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Parish News

Beeston Parish Church

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From the registers

Baptisms

15 January Eleanor Alice Groves



Weddings

21 January



Christopher John Marsden
Abbey Samantha Bamford

Rest in Peace



Ken Plimmer
Kathleen Juanita Andrews

Please remember all of them in your prayers

How many editors does it take to change a lightbulb...

“But if you change the lightbulb, you have to change everything!”

Hopefully I have managed to avoid the stereotypical habit of editors! However, there are a few small changes here and there that avid fans of the *Parish News* might notice.



As you will know from the previous issue of *Parish News*, Phil Sherratt stepped down as Editor, handing the reins over to me. I would like to thank Phil for all his help – he has put up with a lot of pestering about what ‘usually’ happens and kindly handed over the ‘archives’ of previous editions so I could copy the format.

Many thanks are also due to all of you have helped put this issue together, from Kathryn in the church office who prints it all, everyone who has contributed ideas or features. A special mention goes to Sheila Allton, who prepares the wordsearch and *Sounds Familiar?* as well as all Mothers’ Union information.

Ultimately, it is the *Parish News*, for the parish, so it’s up to you what goes in and how often we produce the magazine. If you have any comments or suggestions, or would like to contribute (either regularly or as a one-off), please don’t hesitate to get in touch with me. I’d particularly like to feature some interviews with church ‘regulars’ – there are lots of people who are familiar faces to everyone but who we perhaps don’t always have as much time to chat to over coffee as we’d like. I’d also love to hear about things people are doing outside Sunday morning at church. That might be volunteer work, being a Christian parent, grandparent or godparent, being a Christian office-worker, or a combination of all of those. Please get in touch if you’d like to send something in, or would like a chat about it.

For the time being, we are sticking with the schedule of producing a magazine every two months. The next edition will be out in April – so expect me to be in touch again soon!

Best wishes,
Sheenagh

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Christmas Tree Festival



A belated Happy New Year to you, once again a huge thank you to everyone who helped to make the Tree Festival such a success.



The Church (hope you all agree) looked lovely and we had some encouraging comments from our many visitors. From the time I opened the Church doors until well after closing time we had visitors all the time.



The Sunday Evening Carol Service was very well attended and the music and singing was lovely, the evening rounded off with tea and biscuits.

To all the Friends and Church Groups who sponsored and decorated a tree thank you for your support.

The Festival made a profit of £1002.13.

There are too many special thank yous to include and I am sure to miss someone, so will just say love and grateful thanks to you all.

Thank you
Brenda Smith



Church memories...

Floss Abbott shares a story from the 10am Eucharist Service on the Sunday after the reordering of the church

Recently, Father Wayne reminded us, the congregation, of our own joy and surprise as we entered the church for the first communion service following the reordering of the church. The church was lighter and appeared to be longer. It was beautiful – we had become accustomed to the pews and poor lighting.

During the prayer of consecration I was looking at the altar. A shaft of sunlight descended on to the Host and Chalice. I felt that the Trinity was rejoicing in our new church and would always remain with us – a totally remarkable experience.

Since that memorable time, I feel that the congregation has increased and includes a wide range of ages.

Many thanks to all the clergy, and especially Father Wayne.

Women's World Day of Prayer, Friday 3rd March

Am I Being Unfair to You? Praying for the Philippines

On Friday 3rd March, over 5,000 services will be held across the British Isles. The Christian women of the Philippines wrote the service and it has been translated into 1,000 different languages and dialects. Services will take place across the world, starting at sunrise over the island of Samoa and continuing until sunset off the coast of American Samoa.

In 2013, Typhoon Haiyan struck the Philippine islands in the western Pacific Ocean. In the prayer service, you can hear the stories of a girl, a mother and an older woman recounting their situations and their hopes and fears. The service focusses on the Biblical story of the workers in the vineyard: Matthew 20:1-16. There is a reflection on the artwork designed by Rowena 'Apol' Laxamana-Sta.Rosa.

Why not find out more about the theme, the Philippines and the service? The Day of Prayer is not just for women. Everyone is welcome to attend the service. To find out further information, visit the WWDP website: www.wwdp.org.uk

*A Women's World Day of Prayer service will be taking place at **Christ Church Chilwell, NG9 2AS**, at **10.30am on Friday 3rd March**. All are welcome.*

Hello from Jem...

