Family News

Focus on Prayer: As a PCC we are calling St Mary & All Saints to a season of focussed prayer for the church, it's leaders and for the appointment of the new Rector God has for us. Specifically, we are planning to hold two days of prayer on Monday 30 November 2026 and Monday 4 January 2027, the latter being the closing date for applications for the Rector position. The plan is to hold three prayer meetings on each day. We encourage as many people as possible to join us in the prayer space/church and pray with us for God's Kingdom purposes for St Mary & All Saints and out town of Bingham to come. More details will be given during our service on Sunday 29 November.

This Week: We are now offering coffee between the two morning services on two weeks of the month, the second and the fourth. This being a fourth Sunday, there will be coffee which gives us an additional chance to share fellowship with one another so do either stay or come early and join in!

Sunday 29 November: Next week is the first day of Advent, the beginning of the Church Year and the beginning of a season of eager anticipation and waiting as we approach the celebration of the birth of Jesus. As it is also a fifth Sunday, we will be having a bring and share lunch following the service, so do please bring and share whatever you are able.

Help Needed: We are looking for someone who would be prepared to take on the role (paid) of supply cleaner for Old Church House. This would be to cover for William the caretaker/cleaner when he is on holiday or on sick leave. If this is something you'd be interested in, please speak to John Woodman.

Temporary Heating: At last week's PCC Meeting it was agreed that in view of the fact that new heating for church will be extremely expensive and will involve a lengthy process of applying for grants, having plans drawn up etc, that we would follow what other churches are doing and buy some patio heaters which can be very effective in offering a temporary solution.
We would be extremely grateful if you could prayerfully consider whether this project is something you would be prepared to donate towards. If you would, please speak to our Treasurer, Sue

Christmas Services: Please see flyer on front page for information. If you are able to help with the welcome at any of the extra services, please speak to Wendy.

Craft Club: This continues to run on Wednesday mornings - please see Chrissy for more information.

Welcome Cafe: Do go along to the welcome cafe on a Thursday morning (10am-12.00) and encourage those you know to join in too. This is currently held in Old Church House.

Monday morning prayer: 9.30am – 10.00am in church, all welcome. It's important that we pray together as a church, please join with us to pray for our community, our nation and the world around us. We usually go for coffee afterwards, please feel free to join us.

Soup Service: Friday nights from 5.30 – 6.30pm. Homemade soup with crusty bread plus treats like mince pies and doughnuts. Come and join us, we'd love to see you there!

Bible Readings

9.00am Holy Communion
10:30am Sunday morning worship

Bible readings for both services - Ephesians 1:15-23 and Matthew 25:31-46

Pray

"Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty.[I] I will say of the Lord, "He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust."
Psalm 91V1,2

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Please pray for:

- **Community:** That there will be a working of the Holy Spirit in our town, to stir a curiosity in the people, to know more about God.
- **Church:** That as we love, serve and worship God we will increasingly live as those who trust our good and loving heavenly father.
- **Outreach:** That, by prayer and intentionality, we will be willing and ready to meet the needs of those people whom God sends us through the Thurs café, Soup Service etc.
- **New Rector:** That the person God is calling to Bingham would become aware of the opportunity and be stirred to apply.
- **World:** That in the words of Psalm 46v10, God will be exalted in the earth even in the midst of wars, political upheaval and above Godless secular or religious ways of approaching solutions.

Please remember to make use of the Prayer Board, located near the kitchen. Write and date your prayer requests and the prayer team will pray through them for a month (or longer if required).

If you would like prayer after the service, please speak to Lesley, Andy or Wendy who would be happy to pray with/for you.

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"Go into all the world and proclaim the Gospel to the whole of creation." Mark 16: V15

St. Mary & All Saints Parish Church, Bingham



22nd November 2026

Last Sunday before Advent/Bible Sunday

9.00am Holy Communion with Rev Jo Napper

10.30am Sunday morning worship

