

NewsLink

9 May— 22 May 2021



Churches of North
Bradford on Avon
& Villages

Dear friends,

Thy Kingdom Come, the global prayer movement, takes place 13th-23rd May this year, and new resources are being added all the time.



National resources include the '*Thy Kingdom Come Prayer Journal*' and '*Novena – Praying the psalms*'.

New resources for 2021 include reflections for young people, resources created in collaboration with the Cheeky Pandas, an updated Prayer Adventure Map, the new '*We Seek Your Kingdom*' hymn and more!

A Diocesan '*Thy Kingdom Come*' Wave of Prayer, 22nd-23rd May, is a proposal for a simple campaign to create a wave of prayer across the Diocese on social media during Pentecost, from Saturday to Sunday evening, ending with the '*Church Leaders Prayers for Pentecost*' on the Sunday evening.

Our churches are encouraged to post livestreams, prayers, songs and other *Thy Kingdom Come* activities on social media under this united hashtag identifying it as a Diocesan wave of prayer:

#dosaltkc2021

Engagement will be created through social media posts including short videos to encourage churches and individuals to join in.

National resources, including the hymn are downloaded from here. There are also 100,000 hard copies of the prayer journals being given away too:

<https://www.thykingdomcome.global/prayer-resources>

If you have prayers or songs or *Thy Kingdom Come* activities you would like to share, do upload them or send them to the office to upload for you.

Here are the lyrics to the hymn, to the Tune of *Eventide*, that we usually use for *Abide with Me*

We Seek Your Kingdom (Lyrics)

NOEL ROBINSON, ANDY FLANNAGAN, & GRAHAM HUNTER

We seek your kingdom throughout every sphere.

We long for heaven's demonstration here. Jesus, your light shine bright for all to see. Transform, revive, and heal society.

Before all things, in him were all things made. Inspiring culture, media, and trade. May all our work serve your economy. Transform, revive, and heal society.

Peace, truth, and justice reigning everywhere. With us be present in our public square. Fill all who lead with your integrity. Transform, revive, and heal society.

Forgive us Lord when we have not engaged. Failing to scribe your heart on history's page. Make us again what we were made to be. Transform, revive, and heal society.

Faithful to govern ever may we be. Selfless in service, loving constantly. In everything may your authority, Transform, revive, and heal society.

Have a very blessed week,
Ann, Rector

Funeral

Colin Dobson : Tuesday 25th May at 12 noon at St Peter's Church, Monkton Farleigh followed by Cremation at Semington Crematorium at 1.45pm. Conducted by Paul and Ann

Due to Covid restrictions, attendance at the church service is by invitation only.

However, you are welcome to come with a garden chair and sit outside in the churchyard.

It is very much hoped that there will be a PA system to enable people sitting outside to hear the service.

Upcoming Services and Events.

We are delighted to be able to rotate services around the Benefice, for people from each local community to attend. However, numbers are limited as social distancing must be observed, and so it is necessary to book a place and face coverings must be worn. **In order to book to attend services please contact the following people from your Parish. When joint services are held, please contact your usual Parish person.**

St Peter's, Monkton Farleigh:
Rachel Exley: 01225 851485

St Nicholas, Winsley:
Roy Ludlow 01225 868779

St James, South Wraxall: **David Wyper 01225 865384** or **Valentine Thornhill 01225 862552**

Christ Church:
Stephen and Hilary Pike 01225 782537

May 16th

10.00 am at St Nicholas, for Winsley

May 23rd (Pentecost)

10.00 am at St Peter's, for Monkton Farleigh, their celebration re-opening service.

10.30 am at Christ Church for CC and W (book via your usual contact)

May 30th

10am St Nicholas (for Winsley)

10am St James, South Wraxall (SW and MF)

June and July dates are later in this edition.

Monday Christian Meditation Group

Continues to meet weekly at St Nicholas on Mondays, convening from 4.20 pm and in silence 4.30—5pm.
Booking not required but face coverings must be worn. More information available from Paul Batson 720069.

PARKING IN THE

MOUNT PLEASANT CENTRE

We are very grateful to Derek Robins for the arrangements that have been made for those attending services at Christ Church to park at the Mount Pleasant centre, but he has asked us to remind you that you must register your car number in the centre on arrival.

