



# On Stream

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The assembled congregation at St Wilfrid's for the Harvest Festival and Bruce's celebration.

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## Prayer Diary

### **For your prayers in November**

**Aston** The residents of Shardlow Road, Shirley Park and Aston Hall Drive. The pupils, staff and governors of Aston on Trent Primary School. The work of the Royal British Legion (Aston & Weston Branch).

**Barrow** All who use and manage the Brookfield Club.

**Elvaston** All who use, manage and work at Elvaston Castle Country Park. The Elvaston Cricket Club.

**Shardlow** The residents and staff of Shardlow Manor Residential Home.

**Swarkestone** The residents of Derby Road.

**Twyford** The residents of Arleston.

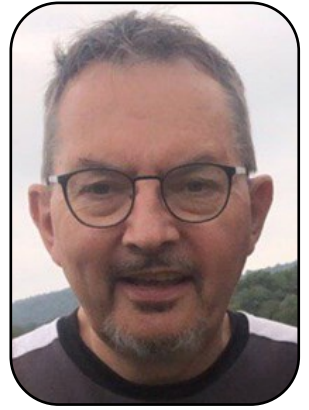
**Weston** All who use and manage Weston Village Hall.

**The Community** Our local Police and Emergency Services.

**The Diocese** The ministry of Derby Cathedral. The Dean of Derby

**World Church** The Provinces of Portugal, Spain and the Falkland Islands.

## Tony writes:



Dear friends,

Family history has become something of a growth industry in our modern age. Perhaps it is because the internet has created new possibilities for access to records and exchange of information about family trees, to which the popularity of websites, such as Ancestry.com, testifies. Perhaps too there is a deep-seated need, in the face of the fragmented society in which we live, to put down roots and have a sense of where we belong. Whatever it is, there seems to be something immensely satisfying to most people to discover information or, even better, photographs about their forbears. Consider for a moment the lengths that some people, who were adopted as young babies, often go to in order to discover their natural parents, even if the consequences do not turn out to be the anticipated joyful reunion. We want to know where we have come from.

Another example of a similar sentiment is family photographs. One tip I learnt as a young curate was, when visiting people, especially the elderly, always look at the family photos. They are always a source of pride and a good conversation starter, because people nearly always want to tell you about their family; who's who and who's doing what and where! It is fascinating to note how people who live on their own surround themselves with photographs of departed loved ones as well as very much alive grandchildren or nieces and nephews. It is almost as though they are there to remind the person that they really are not alone; they are surrounded by the love and affection of all these people who are in turn special to them.

November always seems to me a time for family photos and family trees. Everyone knows about the great festivals of Christmas and Easter, but sadly in our modern age some of the other festivals get overlooked. All Saints' Day is one of these and yet it is a significant moment in the year when we remember our spiritual family tree. We can use this time to remind ourselves that we are not alone as Christians but part of a family of faith, a family which is both catholic and apostolic, in other words, which extends throughout the world and throughout history. Together with those who have gone before us in faith and those who share the faith with us today, we are all saints.

The following day at All Souls' and just over a week later at Remembrance Sunday we remember our private and national unity with those who are dear to us but whom we see no longer. It is like getting the family album out, surrounding ourselves with the memories they represent and standing with them in the eternal presence of God.

As the unknown writer of the Letter to the Hebrews says:

"Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us." They are cheering us on from the grandstand!

God bless,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Tony'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

# Benefice News

If you would like to receive a copy of the magazine by email rather than in a hard copy please contact me on the email address below and I will send you one. (There is no charge for this, but a donation to your local church would be appreciated)

Please inform me of any detail changes for contacts that are listed on pages 16 and 17

All material for the **December 2023** edition of the magazine to be sent to Joe Nutman at [jnutman@btinternet.com](mailto:jnutman@btinternet.com) by **November 20** please.

**John Lear's "Last Stand"** John has over the last couple of years retired from leading worship both in the Methodist church and in our Benefice. He has, however, expressed the wish to preach one last sermon on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> November at All Saints', Aston. It will give us the opportunity to say a proper "Thank you" to John for his ministry within the Benefice over many years, which has been greatly appreciated.