Jem is in training to be a Reader and has recently started preaching at Beeston Parish Church. Here he introduces himself and tells us a bit about preaching for the first time.

Hullo! My name's Jem, and I'm training to be a Reader, based at St. John's Beeston. A number of you may know me from seeing me around the church, but I thought it would be worth introducing myself. I moved up from the South to work at the University of Nottingham a few years ago, and spent a couple of years in Lenton before coming over to Beeston. My wife Sheenagh and I had been advised to find our way to St. John's by some friends. (One told us 'It's an absolutely lovely community', another told us 'Six candles on the high altar, very sound.' Enough said.) The first time we came to a Sunday service, we were scooped up by the choir and taken for a pub lunch, where we all compared tastes in music, and they made us feel very at home. They even waited until we'd had half a pint to ask if we sang and wanted to join a choir... We felt so welcomed by everyone at St. John's, and became a regular part of the church community.

I had been feeling for some time that God was calling me to do something, and with the help of Fr. Wayne and a couple of other clergy, combined with a lot of prayer, I found my way to training as a Reader. The process of applying involved a large number of chats with various officers of the diocese, who were all very encouraging, though they never quite let me know what I was being 'tested' on in any conversation. Whatever it was, I can't have failed too badly, as I ended up at an interview over at Southwell, and was assigned to a training cohort.

My first assignment was to write a theological reflection on either The Lord of the Rings, or The Matrix. That came as something of a surprise: I had rather been expecting to be tested on my knowledge of Mark's Gospel, or to be asked to explain the doctrine of justification by faith. But a large part of a Reader's role is to connect the theology of the Church with the world around us, and this assignment challenged me to do exactly that. I diligently reacquainted myself with the hobbits and their quest, and ended up arguing that The Lord of the Rings is more sacramental in its theology than The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe. (And I'm willing to defend that position in the pub after church on any Sunday...) This essay set the tone for the course: our tutors are always encouraging us to look for God and theological meaning in the world around us, to build bridges between the Church and the culture we live in.

After a term and a half's training, the time came for me to prepare my first sermon. Fr. Wayne asked me what I thought about the Baptism of Christ. I replied it was a holy and paradoxical mystery, which defied explanation in human

language. He gently indicated that human language was the kind we generally used in sermons, so I'd better have a go. I saw his point. With his advice, I studied the Scripture readings, prayed and began to draw out the meanings I could find in the Biblical texts. With fourteen hundred words of sermon assembled on my laptop screen, I tried it out on our kitten Frideswide. She fell asleep, but at least she didn't get up and leave. Or correct me on my interpretation of the Old Testament.



I duly printed out three copies of the sermon. (One for my pocket, one for my jacket, and one for Sheenagh's handbag, in case the others should mysteriously desert me at the crucial moment.) When Sunday came we indulged in a strengthening sausage sandwich at Gregg's before arriving at church to find Fr. Rob waiting at the door for me. I thought this was very kind and pastoral of him, to make time to welcome me on the morning of my first sermon. Sheenagh pointed out that if I hadn't turned up, he would probably have to have written a whole sermon in ten minutes, which might also explain his eagerness to see me. Such cynicism in the Church these days.

I don't remember much about the sermon, apart from a number of the congregation smiling encouraging, and me mixing up two halves of a line from the Psalms. But afterwards there were no actual demands afterwards that I should never be allowed to preach again, and several people were very kind about it over coffee. (The general verdict seemed to be: decent beard, and quite sound on the book of Genesis, but speak up and don't gabble so.) So, I'll probably be up at the front again before too long, opening the Bible and sharing what I find with you all. The kitten might even stay awake next time, if I'm lucky.

Editor's note:

'Six candles on the high altar' is a reference to a long-running debate about the niceties of church worship within the Anglican Church. It's a long and convoluted argument held over many centuries, but the basic positions are: no candles at all (because they are a distraction and superstitious); two candles (believed by some to be the authentic 'English' custom); six candles (usually sign of a more Anglo-Catholic worship style). At various points it was technically illegal to use candles on the altar at all.

Frideswide is named after an English princess and abbess who lived in seventh-century Oxfordshire. Her sacred well can still be seen in Oxford, though her abbey was dissolved by Henry VIII.

