

Local abbreviations

Br : Broomfield CF : Cheddon Fitzpaine
KSM: Kingston St Mary WM: West Monkton
Trad HC: Communion from Book of Common Prayer
HC: Holy Communion Ch.Ev: Choral Evensong
Morn. Wsp: Morning Worship;
Eve Wsp: Evening Worship

DATE	Br	CF	KSM	WM
11 th Oct			8.30am BCP HC 11.30am Harvest service	10.00am HC
18 th Oct	11.00am HC	6.00pm Prayer & Reflection	9.30am HC	8.30am BCP HC 10.00am Morn.Wsp
25 th Oct			8.30am BCP HC 6.00pm Ch.Ev	10.00am HC
1 st Nov	4.00pm Evening Worship	11.00am HC	9.30am HC 9.30am Sunday School	8.30am BCP HC 10.00am Morn.Wsp
8 th Nov	10am Short Act of Rememb- -rance	10.50 Remembr- ance Day Service	8.30am BCP HC 10.50 Rememb- -rance Day Service	10.50 Rememb- -rance Day Service
Tuesday 9.00am morning prayer on Zoom. Contact the office for the link if you'd like to join in				
Wednesdays: Bible study group in the Benefice Office 7pm. Contact the benefice office for details				
Morning Prayer in Kingston church: Normally Rev Jim Cox will say Morn Prayer in Kingston church on Mon – Weds at 8.00am do come and join him if you wish.				

Parish ministry team

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OUR MISSION STATEMENT:

“To know, share and spread the love of God”

Welcome

19th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY 11th October 2026

Collect for 19th Sunday after Trinity

Faithful Lord, whose steadfast love never ceases and whose mercies never come to an end: grant us the grace to trust you and to receive the gifts of your love, new every morning, in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Readings: Philippians 4: 1-9 ;
Matthew 22: 1-14
Isaiah 25: 1-9 (WM)

For your prayers:

Peter Wright, Philippa, Tom Baker, Bob Pettitt, Marion Baker, Barbara Hastilow, Ray Cleave, Andy, Sandy Adams.

If you know of someone who wishes us to pray for them, please obtain their permission before you contact the Office

Those who have died and those who mourn them:

Brian Adams ashes West Monkton 13th Oct
Lei Ping Mo – West Monkton - tba

Receiving Communion: All who are baptised are welcome to receive bread & wine in our churches.

If you want to receive bread intincted in the chalice come to the LEFT half of the altar rail and to drink from the common cup to the RIGHT.

(a collection for the work of the church may be taken during the service)

PRAYERS:

Please pray for the events taking place across the Benefice, that we make Christ known in all we do and in all our conversations.

Readings 18th Oct: 20th Sunday after Trinity

1 Thessalonians 1: 1-10 ; Matthew 22: 15-22
Isaiah 45: 1-7 (WM)

Oct

12th Cheddon PCC 7pm

14th 10-11.30am Meditation Group

14th 10am KSM Safeguarding training in the office

19th 7pm Men's Group in Cheddon Memorial Hall

19th 7pm Deanery Synod members – Bishop Fiona at
The Minster, Taunton.

21st 10-11.30am Meditation Group

23rd 7pm Michael Brown talk in KSM village hall

24th 7pm WM church 'Brass with a glass' £12

28th 3pm Friends of KSM meeting in the office

Nov

2nd 10.00am Churchwardens meeting in the office

2nd 6.00pm All Souls service in WM church

6th 2pm Remembrance in Somerset Wood by the
WW1 commemorative stone

7th 10am WM church Coffee & more 'Windsor –
everything but Andrew' speaker David Cronshaw

12th 10am Home Communion team at Julia's

15th 6pm Deanery Evening Reflection at Cheddon

16th 7.30pm KSM PCC Meeting in the office

Babies & Toddlers Walking Group – Kingston

Tuesdays 1.30pm – 3pm. Meet by the oak tree at the
bottom of Church Lane. Includes coffee & chat.

Mon 19th Oct 7.00pm. Men's Group – in Cheddon
Memorial Hall – the Ron Burnett Room. Talk by Major
General (retired) Richard Spencer. *"A soldier's eye
view: Operations, the Gurkhas and defence acquisition
– with a look at where global conflict goes next"* Bring
your own drinks / snacks

Fri 23rd KSM Village Hall – Talk by Michael Brown
'Walking the Camino de Santiago' in aid of Ripple
Effect our Benefice charity. Tickets £10 from Rosalie:
rosaliehughes@hotmail.co.uk

Sat 24th WM 7pm Brass with a Glass Wiveliscombe
brass band. Tickets £12 incl a drink. U18's free. See
West Monkton website for details & to book tickets
[Buy tickets – Brass with a Glass – St Augustine's Church,
West Monkton](#)

Matthew 22: 1-14

Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables,
saying: ² 'The kingdom of heaven may be
compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet
for his son. ³ He sent his slaves to call those who
had been invited to the wedding banquet, but
they would not come. ⁴ Again he sent other slaves,
saying, "Tell those who have been invited: Look,
I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat
calves have been slaughtered, and everything is
ready; come to the wedding banquet."

⁵ But they made light of it and went away, one to
his farm, another to his business, ⁶ while the rest
seized his slaves, maltreated them, and killed
them. ⁷ The king was enraged. He sent his troops,
destroyed those murderers, and burned their
city. ⁸ Then he said to his slaves, "The wedding is
ready, but those invited were not worthy. ⁹ Go
therefore into the main streets, and invite
everyone you find to the wedding banquet."
¹⁰ Those slaves went out into the streets and
gathered all whom they found, both good and
bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.
¹¹ 'But when the king came in to see the guests,
he noticed a man there who was not wearing a
wedding robe, ¹² and he said to him, "Friend,
how did you get in here without a wedding
robe?" And he was speechless. ¹³ Then the king
said to the attendants, "Bind him hand and foot,
and throw him into the outer darkness, where
there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."
¹⁴ For many are called, but few are chosen.'

Reflection on Matthew 22: 1-14

The question of who will enter the Kingdom of
God is addressed in this parable. A great
wedding feast is prepared and a select few
invited. When these refuse or fail to turn up, the
invitation is then extended to all around. The
gospel invitation is first offered to people of
faith. When they fail to respond or reject the
invitation, it is then thrown open to the those
outside. Yet this invitation is not unconditional.
Just as the wedding guests must dress in an
appropriate way for the feast, so repentance and
faith are needed to enter the Kingdom of God.

Ruth Cook

Meditation Group: Wednesdays 10.00am – 11.30am

This group is open to all. Please feel free to come
along. There will be a variety of different styles to
try each week. Contact the office for address etc :
Tel 451257: office@southquantockbenefice.org.uk

United Benefice All Souls Service:

West Monkton church -

Monday 2nd Nov at 6.00pm

A wonderful opportunity to remember those
we have loved and lost. A quiet service of
reflection, to light a candle and write a
prayer card for the memory tree.

Everyone is welcome.