More importantly he writes,

'Parishioners, who come to Christ Church in their cars and park in the Mount Pleasant Car Park, are reminded that should they park alongside the building at the front, they should park as close to the outside wall as possible.

This will mean that you do not block the cars belonging to residents who park next to the building, which has been arranged for them. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter'.

ST. NICHOLAS CHURCHYARD

'SPRING CLEAR-UP'

SATURDAY 15 MAY: 10.00 - 12.00

It is now some 14 months since we last gave the Churchyard & Church Hall Car Park area the once over - and it could certainly do with some attention. So, if you could spare an hour or two on the morning of 15 May it would be greatly appreciated.



Even better if you could bring with you the odd wheelbarrow, rake, pruners, etc.

Hopefully, mid-morning refreshment (alfresco), appropriate to the weather, will be available!

Many thanks. *Bob Williams*

In the later pages of this week's Newslink you will find

- Pictures of the plant sale in aid of Christ Church Community Project
- A plea for help with fundraising for St Nicholas Church
- Dates of services in June and July

You can read the full version and more details of future services and other resources on the website www.nboachurches.co.uk. If you require a hard copy please leave a message at the Benefice office on 01225 865046

Message from the Rector

Church Services in June and July

Many thanks to our ministers who have offered their availability to take services during June and July. Our church leaders have agreed that they can manage the arrangements for booking people in and social distancing. However, we await final government rules on numbers and social distancing restrictions so we may be able to accommodate many more people at our services in these months, and months to come. We will keep you updated in NewsLink and on the website.

Some more good news is that we anticipate that our bell-ringers can ring for us at Christ Church from 23rd May!

Sunday June 6 Joint Service for the Benefice at Christ Church 10.30

Sunday June 13 Winsley, Monkton Farleigh/South Wraxall. Christ Church

Sunday June 20 Christ Church/Winsley and South Wraxall/Monkton Farleigh

Sunday June 27 Winsley, Monkton Farleigh/South Wraxall

Sunday July 4 Winsley, Monkton Farleigh/South Wraxall

Sunday July 11 Joint Service at Christ Church 10.30 (all churches)

Sunday July 18 Christ Church/Winsley and Monkton Farleigh/South Wraxall

Sunday July 25 Winsley, South Wraxall/Monkton Farleigh, Christ Church

Note: All services at Christ Church start at 10.30 am

All services at Monkton Farleigh, South Wraxall and Winsley start at 10.00 am

Cartoon by Dave Walker from The Church Times



Christ Church Plant Stall thank you 😊 !

Despite the best efforts of the wind and rain on Monday, a very fine total of just over £800 was raised for the Future for Christ Church Community Project.



We have some stock left so probably a little more to come from future impromptu 'farm gate' sales.

Very many thanks to all who bought and brought plants and Dorna for her help on the stall.

Gillian and Ted King

[Live Streaming Services](#)

Salisbury Cathedral is continuing to offer a range of streamed services for those who can't make it to the building to worship in person, including their daily reflections during the week.

You can keep up to date with their digital weekly schemes of music [here](#) and tune into services online [here](#). The links are also on the resources section of the Benefice website.

Help wanted with fund-raising for St Nicholas Church

Two PCC Members, Dreen Rees and Penny Pierce have agreed to take on responsibility for fund-raising for St Nicholas Church and would love others to support them and be involved.

Do get in touch with them if you would like to help.

Our churches remain open for private prayer as follows, so do call in when passing:

St Peter's, Monkton Farleigh 10 am—5pm daily

St Nicholas, Winsley 10 am—6pm daily (except Mondays 4.15pm).

Christ Church, BOA 10am—4pm daily

St James, Sth Wraxall 10 am—4pm daily.

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Christ Church: vacant, Contact Rev Ann Keating
South Wraxall: Dave Wyper (865384) Valentine Thornhill (862552)
Monkton Farleigh: Vacant. Contact Rachel Exley PCC Secretary (851485)

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Do check the website as resources are added regularly and check Instagram and Facebook for all our latest news.