**On Line Services** We are continuing to record services in advance and post them on-line on both the Aston and the Benefice websites. You just need to go to the page entitled "Online worship and prayer." They are also be made available via the Facebook groups and, if you let me know you would like to receive it, a link can be sent to your email address too.

**Facebook.** Growing numbers of people are now joining our Public Groups on Facebook for All Saints' (169 members) and for the Trent and Derwent Benefice (80 members). Swarkestone (215 followers), Barrow (421 followers) and the Friends of St.Mary's, Weston (115 followers) also have their own Facebook pages. They are a very convenient way of keeping in touch and of letting everyone know what is happening around the Benefice. If you are not on Facebook or are unfamiliar with or are not used to social media, do contact Tony for advice, if you would like to be able to access the church Facebook groups.

**All Souls' Day – the Commemoration of the Departed.** We shall be remembering our departed loved ones at 7.30 pm on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November at All Saints', Aston on Trent.

## BENEFICE 200 CLUB

The results for the October draw of the 200 club were 1<sup>st</sup> – 5 (Aston), 2<sup>nd</sup> – 90 (Weston), 3<sup>rd</sup> – 132 (Weston).

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## *From the Registers*

### Aston

#### Baptism:

15<sup>th</sup> October – Freya and Fletcher Coles



### Barrow

#### Wedding:

2<sup>8th</sup> October – Thomas Seymour-Shove and Hannah Morton



# CHILDREN'S PAGE

## JESUS shows he was not HAPPY with the PHARISEES.

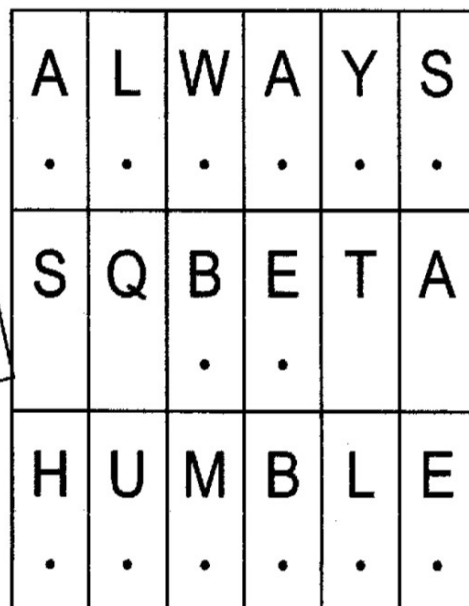
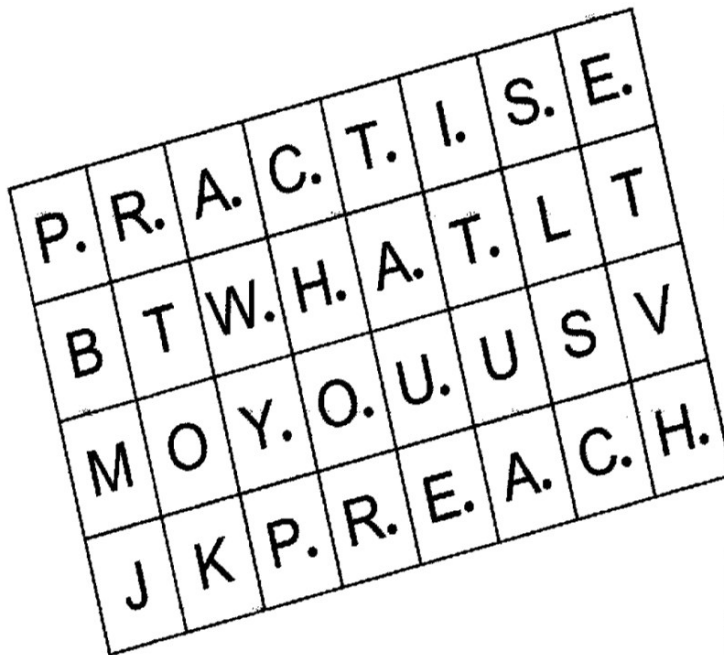


They said one thing  
and did something  
different.

They were too  
proud of  
themselves.



Shade the boxes with a dot (•) to find out the 2 messages Jesus wanted to give them.







