON

Wednesday
18th Sept
1:30pm - 3:00pm

Wednesday
16th Oct
1:30pm - 3:00pm

Wednesday
27th Nov
1:30pm - 3:00pm

An opportunity for people
of all ages to come together
to enjoy refreshments,
conversation and craft

FREE TO ATTEND - ALL WELCOME!

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Grieving? You're not alone.

Grief can make us feel isolated at times. You can find support at your local Grief Kind Space where you can meet other people going through a similar experience.

There's no need to register in advance, simply come along on the day during the opening times.

Come along to our Grief Kind Space.
Drop in every Thursday, between 10.00am and 12.00pm at The Hub@BA15, Church Street, Bradford-On-Avon, BA15 1LS



If you'd like to find out more visit sueryder.org/GriefKindSpaces or email us at GriefKindSpaces@sueryder.org
For more ways to access bereavement support visit sueryder.org/griefsupport



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KETTLE'S ON
Wednesday 18th September
10.00am – 12.00pm
Friendly café-style morning
Please note, this will be in
St Nicholas' Church.



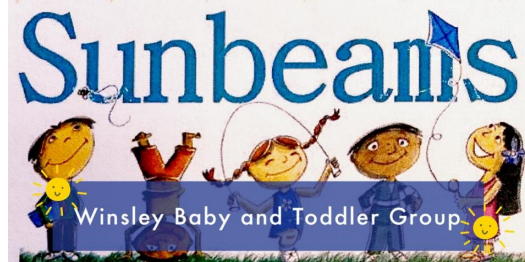
Baby and Toddler Café

Parent and Toddler group
every Thursday in term
time at Christ Church,
Bradford on Avon from
10.00am

Come along with your little
ones for a fun time with toys, story, songs,
craft and snacks to finish.

For more details, contact Hilary Pike

01225 782527



Winsley Baby and Toddler Group

Parent and Toddler group at St Nicholas
Winsley on the second and fourth
Wednesday at 10.30am.

Please note, for September this will take
place in St Nicholas Church.

Please contact Mary Hewetson
for more details: 01225 722210

All are welcome!

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