

**CHURCH OF ST BENEDICT BISCOP and
THE CHURCH OF THE VENERABLE BEDE**



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**Celebrating Dedication Sunday
7th October 2018**

WELCOME

If you have come to a communion service and you are accustomed to receive in your own church or chapel, you are very welcome at our altar. If you are not a communicant member of a church but would like an individual blessing, please bring a service booklet to the altar rail at the time of communion.

CHURCH OF ST. BENEDICT BISCOP

8.00am Holy Communion (said)	10.30am Parish Communion	Hymns
	6.30pm Evensong	811
	Sunday Club: 10.15am at the Hand-in-Hand	602
Lay Assistants (8) Carol Porter	(10.30) Mark Jarvis, Richard Green	691
Servers (10.30) Heather Yeates, Colin Prior		421 c
Sides (8) Caterina & Richard Gilbert	(10.30) Allan & Pat Roberts ,	433 c
	Martin Garrington, Hilary Moore	757
Offertory Beverley Tyer	Intercession Chris Welch	
OT Lesson David Guest	NT Lesson Teresa Guest	Gospel Roy Wootton
EVENSONG	First reading Jeremiah 7:1-11 (NIV p.764)	Angela Pickering
	Second reading Luke 19: 1-10 (NIV p.1053)	Susan Williams
Officiant Laurie Gainer	Sides Carol Porter	
<i>Please join us for coffee after the 10.30am service</i>		

CHURCH OF THE VENERABLE BEDE

	9.00am Parish Communion	
Lay Assistant Peter Cartwright	Intercession Margaret Springthorpe	
Sides Kathleen Ogden, Dorothy Brewerton		
OT Lesson Brian Glover	NT Lesson Maureen Boyce	Gospel Clergy
<i>Please join us for coffee after the service</i>		

Collect O God, by whose providence we celebrate again
the dedication of this church.
Send down upon us, we beseech thee, thy heavenly blessing;
and, because holiness becometh thine house for ever;
make us living temples, holy and acceptable unto thee,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Old Testament Lesson Genesis 28:11-18 (NRSV)

Jacob came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. And the LORD stood beside him and said, 'I am the LORD, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you.' Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, 'Surely the LORD is in this place—and I did not know it!' And he was afraid, and said, 'How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.'

So Jacob rose early in the morning, and he took the stone that he had put under his head and set it up for a pillar and poured oil on the top of it.

This is the word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God

New Testament Lesson 1 Peter 2:1-10 (NRSV)

Rid yourselves, therefore, of all malice, and all guile, insincerity, envy, and all slander. Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation— if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture: 'See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.' To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe, 'The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner', and 'A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall.' They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvellous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

This is the word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God

Alleluia, alleluia. My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord. I know them, and they follow me. All: Alleluia.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John 10:22-29 (NRSV)

All: Glory to you, O Lord

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the

Jews gathered around him and said to him, 'How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.' Jesus answered, 'I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand.

This is the Gospel of the Lord. All: Praise to you, O Christ.

WEEKDAY SERVICES

Morning Prayer Monday to Saturday **9.00am** at St Benedict's

(Wednesday: prayer for individuals on sick list)

Holy Communion 9.30am Tuesday at St Benedict's

11.00am Thursday at the Venerable Bede

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY, 14TH OCTOBER 2018 – HARVEST FESTIVAL

St Benedict's: 8.00am Holy Communion

10.30am Family Communion

7.00pm Taizé Prayer

The Venerable Bede: 9.00am Family Communion

Sunday Club: 10.15am - Hand-in-Hand

Please return your Time and Talents booklets today. If you have forgotten yours please either drop it into the Vicarage or the Parish Office.

Become a Dementia Friend- a free and interactive information service to learn how dementia affects a person and what you can do to make a difference.

Monday 8th October, 10.30am at the Library.

The session will last approximately 1h 30m

A donation of £500 has been sent from the P.C.C.
to the Indonesian disaster appeal.

PLEASE TAKE THIS NOTICE SHEET HOME AND PRAY WITH US

Pray that we may be dedicated to following Jesus Christ

Jesus said, "My sheep hear my voice. I know them and they follow me."

John 10: 27 (NRSV)

As we recall today the dedication of our churches in Wombourne, to St Benedict Biscop and the Venerable Bede, let us renew the dedication of our lives to the service of Jesus Christ and the work of his Church in this village. Let us pray for the wisdom and strength that comes from the Holy Spirit to enable us to do this.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Those who have asked for our prayers: Andrew & Lily Powney, Jan Glover, Sarah Stephenson, Tony Jones, John, Rob, Ken Hill, Thelma Cooper, Edna Kelly, Pat, George Moorhouse, Bill Tyrer, Ann Aldridge, Margaret Wilkes, Charlotte Brooks, Wendy Wilkinson and Irene Haycock.

Those who have died recently and their families: Albert Malcolm Smith, Stephen King and Iris Fieldhouse.

If you, or one of your family or a friend would like visiting by the clergy or prayers to be said in connection with any matter which is causing anxiety, such as illness, bereavement or a moment of crisis, please contact the Rector.

EVENTS THIS WEEK

9.00am Monday to Saturday - Morning Prayer at St Benedict's

Mon 8	10-11am Little Fish at St Benedict's 10.30am Becoming a Dementia Friend at the Library see p3 1.30pm Burial of Dora Wooldridge's cremated remains 7.30pm Bede DCC meet at the Venerable Bede
Tue 9	9.30am Holy Communion at St Benedict's Greater Staff Meeting
Wed 10	9.00am Morning Prayer with special prayers for the sick – St Benedict's 12 noon Trysull Deanery Clergy meet at St Benedict's with Bishop Clive 7.30pm Alpha at St John's Swindon
Thurs 11	11.00am Holy Communion at the Venerable Bede 7.30pm Deanery Synod meet
Fri 12	2.00pm St Benedict's School Harvest Service 7.00pm Choir practice at St Benedict's

THANK YOU

to everyone who helped and supported the Music Festival and especially the Music Festival Committee.

Harvest Festival next Sunday 14th October

This year we are raising money to support The Well, a local charity which works with disadvantaged families in Wolverhampton.

Tickets for lunch at the Civic Centre are on sale in church today.