

Sunday 2nd Aug Trinity 9 Proper 13

10.00am Family Communion service
4.00pm St Bens @4

Mon 3rd Aug

10.00 Mothers Union

Tues 4th August**Weds 5th August July**

10am Said Communion

Thursday 6th August

6.30pm Bell plate group 7.00pm

Friday 7th August**Sat 8th August**

8.30 am Morning Prayer

Sunday 9th Aug Trinity 10 Proper 14

10.00am Family Communion service

4.00pm St Bens @4

2nd Aug 2026 9th Sunday after Trinity

Sides people Dawn Bolt, Fiona Murphy

Readers: Chris Hunt, Marion Angus

Intercessions: Jacqueline Hughes

Offertory* Des & Jenny Peasland

Counting Norman Critchlow, Geoffrey Brown

Coffee : Richard & Linda Warr

Junior church: -

Cleaning:-

If you are on the rota to read or lead intercessions and cannot do them, please arrange a swop with someone else on the rota and let Richard Warr (07732638245) know- if a week before, or the church warden Marion if it's a last minute change.

9th Aug 10th Sunday after Trinity

Annette Bashford & Jill Enstone

Enamarie Olasope, Onyi Ndefo

Catherine Galvin

Fiona Murphy, Trish Coniff

Richard Warr, Jacqueline Hughes

Chris Hunt, Carl Bodsworth

Connie +1



FUTURE DATES FOR Your diary

Thurs 3rd Sept 10am Bible Study group restarts

Sun 6th Sept 10.00am service to include School bags blessing

Tues 8th Sept 10am Tots and Toddlers restarts

Weds 23rd Sept 7.30pm Deanery Synod

Sat 26th Sept 6pm Harvest Supper

Sat 7th Nov 6pm songs of praise for Remembrance

Sat 5th Dec 11am-3pm Christmas Tree Festival

Sun 6th Dec 2.30pm Rotary community Carol service

6pm-8pm Christmas Tree Glow

Sun 13th Dec Nine lessons and Carols Service

Tues 9th Feb 6pm Shrove Tuesday Pancakes and Film

Sun 7th Mar Mothering Sunday

8.30am breakfast

11.15 cake sale

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A warm welcome to our services at St Benedict's from the Ministry team, church officers and the entire congregation, especially if this is your first time with us. Please do join us, if you can, for coffee or tea and biscuits following the main Sunday Morning service.

Miracles old - Miracles new

Most of us will know the story of the miracles when Jesus feeds large crowds, that is recounted in today's Gospel. Once recorded in all four Gospels, sharing 5 loaves of bread and 2 fish between 5000 men, plus women and children. But there was also another time when Jesus fed a crowd with 7 loaves of bread, 4000 men, plus women and children written about in Mark 8:1-13. But how many of us have heard about the prophet Elisha, (2 Kings 4: 42 – 44) who, when given 20 loaves and some grain managed to feed over a hundred people - and still have left-overs.

There are many lessons we can draw upon to get a better understanding of what this meant. It shows God's ability to provide abundantly, even when resources seem insufficient. Elisha's faith in God's promise and his obedience to God's instructions serve as a powerful example of trust and reliance on divine guidance. The miracle symbolizes God's provision and generosity, reminding believers that God can meet their needs in miraculous ways. And finally this miracle foreshadows the similar miracles in the New Testament, such as Jesus feeding the 5,000, and the 4000, highlighting a continuity in God's work throughout the Bible. This story encourages faith and trust in divine provision, even in seemingly impossible situations. But how does this perspective resonate with us? Perhaps if we and the leaders of countries shared resources equitably there would be enough for all – Food for thought?

Blessings

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Our mission is to encourage the people of the parish to worship God in a loving, caring environment and help them to find faith and fulfilment in Jesus