

**Sun 12<sup>th</sup> Nov Remembrance Sunday**  
 Service of Remembrance 10am with 2 minutes  
 silence at 11am  
 11.30 am Thirty minute church  
**Mon 13<sup>th</sup> Nov**  
 7.30pm Bell ringing practise  
**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> Nov**  
 8.30am Said morning prayer  
 4.30-7.30pm Rainbows, Brownies & Guides  
 7.30 Bible Study group  
 7.45pm Home group

**Weds 15<sup>th</sup> Nov**  
 10.00am Communion & coffee  
 1.30-3.00pm Tots and Toddlers Time  
**Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> Nov**  
 8.30 am Morning Prayer St Benedict's  
 2-3.30pm Craft & Coffee  
 7.30pm Said Eucharist  
**Fri 17<sup>th</sup> Nov**  
**Sat 18<sup>th</sup> Nov**  
**Sun 19<sup>th</sup> Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday B4 Advent**  
 10.00am Holy Communion  
 12.00 Home Alone Lunch  
 2.30pm Baptism of Opie-Jackson Bobby  
 Parry

# St Benedict's Parish News

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**12<sup>th</sup> Nov 2017**

**Remembrance Sunday**

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.

## Rotas: 12<sup>th</sup> Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday B4 Advent

**Sides people :** Nigel Evans, Norman Critchlow  
**Readers:** Keith Mesdag  
**Intercessions:** Chris Newton  
**Offertory:** Geoff & Brenda Clarke  
**Chalice:** Mary Roach, Lesley Flood,  
**Counting:** Richard Warr, Chris Newton  
**Coffee:** Charlotte Vickers, Guides  
**Servers:** Ken Fitzhugh, Paula Swain  
**Jnr church:** 30 Minute Church  
**Church Cleaning:** Jill, Annette

## 19<sup>th</sup> Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday B4 Advent

Richard & Linda Warr  
 Liz Hodges, David Hill  
 Mary Roach  
 Phil & Mary Laraman  
 Catherine Galvin, Mary Roach  
 Marion Angus, Keith Dunkley  
 Bill & Hazel Christie  
 Julie Creasey, Nigel Evans  
 Rev Anne, Leslie  
 Mary, Chris

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Tues Nov 21<sup>st</sup> 7.30pm Theological society. Abbey Centre  
 Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec 8am Prayer breakfast at TRMC  
 Weds 6<sup>th</sup> Dec 7.30pm PCC  
 Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec 2pm Christmas Fayre  
 Sun 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec 6pm Advent reflection & carols  
 Sun 10<sup>th</sup> Dec 2pm Community carol Concert by Rotary  
 Sun 17<sup>th</sup> Dec 6pm Carols by candlelight  
 Mon 18<sup>th</sup> Dec 6-7pm Carol singing at Tesco refreshments @st Bens  
 Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> Dec 5.30-7pm Christingle making  
 Sun Dec 24<sup>th</sup> 4pm & 5.30pm Christingle services  
 Sun 7<sup>th</sup> Jan 6.30pm prayer & healing  
 Sat 13<sup>th</sup> Jan 12noon Safeguarding course  
 Sun 28<sup>th</sup> Jan SNPC service at St Benedict's  
 Sun Feb 4<sup>th</sup> 10.00am Confirmation service  
 Sun 4<sup>th</sup> Feb Evening Youth Service  
 Weds 14<sup>th</sup> Feb Ash Wednesday  
 Tues 20<sup>th</sup> Feb Lent course TRMC  
 Thurs 1<sup>st</sup> Mar Lent course St Benedict's  
 Weds 7<sup>th</sup> March Lent course Sts F & T  
 Thurs 15<sup>th</sup> Mar Lent course TRMC  
 Weds 21<sup>st</sup> Mar Lent course Abbey centre  
 Sat12/ Sun 13<sup>th</sup> May Flower Festival

## Making Whole

This weekend we remember those who have died in the conflicts of the past century, the two great wars primarily but other conflicts too, perhaps most poignantly the conflicts that have marred the hopes for this new Millennium. Walking in the Peak District recently, and taking a detour to look at a regimental memorial placed there after the First World War, I was very moved to find that fatalities from more recent conflicts had been added, amongst them a young man of 20 whose funeral I had taken in 2010. And of course, in his case, remembering became very personal, I had also baptised his nephews and conducted the wedding of his brother. But remembering is more than that; more than personal or collective memory. Remembering in the Biblical sense is bringing the past into the present so that it might live again. In English it is quite literally "Re-remembering" bringing the scattered limbs together to make whole. Remembering should be about healing but we often fail to understand that and it becomes instead a tool for perpetuating hate and grievance. May we so remember the past that we make space for God to make whole. **Anne**

**We warmly welcome our uniformed organisations to our Remembrance Sunday Service at 10am today**

**Carol Service** This year's carol service will be on Sunday December 17<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm. We are looking for singers to form a four part choir - if you can join in with this there are copies of the carol the choir will be singing with dates of rehearsals at the back of church.

**Please pray for Rev Anne and Lesley as they go to the Clergy and Lay Ministers conference this week.**



*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*