It was a great pleasure to welcome the Bishop of Repton, the Rt. Rev'd. Malcolm Macnaughton to our Patronal Festival on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> October.

Our next big event will be, of course, our Remembrance Sunday Parade and Service on the **12<sup>th</sup> November**.

On the **19<sup>th</sup> November** it will be our pleasure to have The Rev'd. John Lear preaching his last sermon with us. John has considerably scaled down his retirement ministry over the last two or three years, but we wanted to take this opportunity to formally acknowledge all that he has brought to the Benefice and especially to All Saints'. John and Gill will, of course, continue to be members of the congregation.

**Wednesday Hub** group meetings in November will be as follows:

**1<sup>st</sup> November from 10.00 am: Open Café – Social.**

**8<sup>th</sup> November at 10.30 am: Open Book – Bible Exploration.**

**15<sup>th</sup> November from 10.00 am: Open Café – Social.**

**22<sup>nd</sup> November at 10.30 am: Open Discussion.**

**29<sup>th</sup> November from 10.00 am: Open Café -Social**

**Aston Community Choir** meets on Monday evenings at 7.00 pm in the Heritage Centre.

**The Bellringers** meet on Monday evenings at 8.00 pm.

**Dates for your diary:**

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November – All Saints' Day – 9.30 am Holy Communion; 6.45 pm Evensong

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November – 7.30 pm All Souls' Mass for the Commemoration of the Departed.

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November – 7.30 pm CAMEO meeting

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November – 7.30 pm PCC Meeting.

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November at 2.30 pm MU meeting – Visit of Richmond Choir.

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Café and Craft Morning.



**WANTED!!**

To raise money for Young Minds charity and Aston Well Dressers

**Unwanted books, CDs, DVDs, computer games.**

Please leave at **96 Weston Rd, Aston.**

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Thanks, Cathy Razzell



**"Books in the Belfry" – the All Saints' Community Library** is open for everyone in Aston to use free of charge. We are grateful for gifts of books, but we would prefer not to receive non-fiction books .

**Keep up with news by joining the All Saints', Aston on Trent public group on Facebook.**  
**Or visit our website: [www.astonontrentchurch.org](http://www.astonontrentchurch.org)**

### **Aston on Trent Women's Institute.**

We braved the approaching storm Babet to go to the Theatre Royal to see The King & I. A fabulous evening was had by all and the supper we had on the coach home was delicious, Thank you.

Our October Coffee & Chat fundraiser was extremely popular with over £150 raised for our charity. Thank you to everyone that baked and supported these events throughout the year. It really is lovely seeing everyone chatting and finding mutual connections.

With the festive season approaching don't forget to use our easyfundraising link when you start your Christmas shopping, you can shop with all the major retailers and they in turn donate to us. £57 raised so far thank you!! <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/aston-on-trent>

While we are organising the Christmas fuddle party for our December meeting, we will also start planning events for next year if you have any ideas please let us know or come to a committee meeting to find out more. New ideas are always welcome!

#### **Dates for your diary: -**

**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November:** Fairy Tale of New York at Derby Arena.

**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> November 12 for 12:15pm departure:** Morley Hayes Birthday luncheon.

### **Aston and Weston Mother's Union**

There was a good congregation at Barrow Church last month on the occasion of Bruce's 25 years of Reader Ministry. He has always supported our Mothers' Union and we were pleased to see so many of our members celebrating at the service with Bruce.

The next MU meeting will be held at Richmond Village. We enjoyed our winter visit there last year so we are looking forward to a second visit to listen to the Richmond choir singing seasonal music. Please note that the date, which is usually the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday, will be on the 5<sup>th</sup> Thursday (by Richmond's request). The date is Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November and we are asked to be at Richmond, in the social room above the coffee shop, in good time for a 2.30 start. Do you remember how the choir enjoyed the homemade refreshments which we all provided last time? They have requested that they would love a similar spread, if at all possible!

Subscriptions are payable now and Hazel will be collecting them at both the November and the December meetings. The Derby Diocesan MU sub for 2024 is £29. They have managed to budget carefully to keep the rise down to only £1 more than last year. If you can, it would be helpful to bring the cash in an envelope (with your name on it!), especially the day the choir are singing and we are doing the refreshments!

