

# NewsLink

25th February—9th March 2024



Churches of North  
Bradford on Avon  
& Villages

Dear Friends,

Monday 26th February is a big day in the life of our four churches and communities. We look forward to this much anticipated day as Revd. Katie Jackson is licensed and installed as our Rector of North Bradford and Villages, and we welcome her, together with her lovely family Rob, Matty and Lottie.

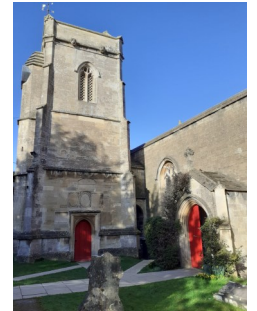


Christ Church will be bursting with friends from St Mary's Broughton Gifford, All Saints Great Chalfield, and St Katharine's Holt where Katie has served her curacy, as well as representatives from the wider church, our Bishop, Archdeacon and Rural Dean, and of course parishioners from our four churches and communities here. The service starts at 7pm, and you are advised to allow time to find somewhere to park thoughtfully. (Please share transport if you can.)



The institution service of a new rector is a great occasion. It's called the celebration of new ministry, and for me one thing stands out loud and clear. Although the focus will be upon Katie and her ministry among us, this ministry is shared with us all.

During the service she will be led symbolically first to the font, then to the lectern and pulpit, and finally to the altar as signs of the ministry entrusted to her...but at each point she will ask us: *Will you share with me in the ministry of making new disciples to which we are called together?... Will you share with me in the regular study and proclamation of God's word that together we may bring the light of faith to a dark world, kindle the fire of love in a cold world, and open the door of hope in a tired world?... Will you share regularly with me in this Sacrament of Holy Communion, that we may grow in unity and love?*



We're in this together!

As she is handed the bishop's licence of authority, he will say the awesome words "Receive this cure of souls which is both yours and mine." It's important that we offer Katie our love and prayers as she settles in over the coming weeks and months. She will need space and freedom to be herself, so that she may exercise this cure of souls in a sustainable way for her and for us all.



Over the past ten months we have been collectively praying: Almighty God, we give you thanks for the many people and places that make up this part of the body of Christ. As we work together to make Jesus known in the communities we serve, we look to you for all that we need. Keep us faithful, generous and united in our love for you and each other as we prepare for a new beginning. Give us courage to follow you with hope and joy in our hearts. May we be open to change and ready graciously to welcome our new Rector, Katie, on whom we now pray your blessing. Amen.

With every blessing,

Revd. Tim Hawkings

## Upcoming Services

### Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> February

10.00am Morning Prayer Service, St James' Church, South Wraxall, jointly with St Peter's, Monkton Farleigh. Led by Roy Ludlow.

10.00am Holy Communion Service, St Nicholas Church, Winsley. Led by Revd. Tessa Mann.

10.30am Refresh Service, Christ Church, Bradford on Avon. Led by Denise and the Refresh team.

### Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February

7.00pm Licensing Service for Revd. Katie Jackson, Christ Church, Bradford on Avon. Led by Archdeacon the Ven Sue Groom, Revd. Tessa Mann and Revd. Katie Jackson.

### Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February

10.30am Holy Communion Service Christ Church, Bradford on Avon. Led by Revd. Bernard Hughes.

### Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> March

10.00am Benefice Service with Holy Communion, St Peter's Church, Monkton Farleigh. Led by Revd. Katie Jackson.

### Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> March

10.00am Mothering Sunday Refresh Service, St Nicholas Church Hall, Winsley. Led by Zoe Yeomans and Alison Wells.

10.00am Holy Communion Service, St James' Church, South Wraxall jointly with St Peter's Church, Monkton Farleigh. Led by Revd. Katie Jackson.

10.30am Holy Communion Service, Christ Church, Bradford on Avon. Led by Revd. Tessa Mann.

## Social Events

12.00pm 1st March Soup's Up – a friendly soup and dessert lunch. St Nicholas Church Hall.

10.00am 6th March Kettle's on – a friendly café style morning. St Nicholas Church Hall.

### Saturday Afternoon Music Concerts at St Nicholas Church



3pm 16th March Serenata Guitar Trio "The Return Concert"

3pm 27th April The Chords Welsh choir

3pm 11th May Monkton School Community Choir and soloists

**All events support the work of St Nicholas Church**

### NewsLink

The next edition of NewsLink will be on **Sunday 10th March 2024**. Please email any relevant contributions to the Benefice Office at [nboabenefice@gmail.com](mailto:nboabenefice@gmail.com) by **9.30am Tuesday 5th March 2024**. You can read the full version on our website at [www.nboachurches.co.uk](http://www.nboachurches.co.uk)

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### Church Wardens:

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**Christ Church:** Hilary and Stephen Pike (782537)

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**Monkton Farleigh:** Rachel and Colin Exley: (851485)

### Lay Pastoral Assistants:

Stephen Pike (782537), Denise Davies (863678)  
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### Children's and Families Worker:

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## Serenata Guitar Trio

John Mills - Wendy Partridge - Cobie Smit



*"Serenata - The Return Concert"*

St. Nicholas' Church, Winsley BA15 2HN

Saturday 16th March, 2024 at 3 p.m.

