Local abbreviations

Br : Broomfield CF : Cheddon Fitzpaine
KSM: Kingston St Mary WM: West Monkton
BCP HC: Communion from Book of Common Prayer
HC: Holy Communion Ch.Ev: Choral Evensong
Morn. Wsp: Morning Worship;

DATE	Br	CF	KSM	WM
8th Nov	10am Short Act of Remembrance	10.50 Remembrance Day Service	8.30am BCP HC 10.50 Remembrance Day Service	10.50 Remembrance Day Service
15th Nov	11.00am HC	6.00pm Deanery - Prayer & Reflection	9.30am HC	8.30am BCP HC 10.00am Morn.Wsp
22nd Nov			8.30am BCP HC 6.00pm Ch.Ev.	10.00am HC
29th Nov	United Benefice Advent Sunday Service 10.00am in Kingston St Mary			
6th Dec	**4.00pm** Evening Worship	11.00am HC 4.00pm Carol Service	9.30am HC 9.30am Sunday School	8.30am BCP HC 10.00am Morn.Wsp
13th Dec			8.30am BCP HC	10.00am HC

Tuesday 9.00am morning prayer on Zoom. Contact the office for the link if you'd like to join in

Wednesdays: Bible study group in the Benefice Office 7pm. Contact the benefice office for details

Morning Prayer in Kingston church: Normally Rev Jim Cox will say Morn Prayer in Kingston church on **Mon – Weds at 8.00am** do come and join him if you wish.

Parish ministry team

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SOUTH QUANTOCK BENEFICE

OUR MISSION STATEMENT:
"To know, share and spread the love of God"

Welcome

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

8th November 2026

Collect for Remembrance Sunday
God our refuge and strength, bring near the day when wars shall cease and poverty and pain shall end, that earth may know the peace of heaven through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Readings:
8.30am: I Thess 4: 13-end; Matt 25:1-13
KSM 10.50am: Isaiah 2: 1-5
WM & CF: John 15: 9-17

For your prayers:
Derrick Weston, Peter Wright, Philippa, Tom Baker, Bob Pettitt, Marion Baker, Barbara Hastilow, Ray Cleave, Andy, Sandy Adams.
If you know of someone who wishes us to pray for them, please obtain their permission before you contact the Office

Those who have died and those who mourn them:
Lai Ping Mo – West Monkton – 12th Nov 12noon

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Receiving Communion: All who are baptised are welcome to receive bread & wine in our churches.

If you want to receive bread intincted in the chalice come to the LEFT half of the altar rail and to drink from the common cup to the RIGHT.

(a collection for the work of the church may be taken during the service)

Readings 15th Nov: 2nd Sunday before Advent
1 Thess 5: 1-11 & Matt 25: 14-30
(WM also Zephaniah 1: 7, 12-end)

PRAYERS:
Please pray for the events taking place across the Benefice, that we make Christ known in all we do and in all our conversations.

Office Open Mon & Tues 8am – 2.30 and Thursday 8am 11.30am only next week

Nov

10th 2.30pm Singles tea (see details below)

11th 9.00am Home Communion team at Kate's

14th 10-12 Broomfield coffee morning

15th 6pm Deanery Evening Reflection at Cheddon

16th 12-2pm Mens Group bowls – see below

16th 7.30pm KSM PCC Meeting in the office

23rd 7.00pm WM PCC at the BACH

28th 2.30-4pm Children's Christmas Event – in KSM

Dec

5th 10am WM Christmas Fayre – WM village hall

7th 10am- 11.30am Advent Group (runs for 3 weeks)

8th Volis Farm Nativity for the schools

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Babies & Toddlers Walking Group – Kingston Tuesdays 1.30pm – 3pm. Meet by the oak tree at the bottom of Church Lane. Includes coffee & chat.

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Tuesday 10th Nov 2.30 onwards. Tea at the Lemon tree(Willow and Wetlands Stoke St Gregory.) Ring Dianne if you would like a lift .01823-412857

Sat 14th Nov 10am – 12noon. Broomfield Coffee Morning in the Village Hall. Raffle, preserves, cakes, Christmas cards, crafts and more….

Mon 16th Nov Mens Group Bowls -12noon – 2pm at Vivary Park. £10 incl ploughman's at 1.30pm**.** Please book by 9th Nov via the benefice office.

Sat 28th Nov KSM Village hall: Children's Christmas Activities Event. FREE. Lots of crafts and things to do. Refreshments. *Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult please*.

Matthew 25: 1-13

'Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. [2] Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. [3] When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; [4] but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. [5] As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. [6] But at midnight there was a shout, "Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him." [7] Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. [8] The foolish said to the wise, "Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out." [9] But the wise replied, "No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves." [10] And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. [11] Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, "Lord, lord, open to us." [12] But he replied, "Truly I tell you, I do not know you." [13] Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

Reflection on Matthew 25: 1-13

Most of us will probably not have the reading set for today (Matt 25: 1 – 13). This is about the ten virgins awaiting the bridegroom: those who had enough fuel and those who didn't. Given the carnage of what we remember today, there is an obvious message about being ready whenever we are called to account. It could be any moment quite soon – and it may equally be not for a very long time. An alert life lived in longing expectation.

Jim Cox

Remembrance Sunday KSM 10.50am

Speaker: Commodore David Pond MBE:

Talk ' 'Honouring Sacrifice, Delivering Hope: Humanitarian Missions to Ukraine'

The collection will be split between RBL and Ukraine First

TAUNTON DEANERY EVENING SERVICE:

Prayer & Reflection

With musicians from around the deanery

6.00pm - Sunday 15th November

at Cheddon Fitzpaine church

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Advent Groups:

Mondays 10.00am – 11.30am (WM area)

7th, 14th & 21st December

This group is open to all. Contact the office for details : office@southquantockbenefice.org.uk

AND

Wednesdays 7pm – 8.15pm

25th November, 2nd & 9th December

in the Benefice Office, Kingston. Open to all. For more details contact the office or the Vicar.

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New Book Review from Jim:

George van Kooten: Reverberations of Good News. on South Quantock Benefice website: Do check it out. https://southquantockbenefice.org.uk/book-reviews/