### **CAMEO**

The dark Autumn nights are drawing in. There are lights around the Heritage Centre and a warm welcome to everyone to come and join our group.

Our October meeting was well-attended to hear about the excellent free work Treetops Hospice do for many people around Derbyshire.

Natalie and Adela from Treetops outlined sensitive subjects on end of life care and support needed for adults and children going through bereavement.

They have various ways to raise funds to support their work. A new unit has been built and will soon be seen on TV.

Our next meeting on Wednesday 1st November is a talk on Calke Abbey by Colin Stewart 7.30am Heritage Centre Aston-on-Trent DE72 2DH.

If you need further information contact me : Marion Glover (Cameo Leader) 01332 792405.



# Barrow

Harvest Festival was held at St Wilfrid's church in October and also celebrated Bruce's 25 years as a Reader. It was a lovely bright sunny morning and a generous congregation (see pic on the cover) helped Bruce to mark the



occasion. He requested the following be inserted into this month's On Stream 'I would like to thank everyone who was able to attend the United Benefice service, for my 25 years of Ministry. Many thanks for all the cards, messages and gifts. It has been a pleasure,' Bruce & Elaine Ward. The view through the church door (see left) across the valley is just wonderful—it can hardly have changed in hundreds of years.

St Wilfred's wonderful open space is so great for other activities—see below the Introduction to Stone Carving workshop—re run from last year because it was so popular.



## Heritage Events at St Wilfrid's

An Anglo-Saxon church in Barrow upon Trent

Please use the FREE Parking available on the Parish Car Park, Twyford Road, DE73 7HA - 300m away from the Church

### EVENTS (SEPT - DEC)

For BOOKING and more information please email [stwilfridsbarrow@gmail.com](mailto:stwilfridsbarrow@gmail.com) or visit our Facebook page at St Wilfrid's Barrow.

#### Anne Boleyn with Lesley Smith

Friday, 1st September 2023 | 7:30pm | £15 per ticket including a glass of prosecco and chocolate on arrival.

In this portrayal of Anne, she will appear in her execution gown during the last 45 minutes of her life in the Tower of London.

#### George Turner Exhibition

Saturday, 16th September | 10:30am – 4pm and Sunday, 17th September | 11:30am – 4pm.

The renowned artist George Turner lived in Barrow upon Trent, come and see giant prints of his work around the village and an exhibition in the church. Cream teas available.

### WORKSHOPS

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#### Corn Dolly Making with Maggie Cooper

Saturday, 30th September 2023  
12:30pm – 4pm | £20.00

Using short heritage wheat, you will learn how to prepare the material, create your own corn dollies, and learn about why they were made.

#### Introduction to Stone Carving

with Elizabeth Whatnall

Sunday, 1st October 2023

10am – 12:30pm & 1:30pm – 4pm | £35.00

Join Stone carver Elizabeth to create two types of limestone carving. A re-run of last year's class because people loved it so much.

### An Evening with OCHO Singers

Friday, 17th November | 7:30pm | £15 including a glass of wine in the interval.

A fabulous award-winning a cappella ensemble covering songs from sacred choral pieces to modern pop! Beautiful voices in a beautiful setting.

### Village Lantern Procession

Wednesday, 20th December | 6pm | FREE

Meet at the church, with your lanterns made at the workshops (right) and join our lantern procession ending at the Brookfield at 7pm where we will join together for our usual carol singing round the tree.

### Lantern Workshops - All ages.

Saturday, 18th November | 1.30pm - 3.30pm and Sunday, 3rd December | 10am - 12 noon.

You can also collect a children's lantern kit during the above times, to make a lantern at home.

### TALKS (SEPT - DEC)

Wednesdays at 7pm | No need to book  
£3 including light refreshments

6th September	The Lute
4th October	Finding King Richard III
29th November	The findings of our Archaeological Investigation

Please see our Facebook page for details or email us



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## Prayers

We remember all who are sick or troubled at this time, especially we pray for Iris Campbell, Terry Marshall, Jack Smith and Karen Walters.

