Sunday 15th Nov 2nd Sun before Advent
10.00am Family Communion
12.30pm Home Alone lunch
4pm St Bens@4
Mon 16th Nov
10am Mothers Union
Tues 17th Nov
10.00am Tots & Toddlers
7pm Theological society
4-8.30pm Guiding groups

Weds 18th Nov
10am Service of the Word – Catherine
6.30pm PCC meeting
Thursday 19th Nov
12 noon Warm Welcome spaces
6.30pm Bell plate group
Friday 20th Nov
9 pm Compline on StBensfacebook
Sat 21st Nov
8.30 am Morning Prayer
8.00am St Dyonisious IOC
Sunday 22nd Nov Christ the King
10.00am Family Communion
4pm St Bens@4

15th Nov 2026 2nd Sun before Advent
Sides people Annette Bashford, Jill Enstone
Readers: Alison Marlow, Rosemary Morgan
Intercessions: Liz Hodges
Offertory : Dawn Bolt, Richard Warr
Chalice Assistant: Liz Hodges, Sue Franklin
Counting Chris Hunt, Richard Warr
Coffee : Dawn Bolt, Geoffrey Brown
Junior church: -
Cleaning:- -

22nd Nov 2026 Christ the King
Dawn Bolt, Fiona Murphy
Keith Dunkley, Jacqueline Hughes
Catherine Galvin
Sue Franklin, Des Peasland
Lesley Flood, Fiona Murphy
Norman Critchlow, Alison Marlow
Fiona Murphy, Marion Angus
Connie +1

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 (07732638245) know



FUTURE DATES FOR Your diary

Weds 18th Nov 6.30pm PCC meeting
Thurs 26th Nov 7pm Deanery Synod
Sun 29th Nov 6.30pm advent service St Francis & Therese
Sat 5th Dec 11am-3pm Christmas Tree Festival
Sun 6th Dec 2.30pm Community Carol service + refreshments by Rotary- All welcome
6pm-8pm Christmas Tree Glow
Sun 13th Dec 6pm Nine lessons and Carols Service
Mon 14th Dec 6pm Carol singing at Tesco
Weds 23rd Dec 11am Christingle making
Thurs 24th Dec 4pm Christingle service
11.30pm Midnight mass
Sat 9th Jan 10.00am worship committee
- 10.00am Eco Committee
Tues 19th Jan 7.30pm SNPC mtg
Tues 9th Feb 6pm Shrove Tuesday Pancakes and Film
Sun 7th Mar Mothering Sunday
8.30am breakfast 11.15 MU cake sale
Sun 14th Mar 11.30 APCM

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A warm welcome to our services at St Benedict's , 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 .

Dare we Risk it??

Taking risks is part and parcel of life. Moving house; choosing a partner in marriage; making a career choice – however clearly we've discerned, however much we're sure it's right, there's always an element of risk. One virtue which will come into play is prudence, another is courage, and between the two we discern our way through life.
These same twin virtues are needed in living out our faith so that the Christian voice may be heard in society: standing up for the rights of those who are on the margins, for the dignity of human life from its very beginning to its very end, for compassion for all people and proper stewardship of our common home. And at the same time that we do this, each of us has to register that, along with every human being, we are sinners in a Church that is always in the process of much-needed purification.
In today's Gospel of the parable of the talents Jesus is challenging us to be courageous, to open our hearts wider. We are to risk 'investing' our talent, nurturing the treasure entrusted to us and using it for God's greater glory. In this strange world at this strange time when there is so much fear and uncertainty, we're being challenged to dig deep into our faith in a God who has a plan for our lives and who loves us so much that he entrusts a treasure to us to use and use well. The God we know deep down does not abandon us but blesses us with gifts, gifts to use, each one of us.
The demands of the Gospel are extreme; they are radical. They require us to put into practice Our Lord's preferential option for the weakest in society – the poor, those who are excluded or disadvantaged because of their background, those who perceive they are treated unfairly on account of what they believe.
To be on the side of the Gospel is indeed to risk failure, embarrassment, despair, frustration, even losing our faith ourselves.
Blessings - *Dominic Robinson*
Parish Priest, Farm Street Jesuit Church, London

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