Serenata return to present a new selection of pieces from:  
Austria, France, Italy, Paraguay, Spain and the USA  
(Works by Haydn, Nardini, Albeniz, etc)

Admission £10 at the door (cash preferred)  
Proceeds will be shared between St. Nicholas' Church & Serenata

*(Refreshments available following the performance)*

John Mills is a former student of John Williams, Julian Bream and Andres Segovia -  
Wendy Partridge attended the Royal Academy of Music, London and also studied with  
Julian Bream - Cobie Smit studied at the Rotterdam Conservatorium and the  
Royal Conservatorium of the Hague, Holland.

### Save the Date!

**St Peter's Church, Monkton Farleigh, in  
100 Objects—your church explained.**

**13th and 14th July 2024**

Pay a visit to our beautiful church over this weekend and learn more about its history, its Norman door and font, its 13th century square tower and the work undertaken in the 1800s to restore the church.

**A note from The Benefice Office**

### Plant pots needed please!



Desperately in need of plant pots please - especially the 9cm (ish!) square ones though others welcome too. All for the Christ Church plant stall - proceeds to the kitchen and toilets etc project. We usually raise over £1000 each year so lots needed!!!

**Please drop off at 13 Newtown, BoA**

**Many thanks, Gillian**

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UPCOMING DATES FOR

# CONVERSATION & CRAFT CAFE

Christ Church  
Bradford-on-Avon

Wednesday 6th March & Wednesday 24th April

1:15pm - 2:45pm

Join us for refreshments, crafts and conversation  
An opportunity for young and old to come together

**FREE TO ATTEND - ALL WELCOME!**

With grateful thanks to our funders

Heritage Fund, Christchurch PCC, ChurchCare, BRADFORD ON AVON TOWN COUNCIL, Community Donations, The Pilgrim Trust, Bradford-on-Avon Preservation Trust

### St Nicholas Church Hall Roof Appeal

The Church Hall is conveniently placed next door to the church. It has stood for many years and witnessed a variety of activities. For the past few months, a 'Homemade and More' stall has been available in the hall as we enjoy coffee, after the Morning Service. The purpose, to raise money for the repairs that are desperately needed.

This has been a start to raise £ 20,000 to replace the leaking roof. It will take an enormous number of cakes and pots of Marmalade to reach our target!

Please can you help? We hope to put on some events, but we would also welcome donations. Please speak in confidence with our treasurer by email: [winsleypcctreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:winsleypcctreasurer@gmail.com) for ways to donate.

The Hall has a well-equipped kitchen which enables our regular cafe events, Kettle's On and Soup's Up. The building also hosts the Sunbeams (Toddlers) an Art Group and other occasional events as well as being available for hire. We are very keen to replace the roof so the Hall can continue to be a place of gathering for the community for many years to come.

**Thank you!  
Heather Hawkings**

# Children & Families News

**Zoe Yeomans, children and families worker**

## Lego Church

Love was the theme of Lego Church this year as Valentine's Day was fast approaching. We made models of the things we loved and with people we loved. Again Lego Church was popular and a lovely afternoon was had building models and friendships, enjoying refreshments and finding out a bit more about how we can love each other in different ways. We loved the created mega block hearts too! Huge thanks to everyone involved and to everyone who came.



Shrove Tuesday fell in half term this year and the pancakes and fun session at Christ Church certainly marked the occasion. The team sizzled and flipped over 130 pancakes and much fun was had practising flipping pretend ones on a ping pong bat! It was nice to see both familiar faces and many new families come along during the busy couple of hours. It was such a team effort and huge thanks to everyone involved and everyone who came along.



*Teddy bear (or other soft toy) zip wire ride*



## Teddy Zip Wire

Come and join us at



The Ark Indoor Teddy Zip wire\* & Coffee Morning

supporting

The Future for Christ Church Project.



Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> February 10-11:30am during the Ark.

Everyone welcome!

Bring your cuddlies!



Toys available for children to play with. Donations of cakes and bakes welcomed or just come along to enjoy the morning. \*Suggested donations for teddy zip wire £3 a go. Donations via cash or card (via QR code) welcomed. All proceeds to The Future for Christ Church Project.

This lovely Altar cloth stitched by the children at Christ Church school during Experience Church. With many thanks to Hilary F and team for putting it together.



The Ark is on **Thursdays at 10.00am to 11.30am in Christ Church** and will continue every Thursday morning during school term time. Come along with your little ones for a fun time with toys, story, songs, craft and snacks to finish!

**Sunbeams, St Nicholas Church hall,  
Winsley 10.30am—11.30am  
28th February**