## Services

For November services please see Shardlow page

## Pet Service

Several dogs and their owners braved the heavy rain to attend our Paws4Prayer service on October 1st. *(See below)* Some 4 legged friends joined in the hymn singing, others took the opportunity to have a nap. Each dog received a blessing from Tony. Thank you all for coming, it was lovely to see you.

## St Bartholomew's Facebook page

Our Facebook page now has an additional administrator and has up to date information on church services, open afternoons, guided tours and all other events.



# Shardlow

## PRAYERS

Please remember in your prayers Molly Keogh, Sarah Simpson, Mavis Foster, Christine and John Wharton, Iris Campbell and Brodi Price and his family.



## SERVICES

Sunday 5th November 10-30am Morning Prayer with Bruce  
Sunday 12th November 3-00pm Remembrance Service with Paul  
Sunday 19th November 10-30am Morning Prayer with Bruce  
Sunday 3rd December 10-30am Holy Communion with Tony

On Thursday 2nd November at 7-30pm at Aston Church Tony will take a Service for All Souls' Day.

At the Morning Prayer Service with Bruce on October 1st we were pleased to welcome Margaret Boyce along with her Daughter and Son-in-Law. It was lovely to share memories of times when Kenneth led Morning Prayer Services at Shardlow. Margaret is now a resident at Shardlow Manor Care Home.

Thank you to St. Wilfred's Barrow-on-Trent for welcoming us to their Harvest Festival Service and celebration of 25 years as a Reader for Bruce. It was a lovely Service and so good to meet friends from other parishes in The Benefice.

## COFFEE MORNING

The Christmas Coffee Morning will take place in The Hayward Room on Saturday 25th November from 10-00am to 11-30am. There will be coffee and cakes, raffle, tombola and Christmas goods. Everyone very welcome.

Many thanks to all who support the monthly coffee mornings and all who work so hard in running them. The friendship and fellowship in meeting up for a coffee and chat each month is appreciated by many and the money raised for church funds is an important part of our fundraising. There won't be a coffee morning in December but everyone is welcome to exchange books and jigsaws in the library. The church is open between 9am and 4pm.



Margaret Boyce is back in Shardlow



'Shardlow's Angels' - Bruce's name for the ladies of Shardlow choir pictured at St Wilfrid's recently







# Swarkestone

Next service – Remembrance

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> November – 10.30 am

Minister:- Paul

Readers:- Peter Cooper & June Thompson

Church Cleaning:- Alison Langton & Amy Langton

Welcomers/Sidespersons:- Alison Langton & Wendy Crocker

Please remember in your prayers – Barbara Foster, Jill Malpass and John Warnock.



## Harvest Festival

*Our Harvest Festival service was a resounding success. Our team of volunteers worked really hard to clean and decorate the church and we were very pleased with the results as can be seen in the photos. We were delighted to welcome many new faces to the service and hope to see them again soon. A very generous collection of tinned and packet food was delivered to the Derby City Mission. Many thanks to all who helped in any way.*



## Remembrance Sunday

Our Service of Remembrance will be on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> November. Please join us as we remember and give thanks for the people who helped and protected others in the past and those who continue to do so now. We remember those who were hurt or killed as they served their country.

## Preparing for Christmas

It may be a few weeks away yet, but we are busy planning for the Christmas season. If you would like to help us decorate the Church we will be doing this on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December from 10.00 am – any willing helpers will be very welcome.

We will have helpers on the night to serve refreshments after the Carol Service on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December, if you are able to help please let us know. Any donations of mince pies will also be appreciated. Thank you in advance.

If you want to keep up with our news more regularly, please look for and like our Facebook page – you'll find photos and snippets about happenings at St James' and Swarkestone are added most weeks. <https://www.facebook.com/StJamesChurchSwarkestone>

# Twyford



Flowers: Mrs Samantha Murton

The Open Day and History Display was held on 23<sup>rd</sup> September.