Diocesan news and events

New mid-county resource church for rural communities

A new church is being established by the Diocese of Southwell & Nottingham as part of a strategy to support the growth of the church by planting and grafting new worshipping communities. The new congregation will include people of all ages, though with a distinctive focus on nurturing faith among families, children and young people. It will seek to create a distinctive culture and approach in connecting with people who do not presently engage in the life of the church.

This initiative will be led by the Revd Alison Jones along with her husband Freddie. They will be moving to the diocese in July, ready to begin gathering a core team in the autumn.

Walk Through the Bible, Discover the Old Testament

Walk Through the Bible's fun, interactive and memorable sessions have been inspiring people to take a fresh look at God's Word for over 30 years. On Saturday 25th February Walk Through The Bible is coming to Aslockton and you are invited to come along.

Come and experience the whole sweep of the Old Testament in one day and engage with familiar stories in a way that helps you engage and remember.

Walk through the Bible is excellent for adults and young people over the age of 11 and suitable for people just starting to read the bible, as well as those familiar with scripture.

The day costs per person £14 which includes a take home work book. (Young people aged 11-16 are free of charge when accompanied by an adult).

On Saturday 25th February 2017 at Thomas Cranmer Centre, Aslockton (NG13 9AL) 9.30 for 10am start – 4.00pm Drinks provided, bring your own packed lunch.

Places need to be pre-booked so to call Hilary 0115 9894836, or email hilarytabron@uwclub.net

There will be a day to Walk Through The Bible (New Testament) in May.

(You are welcome to come to one or both days, Old Testament and New Testament)

for more information and updates, visit southwell.anglican.org

Do You Count Your Blessings?

During Lent, the Mothers Union in this diocese will be raising funds for various projects by asking us to count our blessings. We are so lucky to have, for instance, warm homes and clean water as well as 'luxuries' such as radio and television, not to mention holidays. But not everyone is so lucky so each day during Lent we think how we are blessed and put aside an amount of money for MU projects. It is amazing how the amount increases over the 40 days. If you would like to support us there will be leaflets at the back of church. Please take one or ask Sheila Allton.

A national MU project at this time of year is *Make a Mother's Day* which coincides with Mothering Sunday which this year is on March 26th. You are invited to buy an ethical gift for your mother or in memory of your mother. In return you will receive a special card from the Mothers' Union. Again, brochures will be at the back of church.

At our December meeting, members shared their memories of Christmases when they were young and it was particularly interesting to learn about wartime Christmases. In January, we enjoyed a New Year lunch at the White Lion on Middle Street. Chris Warren set us a challenging musical quiz which was won by Jane Swan.

On Thursday February 9th at 2pm for 2.15pm we will have our AGM when we will give thanks for all that we have achieved in the past year. At our next meeting on Thursday March 9th at 2pm for 2.15pm we will welcome Carol Charmbury from Wollaton who will tell us about her recent trip to the Holy Land with EMBRACE (formerly known as Biblelands) to work on one of their projects. Do join us if you would like to learn more.

This year we have welcomed three new members – Diane Tonge and Mary and Gerald Norris so we now have 41 members in the branch

Sheila Allton



THE CALENDAR

Regular weekday services and activities are not included – see back page for details

February to March 2017

4 th February	3–5pm Messy Church
5 th February <i>4th before Lent</i>	8am Said Eucharist 10am Sung Eucharist 6.30pm CW Evening Prayer
7 th February	9.30am ABC2
9 th February	2pm Mother's Union AGM
12 th February <i>3rd before Lent</i>	8am Said Eucharist 10am Sung Eucharist 6.30pm BCP Evening Prayer
14 th February	No ABC2
19 th February <i>2nd before Lent</i>	8am Said Eucharist 10am Sung Eucharist 6.30pm Taizé Service
21 st February	9.30am ABC2
26 th February <i>Sunday next before Lent</i>	8am Said Eucharist 10am Sung Eucharist 6.30pm BCP Evening Prayer
28 th February	9.30am ABC2
1 st March	7.30pm Ash Wednesday Service <i>(Please note incense will be used)</i>

