



**United Benefice of
Dolphinholme, Quernmore
& Over Wyresdale**

**All Saints Sunday
Sunday 31 October 2021**

WELCOME

TODAY'S SERVICES AND READINGS

**Dolphinholme St Mark's
10.15am Benefice Eucharist**

Quernmore St Peter's

**No service today—join us at St Mark's!
Christ Church, Over Wyresdale
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Isaiah 25: 6-9; Revelation 21: 1-6a; John 11: 32-44

Collect Prayer for Today

**Merciful God,
teach us to be faithful in change and uncertainty,
that trusting in your word
and obeying your will
we may enter the unfailing joy of Jesus Christ our
Lord.**

Health and Safety Procedures

- Gates and doors will be left open, so there is no need to touch them. Windows will also be open {please dress accordingly!}
- **Please social distance** {2m} along the path and in church at all times.
 - Please use provided **hand gel** as you enter and leave.
 - Please fill up from the front and sit only where you see a service book. **Please take the pew sheet but NOT the service booklet when you leave.** No hymn books will be used.
 - Leave from the back rows first.
- Please avoid chatting on entering and leaving church, but go straight to your seat.
- Children will need to remain seated with family groups, so please bring appropriate distractions as necessary. Sidespeople will be available to help, should you require them.
- **Please place your offering in the box, at the rear of church,**

BENEFICE

Welcome to our **Benefice service** and grateful thanks to St Mark's for hosting. As positive cases of Covid remain high, we request that you continue to follow protocols. (please see first page.)

An Important **pastoral letter**, from the Vicar.

REMINISCENCES TO MAKE YOU PONDER!

Dear friends

When I was a student (many years ago!) my friend and I shared a house with a music student named Tim. Tim was a baritone and he sang in both Uni choirs (as did I, surprisingly!) but he also sang in the Cathedral choir. However, he always protested that his interest in the Cathedral was purely musical! Many years later, as a curate, I attended the National 'LYCIG' (Leading Your Church Into Growth) conference and who should be leading it but Tim - resplendent in a dog collar!

We got to reminiscing and so I asked him how someone so anti- Church had ended up, quite literally, collared! He told me he'd been wandering through York one day and bumped into the Uni Chaplain, whose opening words to him were, 'Hi Tim, how's your walk with God these days?' and that simple encounter had got him thinking about his 'walk with God' & had changed the whole direction of his life.

We have been living through times of challenge and change over the past couple of years, haven't we? So I wonder, how is your walk with God going? It may be that you have lost your path or briefly stepped off it, or perhaps you feel anxious about sitting in church? (as an aside, whilst most places we visit in public have largely done away with sanitising, mask wearing and social distancing, this is not the case in any of the churches of our Benefice!)

Wherever we may be in our walk with God, we are reminded that we never walk alone and that God walks with us. (Psalm 23, for example) Even if we have turned away from Him, He remains faithful and Tim's story is a reminder that God has the power to find us and put us back on the path.

For whatever reason, you may be reading this and thinking that you don't need God, or Church but actually, as we go through unsettling times the support and prayers and fellowship and love of others; the simple routine of going to church regularly and the opportunity to be strengthened and sustained on your journey are exactly what each of us need and your church needs you too.

Please, as we look towards Advent and a new Church year, reflect upon your walk with God and step back onto the path. A new Church year is the perfect time to renew our commitment to God and to begin again the discipline and the joy of coming to Church and sharing in worship and praise with all God's family. We look forward to welcoming you to worship in our Benefice.

With love in Christ

Cindyx

Please note that if you would like to speak to **Cindy or Chris** further about the Pastoral letter, then you will find contact details at the end of the pew sheet.

St Mark's Dolphinholme

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www.achurchnearyou.com/dolphinholme-st-mark/

In Our Year's Mind for **OCTOBER**

Michael Helm, Thomas Gorst, Samson Cookson,
Thomas Cary Owtram, Lois Lupton, Richard Proctor Hall,
Dorothy Hall, Bill Holmes, Ralph Harrison, Margaret Lane,
John Newby Snr, Joyce Mary Eden, Mary Pye,
Maurice Thwaite, Keith Lewis Hancox,
John Kenneth Fisher, John Cookson

The next meeting of **Forest Church** will be on 13th November at 10am. Keep an eye on Facebook for further updates.

St Peter's Quernmore

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In Our Year's Mind for **OCTOBER**

Millie Coltman, Valerie Kelsall

The next **PCC MEETING** will be at a new time of 2pm on Monday 15th November, in church. Please mark it in your diaries so that you don't forget.

Chris will be launching a joint venture with **Quernmore school**, beginning on Thursday. This will be a lunchtime **'Wild Worship'** session with the children. Please pray for **Chris, Fiona** and that this exciting venture will bring more young people to faith.

As of next month (**November**) we will be offering a **said BCP** service of **Holy Communion at St Peter's, at 9am on the 1st Sunday** of the month. This will precede our Family Service, (beginning at 10am) but you're welcome to attend both if you would like to!

Christ Church Over Wyresdale

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Thanks to **Helen Yu** for organising the **Jumble Sale** yesterday and to all who helped in any way. We look forward to hearing the total raised.

Thanks to all who helped with yesterday's **Memorial** service, particularly **Liz** for playing and all who helped with refreshments.

There is now a large black bin at the rear of church for **Olive Branch** donations. Church is open daily so you can drop things off at any time.



Next Week's Services & Readings

**3rd Sunday before Advent
Sunday 7 November 2021**

Dolphinholme St Mark's

9.30am Eucharist

Quernmore St Peter's

9am BCP Eucharist 10am Family Service

Christ Church, Over Wyresdale

11am BCP Eucharist

Jonah 3: 1-5,10; Hebrews 9: 24-end; Mark 1: 14-20

Please take this sheet home with you or pass it on to someone you know who could not be here today. You can also find the pew sheet on the website. If you have any items for this pew sheet please contact graham.rigney@gmail.com by the end of Thursday to ensure inclusion on Sunday

To receive a digital copy of the pew sheet every week simply subscribe via the website at

dgowbenefice.co.uk (on the Blog page)!



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PRAYER CONCERNS

Please pray for all affected by recent heavy rains.
Please pray for all, in our Benefice, returning to work and school tomorrow.

WINDOW ON THE WORLD please pray for

Wisdom from all before it is too late as COP26 begins

The people of Sicily as Cyclone Apollo hits

The people of Sudan as protests turn deadly

The COVID orphans of Iran

HEARING LOOP IN OPERATION