It was a lovely sunny day and a steady flow of visitors arrived during the afternoon. Tea and homemade cake was served and everyone seemed to enjoy the display and the refreshments! Donations for church funds amounted to £151.00. Many thanks to everyone who supported us and a very special thanks to Sam for staging the display. *(see bottom right)*

Our Harvest Festival Service was held on 1<sup>st</sup> October, 2023, and was led by Rev'd Paul Hygate. I have included some photographs of flower arrangements. As usual, St Andrew's looked beautiful with the sun shining through the South facing windows and highlighting the magnificent array of colours. Generous donations had been received of tinned food and dried goods which were donated to the Derby City Mission Food Bank to assist struggling families in these difficult times. *(see flower arrangement pics below)*



**DATE FOR YOUR DIARY: On Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December, 2023 at 3.00pm we are delighted to announce that the Newmount Brass Band have kindly agreed to accompany our Carol Service. Please come and join us.**

**More details to follow.**



# St Mary the Virgin.

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## Service of Remembrance.

Sunday 12/11/23 at 15.00

Royal British Legion will be attending and all are welcome.

Timmy didn't want to put his money in the offering plate Sunday morning, so his mother decided to use some hurried creative reasoning with him.



"You don't want that money, honey," she whispered in his ear. "Quick! Drop it in the plate. It's tainted!"

Horried, the little boy obeyed.

After a few seconds he whispered, "But, mommy, why was the money tainted? Was it dirty?"

"Oh, no dear," she replied. "It's not really dirty. It just 'taint yours, and it 'taint mine," she replied. "It's God's."

**Words of wisdom:** *"There's a fine line between a long, drawn-out sermon and a hostage situation."*

*In a moment creative inspiration, the entrepreneur who owned the coin-op laundry beside the church commissioned this sign for his window: "Where cleanliness really is next to Godliness!"*

Find us on facebook: Friends of St Mary the Virgin Church –  
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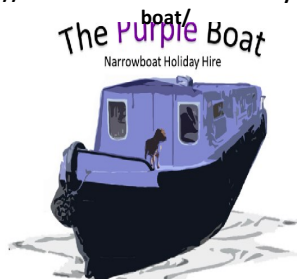
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## SERVICES IN NOVEMBER

	<i>Readings</i>	<b>Aston</b>	<b>Barrow</b>	<b>Elvaston</b>	<b>Shardlow</b>	<b>Swarkestone</b>	<b>Twyford</b>	<b>Weston</b>
Wed. 1 <sup>st</sup> Nov. <b>All Saints' Day</b>		9.30 HC Tony 6.45 Evensong						
Thurs. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Nov. <b>All Souls' Day</b>		7.30 HC Tony						
5 <sup>th</sup> November <b>4<sup>th</sup> before Advent</b>	Micah 3. 5-12 Matt 24. 1-14	10.30 FC Paul 3.00 Richmond Village. Tony		Service at Shardlow	10.30 MP Bruce		10.30 HC Tony	
Wed. 8 <sup>th</sup> Nov.		6.45 Compline					9.30 HC Tony	
12 <sup>th</sup> November <b>Remembrance Sunday</b>	Wisdom 6. 12-16 Matt 25. 1-13	10.30 Service of Remembrance Tony	10.30 Service of Remem. Bruce	Service at Shardlow	3.00 Service of Remem. Paul	10.30 HC Paul		3.00 Service of Remem. Tony
Wed. 15 <sup>th</sup> Nov.		9.30 HC Paul 6.45 Compline						
19 <sup>th</sup> November <b>2<sup>nd</sup> before Advent</b>	Zeph 1.7,12-18 Matt 25. 14-30	10.30 FC Tony Preacher: John Lear	10.30 HC Paul	Service at Shardlow	10.30 MP Bruce		3.00 ES Bruce	
Wed. 22 <sup>nd</sup> Nov.		6.45 Compline						9.30 HC Paul
26 <sup>th</sup> November <b>Christ the King</b>	Ezek 34. 11-16, 20-24 Matt 25. 31-46.	10.30 FW & Baptism Tony						
3 <sup>rd</sup> Dec. <b>Advent 1</b>		10.30 HC Paul		At Shardlow	10.30 HC Tony		10.30 MP Bruce	

**Key:** HC = Holy Communion, FC = Family Communion, FW=Family Worship, MP = Morning Prayer, ES = Evensong, UBS = Benefice Service