4 th March	Messy Church
5 th March <i>1st of Lent</i>	8am Said Eucharist 10am Sung Eucharist 6.30pm CW Evening Prayer
6 th March	10am for 10.30am Mothers' Union Archdeaconry Day, St Jude's, Mapperley
7 th March	9.30am ABC2
9 th March	2pm Mother's Union meeting: Carol Charmbury – Embracing the Middle East (illustrated)
12 th March <i>2nd of Lent</i>	8am Said Eucharist 10am Sung Eucharist 6.30pm Silent Adoration
14 th March	9.30am ABC2
19 th March <i>3rd of Lent</i>	8am Said Eucharist 10am Sung Eucharist 6.30pm Taizé Service
20 th March	3pm Mothers' Union Lady Day Service, Southwell Minster
21 st March	9.30am ABC2
26 th March <i>Mothering Sunday</i>	8am Said Eucharist 10am Sung Eucharist 6.30pm BCP Evening Prayer
28 th March	9.30am ABC2
1 st April	Messy Church

Faith Confirmed

Before Christmas, Father Wayne and the PCC gave away a copy of *Faith Confirmed* to every member of the congregation. Part of our commitment to 'growing disciples' is to ensure we are growing in our own faith, as well as inviting new disciples to share the good news of Jesus.

As Father Wayne said in his letter accompanying the books:

We simply ask that you take this book away and use it in a way that seems best for you; that you use it as a guide; that don't just let it become another thing to dust ... If you've been coming to church for years, don't assume that there's nothing in these pages for you.

Those of us who have been 'on the road with Jesus' for many years always need reminding about what lies at the heart of the Christian faith.

So... what have you done with your book?

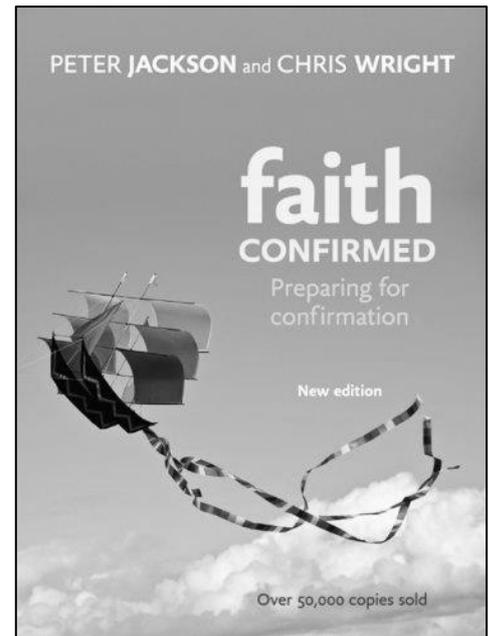
Did you give it to someone, did you learn something new, did something strike you suddenly after years of going to church, did it raise lots of questions?

If you'd like to share your story, please send it to Sheenagh Bloomfield and it can be shared in *Parish News* (your contribution can be anonymous if you would feel more comfortable). If there are lots of questions, we will try to print some answers, or at least guidance for further ways to think about it all.

The first chapter...

The first chapter of *Faith Confirmed* deals with God – How do we know God? What kind of God do we believe in? Do you think God answers prayers? But what about suffering?

After addressing those questions, there are suggestions for further 'thinking it through'. Perhaps we can all find time over the next weeks and months to read a chapter or two and think it through.



The chapter ends with a short prayer, and some further prayer topics. These could be used as prompts for prayer or to help us get back into praying regularly when we find it hard.

Thinking it through

Think about how you came to believe in God. What evidence is there of God's presence in the world?

What do you understand prayer to be? Do you think God answers prayers?

How might James Jones' account [in the first chapter of the book] of the father and his child help you to believe in a loving God in the face of suffering?

For prayer and reflection

*God be in my head and in my understanding
God be in by my eyes and in my looking
God be in my mouth and in my speaking
God be in my heart and in my thinking.
God be at mine end and at my departing.*

Prayer topics

A prayer of thanks for all the good things God has created.

To say sorry for all the times when you have turned away from God and God's will for your life.

To ask God to come into the situation you find yourself in at the moment – to ask for God's help, protection and guidance.

Sounds familiar

Do you realise how many sayings we use today have their origins in the Bible?

