

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 ES: Choral Evensong

Morn. Wsp: Morning Worship;

Eve Wsp: Evening Worship

DATE	Br	CF	KSM	WM
26 th Oct			8.30am Trad HC 6.00pm Choral Esong	10.00am HC
2 nd Nov	NO Service	11am HC	9.30am HC 4pm All Souls Service	8.30am BCP HC 10.00am Morn.Wsp
9 th Nov	10.00am Short Act of Remem- brance	10.50am Remem- brance service	8.30am Trad HC 10.50am Remem- brance service	10.50am Remem- brance service
16 th Nov	11am HC	6.00pm Reflection & Prayer	9.30am HC	8.30am BCP HC 10.00am Morn.Wsp
23 rd Nov			8.30am Trad HC 6.00pm Choral Esng	10.00am HC
30 th Nov			10.00am United Benefice HC	8.30am BCP HC

Tuesday 8.30am morning prayer on Zoom. Contact the office for the link if you'd like to join in

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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For weddings, banns of marriage, baptisms and funerals please contact the benefice office.



OUR MISSION STATEMENT:

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

Welcome

Bible Sunday
26th October 2025

Collect for Bible Sunday

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: help us so to hear them, to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word, we may embrace and for ever hold fast the hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Readings: Isaiah 45: 22-25 Luke 4: 16-24

WM optional: Romans 15: 1-6

Readings E.song: 1 Kgs 22:9-17; Romans 15:4-13

For your prayers:

Yvonne Franklin, Carol Carter, Charlie Way, Barbara Hastilow, Andy, Philippa, Bob Pettitt, Sandy & Brian Adams, Ray Cleave,
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:

Christine Brown – Sedgemoor Crem 3rd Nov 11am

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)

Readings 2nd Nov – All Saints Day

Daniel 7: 1-3 and 15-18: Luke 6: 20-31

WM optional: Ephesians 1: 11-13

Oct

28th 10.00am Wardens meeting in Benefice Office

28th 2.00pm Cheddon PCC at 30 Waterleaze

NOV

1st 10am Coffee & more – West Monkton

2nd 4.00pm All Souls service in Kingston

5th 10.30 -12noon Meditation Group at Tricia's

7th 2.00pm Remembrance in Somerset Wood

9th Remembrance Sunday services

12th 10.30 -12noon Meditation Group at Tricia's

15th 10.00am Broomfield Coffee morning

17th 12 – 2pm Mens Group – Bowls – Vivary Park

Please book via the Benefice Office

19th 10.30 -12noon Meditation Group at Tricia's

24th 7.00pm West Monkton PCC at the BACH

26th 10.30 -12noon Meditation Group at Tricia's

28th 7.00pm Josephine Cresswell & Stephanie Berner present 'A Classical Christmas' in WM church. Tickets £12 in advance Ticket Source or £15 on the door.

29th 2.30-4pm Children's Christmas Activities in Kingston Village Hall

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Nov 1st West Monkton Coffee & More - Local MP Gideon Amos joins us to talk about life at Westminster. Suggested donation £3

All Souls Service
Sunday 2nd Nov at 4.00pm
in Kingston St Mary church:

an opportunity to remember loved ones who have died. Everyone welcome.

Meditation Group: NEW: 4 weeks from:

Weds 5th Nov - 10.30 – 12noon at Tricia's.

Contact Michele at the Benefice office for location & to sign up. 5th, 12th, 19th & 26th November. Anyone welcome to come along.

9th Nov - Remembrance Sunday Services:

10am Broomfield – Short Act of Remembrance

10.50am Cheddon – Remembrance Service

10.50am Kingston – Remembrance Service

10.50am West Monkton – Remembrance Service

Childrens Christmas Craft Event 29th November:
2.30pm – 4pm in Kingston Village Hall. HELP!

We will be running some Christmas Craft activities again this year and are seeking willing helpers for this. If you can help in any way please contact the Benefice Office 01823 451257 or email.

NEW Book Review from Rev Jim on our website:

Joan Taylor: Boy Jesus

<https://southquantockbenefice.org.uk/book-reviews/>

Reading: Luke 4: 16-24

¹⁶ When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, ¹⁷ and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

¹⁸ 'The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, ¹⁹ to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour.'

²⁰ And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. ²¹ Then he began to say to them, 'Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.' ²² All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, 'Is not this Joseph's son?' ²³ He said to them, 'Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, "Doctor, cure yourself!" And you will say, "Do here also in your home town the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum."'" ²⁴ And he said, 'Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet's home town.

Reflection on Luke 4: 16-24

As far as the text of this reading goes, we see the congregation in an approving mood as they proudly heard one of their own read familiar words from the Bible. 'Isn't this Joseph's son, doesn't he read well, so graciously'. However, their mood turned quickly to angry opposition when they began to realise that the words Jesus spoke were not comfortingly familiar, reassuring them that all was well for them, but that they were hearing the living word of God, in real time "today" and challenging. On this Bible Sunday we might be reminded of what a privileged and significant thing it is to publicly read, hear and importantly *receive* the living word of God in church.

Peter Wright

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.