

Sun 30th Dec 1st Sunday of Christmas

10.00am Holy Communion

Mon 31st Dec

8.00pm New year's Eve get together in church

Tues 1st January

No Morning Prayer

Weds 2nd January

10.00am Holy Communion + coffee

11.30am St Benedict's Café

1.30 -3pm Tots and toddlers

Thurs 3rd January

8.30am Morning prayer

2 – 3.30 pm Craft & Coffee

7.30pm Said Eucharist

Fri 4th January

Sat 5th January

Sun 6th January Epiphany

8.00am Said Eucharist

10.00am Holy Communion

11.30am Thirty Minute Church

6.30pm service of prayer for strength & Healing- "Epiphany gifts

St Benedict's Parish News

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30th December 2018

1st Sunday of Christmas

A warm welcome to our services at St Benedict's from the Ministry team, church officers and the entire congregation, especially if this is your first time with us. Please do join us if you can, for a coffee or tea and biscuits following the main Sunday morning service.

A Timeless Message

As we end one year and approach a new year with what will be for many a mixture of relief and trepidation it seems good to be reminded of words which were quoted by our Queen's father, King George V1 at the end of his 1939 Christmas broadcast.

"I said to the man who stood at the gate of the year, 'Give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown'. And he replied, 'Go out into the darkness, and put your hand into the hand of God. That shall be better to you, better than light, and safer than a known way.'" (Minnie Louise Haskins).

The king ended his broadcast *"May that Almighty Hand guide and uphold us all"*. He was strengthened by his Christian faith throughout his short reign, just as his daughter has been throughout her long one. And as we may be throughout our lives, whatever the future brings. **Anne**

Rotas: 30th Dec 1st Sun of Christmas

Sides people: Annette Bashford, Jill Enstone

Readers: Julie Creasey, Richard Davies

Intercessions: Norman Critchlow

Offertory: Ola Arowola, Keith Hellewell

Chalice: Mary Roach, Enamarie Olasope

Counting: Marion Angus, Keith Mesdag

Coffee: Bill & Hazel Christie

Servers: Janet Selling, Julie Creasey

Jnr church: No Junior Church

Church Cleaning: Trish & Onyi

6th January Epiphany

Fiona Murphy, Nigel Evans

Chris Newton, Rosemary Morgan

Brenda Clarke

Geoffrey Brown, Joy Brown

Keith Hellewell, Chris Newton

Geoffrey Brown, Richard Warr

Eileen Daley, Julie Creasey

Paula Swain, Ken Fitzhugh

Thirty Minute Church

Jill & Annette



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Weds 16th Jan PCC meeting

Sat 19th Jan 8.00am Prayer breakfast- Abbey centre - Week of Christian Unity

Sat 19th 1-4pm Alpha course

Sun 20th Jan 10.00am SNPC shared worship at St Bens

Sat 26th Jan 4pm Prayer Tea at St Benedicts

Weds 30th Jan 7.30-9.30pm Alpha course

Weds 6th Feb Alpha course

Mon 11th Feb SNPC meeting

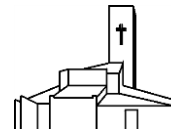
Weds 13th Feb Alpha course

Weds 20th Feb Alpha course

Weds 27th Feb Alpha course

Sat 16th Mar 9.30-4pm Bishop's Bible Day

Sun 27th April 11.30am APCM



Our mission is to encourage the people of the parish to worship God in a loving, caring environment and help them to find faith and fulfilment in Jesus