An Epiphany: Matthew 2:1-12)

Today an *epiphany* is a sudden understanding of the truth or meaning of something. The word *Epiphany* comes from the Greek *epiphaino* meaning 'to appear' or 'to come to light' and is the name given to the story in Matthew Chapter 2 when the wise men go in search of a new king who has been born.

We celebrate the Epiphany on January 6th each year. The story has a special significance for Christians as it tells when Jesus is welcomed by non-Jews and it is the only Gospel to tell the story. However, in the secular world the day is associated with Twelfth Night, the day Christmas decorations should have been taken down.

Slaughter of the Innocents: Matthew 2:13-18)

As we have just read, Matthew's Gospel tells us of the visit of the wise men and in verses 1–12 we read how they first visited King Herod who asked them to return and tell him where the new-born king was so that he could also worship him. But we know that Herod had different plans and in verses 13–15 we read how an angel told the wise men to return to their homeland by a different route. An angel also told Mary and Joseph to go to Egypt.

When Herod realised that the wise men were not returning to tell him Jesus' whereabouts he was furious and ordered all boys in Bethlehem under the age of two to be slaughtered.

Medieval writers claimed that more than 144,000 'Holy Innocents' were killed and sometimes they are referred to as the first martyrs.

The massacre had a great influence on later culture. The Holy Innocents have their own feast day (December 28th) and their own carol (The Coventry Carol – Lullay, lullay, thou little tiny child – written in 1534). The massacre has also inspired an enormous amount of Renaissance art.

A Baptism of Fire: Matthew 3:11

In 19th Century Europe soldiers would proudly speak of their baptism of fire, the first time they had faced enemy bullets. This was regarded as an important rite of

passage. We read that the 14-year-old French Prince Louis Napoleon deliberately exposed himself to enemy bullets at the Battle of Saarbrücke in 1870 in order to get his baptism of fire over as soon as possible.

This 19th century ritual leads to the common modern meaning of the phrase but the original 'baptism of fire' was not a physical ordeal but a spiritual blessing. In Matthew chapter 3 we read how John the Baptist told the crowd 'I baptise you with water to show that you have repented but the one who will come after me will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and with fire'.

If you think about the Pentecost story in Acts chapter 2, the disciples and believers were touched by tongues of fire and filled with the Holy Spirit.

A Disciple: Matthew 4:19, also Luke 14:26-32

The dictionary meaning of a disciple is an ardent follower. It comes from the Latin *discipulus* meaning student. In Matthew chapter 4, we read how Jesus called his first four disciples, Simon (whom he later named Peter, the Rock) and his brother Andrew and James and John, the sons of Zebedee. All four were fishermen in the Sea of Galilee and they all left a secure job to become 'fishers of men'.

Some people will tell you that Jesus had twelve disciples to represent the twelve tribes of Israel. At the Last Supper it is assumed that 13 people sat down for that meal, one of whom was Judas Iscariot, the betrayer of Jesus. His evil reputation has made 13 an unlucky number ever since.

The Salt of the Earth: Matthew 5:13

In Matthew chapter 5 we read how Jesus addresses a huge crowd who have come to listen to him by the Sea of Galilee. He had just told them about the eight blessings or Beatitudes and he then goes on to tell his listeners '*You are the salt of the earth*'. He continues, '*If salt loses its saltiness, there is no way to make it salty again. It has become worthless so it is thrown out and people trample on it*'

Just one verse in Matthew's Gospel and yet it includes a well-used phrase.

In Jesus' time, salt was not only very valuable, it was an important preservative for food, preventing it from going bad. In the same way Jesus charged his disciples and followers to preserve the world from evil and fend off corruption.

When I was a child, I remember my parents preserving runner beans in salt so that we could eat them all year round. The word salt is also the origin of the word salary.

To hide one's light under a bushel: Matthew 5:15 and 25:14-30

Today this phrase means that you hide your natural talents, but the phrase is derived from the names of two ancient units of measurement. A bushel was a unit of volume equal to four pecks. (Some of us are old enough to remember having to learn that at school). The word could also be used for the basket that contained a bushel. A talent was an ancient unit of weight and came to describe a valuable coin of gold or silver. Although the value varied over the centuries, a talent was always a significant sum of money.

So how were these two words combined into this phrase? In Matthew chapter 5 Jesus tells his followers to let their light shine before men. *'No-one lights a candle and puts it under a bushel (bowl in modern translations) but in a candlestick where it gives light for everyone.'* he tells them.

