

Beacon



Light

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Sunday 28th October
A warm welcome to the Beacon Family of Churches on Bible Sunday

What's on in the coming week

Sunday 28th October Bible Sunday

9:30am	Painswick	Painswick Praise <i>Speaker: Liz Williams</i>
9:30am	Pitchcombe	Holy Communion (BCP)
11.00am	Edge	Family Praise <i>Speaker: Liz Williams</i>
11:00am	Harescombe	Morning Prayer
11:00am	Sheepscombe	Parish Communion
6.30pm	Cranham	Evening Worship

Monday 29th October

12-1.15pm	Ashwell	Community Lunches
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Thursday 1st November *All Saints*

9.30am	Sheepscombe	Mid-Week Worship
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Friday 2nd November *All Souls*

7:30pm	Cranham	All Souls Service
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Sunday 4th November All Saints Sunday

9.30am	Edge	3 Parish Communion <i>Revd Pat Freeth, Area Dean of Stroud</i>
9.30am	Painswick	Parish Communion
11.00am	Cranham	Family Communion
11.00am	Sheepscombe	Morning Worship
4:00 pm	Painswick	Benefice All Souls Service

NOTICES:

Today, Sunday, October 28th, is **Bible Sunday**. We welcome **Liz Williams of Wycliffe Bible Translators** as our guest speaker at Painswick at 9.30am and Edge at 11am. Hopefully many of you will take the opportunity to hear her and learn more about this important work.

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**Community Lunches**-Monday 29th October at Ashwell Centre from 12 noon to 1.15pm. Hosted this week by Parishioners of Our Lady and St Therese. The money raised is donated to local charities. If you have never been to enjoy the fellowship, come and bring a friend.

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At the **All Souls Service** on **Sunday 4 Nov at St Mary's at 4:00 pm** we will remember, by name, those whom you wish to be mentioned at this time- those whose funerals have taken place in the Churches of the Benefice and those funerals taken by Beacon clergy and readers at the crematoria in the last 2 years will be read out. If you have others you wish to be named, and hopefully be able to be with us, please put your names on the lists in church or contact the Benefice Office. The lists will be collected on Friday 2 November.

Please contact Cranham churchwardens if you wish names to be read at the service in Cranham on 2nd November at 7.30pm

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**Jennie Marsh Christmas Cards** Thanks to all for their support of the Trust. Last year we raised nearly £1000 from the sale of Christmas Cards, which has been used to further the projects which the JMT is involved with, in various countries in Sub-Saharan Africa. I am away until 18 October but I will be selling cards after that. One has been especially drawn by a boy at one of the schools we support in Uganda. I look forward to your support once again. -Frankie Marsh.

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Book your tickets for the **Christian Aid Autumn Supper** at 7.30pm Thursday 22nd November in the Church Rooms. Choice of Cottage pie or Lasagne, dessert and cheese, complimentary glass of wine. Tickets £16 pp from the Benefice Office, a CA committee member or call 812966.

Beacon People

Our prayers are asked for all who are sick, especially **Glynnis Mayes, Will Tarbuck** and **Joan Wood**. We pray for all whose prayer requests are on our prayer boards, and especially for all those people, whether they are relatives or friends, who care for the sick and disabled in their own homes. We also remember before God all who have died recently, especially **Bernard Vickers**, or whose anniversaries of death fall at this time.

Times and Dates to note:

Next Sunday **4th November**, the **Benefice All Souls Service** will be held in **St. Mary's at 4.pm**. Please see the notices page for details. There will also be an **All Souls Service in Cranham on 2nd November at 7.30pm**.

Also on **November 4th**, **St. John the Baptist, Edge** will welcome **Revd. Pat Freeth**, our Area Dean, to preside at **the 9.30am 3 Parish Communion**.

The following Sunday, **November 11th**, is **Armistice Day**. **All our Remembrance Services will begin at 10.50am** .

Painswick's Remembrance Service will be a **Civic Service at the War Memorial at 10.50am**. The service for Harescombe with Brookthorpe and Edge parishes takes place this year in **St. Swithun's , Brookthorpe**.

There will be one service of **Holy Communion** in the benefice on Remembrance Sunday – it will be in **St. Mary's at 9.30am** and will include the laying of wreaths at the church war memorial in St. Peter's Chapel. We are pleased to welcome back **Canon Paul Nener** of Liverpool Cathedral, who is making a return visit to lead this service and the Civic Service which follows it. We are very grateful to Canon Paul for coming to support us for a second time during our vacancy.

Collect

Merciful God,
teach us to be faithful in change and uncertainty,
that trusting in your word
and obeying your will
we may enter the unfailing joy of Jesus Christ our Lord

Post Communion

God of all grace,
your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry
with the bread of his life
and the word of his kingdom:
renew your people with your heavenly grace,
and in all our weakness
sustain us by your true and living bread;
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Readings: *Isaiah 55.1-11 or 2 Timothy 3.14 - 4.5, John 5.36b-end*

Prayer for our Parishes

Father God, You have called us to be your servants in this place.

We ask your blessing on us all during this vacancy.

We pray for all those involved in the selection process
of a new Vicar for the Beacon Family of Churches.

May they be guided by your Holy Spirit to recognise the one
who can best inspire and lead us in our journey of faith.

May the person you choose be open to your calling and our needs.

‘Speak Lord for your servants are listening’

All this we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

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Information for next week's Beacon Light to the Office by Wednesday 10am at the latest, please. To receive Beacon Light by email, please let the Benefice Office have your name and email.