

Beacon



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Sunday 4th November – All Saints Sunday
A warm welcome to the Beacon Family of Churches

What's on in the coming week

Sunday 4th November – All Saints Day

9.30am	Edge	3 Parish Communion <i>Rev Pat Freeth, Area Dean of Stroud.</i>
9.30am	Painswick	Parish Communion
11.00am	Cranham	Family Communion
11.00am	Sheepscombe	Morning Worship
4.00pm	Painswick	Benefice All Souls Service

Monday 5th November

9.30am	Edge	Prayer in Edge
12-1.15pm	Ashwell	Community Lunches

Wednesday 7th November - Willibrord

11.00am	Richmond	Holy Communion
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Thursday 8th November *Saints & Martyrs of England*

9.30am	Sheepscombe	Morning Prayer
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Sunday 11th November Remembrance Sunday

9.30am	Painswick	Holy Communion <i>including wreath laying in St. Peter's Chapel</i>
10.50am	Brookthorpe	Remembrance Service <i>for Harescombe with Brookthorpe & Edge</i>
10.50am	Cranham	Remembrance Service
10.50am	Painswick War Memorial	Armistice Day Service
10.50am	Pitchcombe	Remembrance Service
10.50am	Sheepscombe	Remembrance Service

Notices

A warm welcome this morning to **Revd. Pat Freeth**, our Area Dean, who is presiding at the 9.30am 3 Parish Communion in St. John the Baptist, Edge.

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At the **All Souls Service** this afternoon in **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. All are very welcome at this service.

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Community Lunches-Monday 5th at Ashwell Centre from 12 noon to 1.15pm. Our Hosts this week are Croft Primary School. 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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Next Sunday, **November 11<sup>th</sup>**, is **Armistice Day**. All our Remembrance Services will begin at 10.50am. Painswick will have 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 next 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 welcome back **Canon Paul Nener** of Liverpool Cathedral, who is making a return visit to Painswick.

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Jennie Marsh Christmas Cards Thanks to all for their support of the Trust.. I look forward to your support once again; to buy cards do contact me either in church or on 01452 812829 - Frankie Marsh.

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Thanks to your generosity we were able to send 16 filled dignity bags from the Benefice and contribute to a further 10. We also sent children's coats, warm socks and 40 pairs of wellies. Here they are (left) all loaded up when they went off in October; they are now on their way to Syria!

## Beacon People

Our prayers are asked for all who are sick, especially **Glynnis Mayes**, **Will Tarbuck** and **Joan Wood**. We pray for Ralph Kember following a fall and breaking his hip. We would also remember Anne Kember. 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 **Jim Stockbridge**, or whose anniversaries of death fall at this time.



**Congratulations to Charles Garstang  
Celebrating his 80<sup>th</sup> birthday this week.**



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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

## News from DASH – Delivering Aid to Stroud Homeless

The colder weather is here and with it an appeal from Marah for warm gloves, hats and scarves as well as for warm socks, vests and new underpants for men. Also needed: instant coffee, sugar and long-life milk, plus toiletries, toothpaste and brushes, deodorant, shaving gel etc but not soap. Also: Christmas is coming; large boxes of biscuits and chocolates welcome at this time. **Donations in boxes at back of Painswick or Cranham Churches or at Murrays Estate agency.** The small change collection continues and is much appreciated for the steady flow of cash that enables Marah to meet sudden emergencies (eg a bus fare to hospital) as well as contributing to the cost of producing the hot dinners served at the Drop In centre three times a week. Please save your 1ps, 2ps and 5ps and give them to Frances Watson (812 071) or Alison Robinson (812 286) who is happy to come and collect if a bag gets too heavy to bring to church!

## **Collect**

God of glory,  
touch our lips with the fire of your Spirit,  
that we with all creation  
may rejoice to sing your praise;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## **Post Communion**

Lord of heaven,  
in this eucharist you have brought us near  
to an innumerable company of angels  
and to the spirits of the saints made perfect:  
as in this food of our earthly pilgrimage  
we have shared their fellowship,  
so may we come to share their joy in heaven;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Readings:** *Wisdom 3.1-9 or Revelation 21.1-6a, John 11.32-44*

## **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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