In Matthew chapter 25 we read how Jesus told the story of a man who went travelling, leaving his fortune of several talents divided among his three servants. Two servants used their talents wisely and had made a healthy profit when the master returned and were handsomely rewarded. But the third servant had hidden his talent in the ground and had made no profit. As we know, he not only lost his one talent but he also lost his job.

So, don't hide your talents under a bushel. Use them wisely!

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Lent Home Group

A home group will be meeting weekly to read the Bible and talk about our faith. As the Church calendar approaches Easter, one of the focal moments of the Christian year, we thought it would be valuable to spend some time together thinking more deeply about what we believe. We will be looking at the Creed, which we say together every Sunday but which poses many questions. We may use a book to help us – more details will appear in the pew sheets!

The group will be led by Sheenagh Bloomfield at her house in Station Road, Beeston. It will meet on Tuesday evenings in Lent, starting on 7th March at 7.30pm. We expect to be finished by about 9pm each week. Lifts can be arranged for anyone who needs them. If you could let us know numbers in advance it would be helpful, just so we can get enough chairs ready! Please email Sheenagh: sheenaghbloomfield@gmail.com or find her at church.

Children's Society

It is so wonderful to include good news concerning the contributions from this Church to the Children's Society. The two Christingle Services over the Christmas period collected £624.80. This was so generous and will go a long way to helping those young people who need the Children's Society.

In the Midlands the Children's Society services helped 2,149 young adults. There are 88 specialist services across England supporting young people on a range of issues including child sexual exploitation, running away from home or care, substance misuse, mental and emotional health problems. The Midlands required 12 of these 88 services in helping local youngsters.

In view of these facts I am going to ask all of you to please become a box holder. All we require of you is to have a box in your home for all the odd change, 1p, 2p (higher amounts are gratefully appreciated if possible).

On behalf of the thousands of children whose lives have been transformed by our services, I would like to extend my warmest thanks to you for being a Box Holder. Every penny you collect in your box really does make a difference and enables us to be there for the young people who need us most.

Matthew Reed, Chief Executive

Our official Box Opening takes place in September but I know that a few of the Box Holders fill their boxes long before then. Please don't hold on to them: bring them to Church on Sunday and if I am not there they can be put in a safe place for me to collect on my next visit. I will be more than happy to empty them, bank the money for the Children's Society and return your box with a receipt.

Rosie Stowe

Hidden Word Puzzle

All the words in this puzzle are Biblical pairs. Words can be in any direction  across the rectangle, but all are in straight lines. Some letters are used more than once. The remaining letters spell out a topical phrase.

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Adam	Eve	Mary	Joseph	Jacob	Esau
Ahab	Jezebel	Moses	Aaron	James	John
Cain	Abel	Paul	Barnabas	Joseph	Benjamin
David	Goliath	Ruth	Naomi	Samuel	Eli
David	Jonathan	Samson	Delilah	Simon	Andrew
Solomon	Sheba	Zechariah	Elizabeth		

Last issue's hidden carols: *'O Come All Ye Faithful; Away in A Manger'*

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Police Station	0115 9430999
Gas Emergency	0800 111999
Citizens Advice Bureau, Council Offices, Foster Ave.	0844 4994194
Library, Foster Avenue	0115 9255168
Methodist Church	0115 9431164
Church of the Assumption	0115 9228145
Bramcote Leisure Centre	0115 9173000
Broxtowe Borough Council, Foster Ave	0115 9177777

For other information about services and community groups in Beeston please refer to the Help Directory in the Public Library.



The Parish Church of St John the Baptist Beeston



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	Ray Stevenson	0115 9253562

Regular services

Sunday	8.00am	Said Eucharist
	10.00am	Sung Eucharist <i>Sunday School meets in church</i>
	6.30pm	Evening Worship
Mon–Weds	7.30am	Morning Prayer
Tuesday	1.00pm	Eucharist, followed by coffee <i>Feel free to bring your lunch</i>
Wednesday	10.00am	Eucharist
Thursday	9.00am	Morning Prayer
Thursday	1:30pm	Mothers' Union Prayer Group (<i>excluding 2nd Thursday</i>)