

## REGULAR SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES

### Monday

9:10am – 10:30 Scramblers  
10.30am - Noon Coffee in Church  
2:00 - 4:00pm - Trefoil Guild  
(1<sup>st</sup> Monday of each month)  
6:15 - 7:30pm - Brownies  
(St. Francis Centre)  
8:15 -10:00pm - Ranger Guides  
(St. Francis Centre)

### Tuesday

9:30 - 11:00am - Scramblers  
6:15 - 7:30pm - Brownies  
(St. Francis Centre)  
7:30pm - 9:00pm - Guides  
(St. Francis Centre)

### Wednesday

1:15pm Bingo (St. Francis Centre)  
6:00pm Brownies  
(St. Francis Centre)  
7:30pm Ladies Group  
(St. Francis Centre)  
(1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each Month)

### Thursday

10:00am Eucharist  
11:00 - 12:30pm Scramblers  
12:30pm Lunch Club (St. Francis Centre)  
8:00pm Discipleship Group StF

### Friday

9:30 – 11:00am Scramblers

### Sunday

## THE DEPARTED

Alan Allaway  
Graham Hopewell  
Barbara Thorn

## ANNIVERSARIES

29/10/2009 Harry Carter

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## OFFICE HOURS

Saturday 10-12

## Welcome to St. Francis in the Parish of Bedminster



## MEMORY VERSE

*Mark 10.51 'then Jesus said to him, 'What do you want me to do for you?' The blind man said to him, 'My teacher, let me see again'*

### Sunday 25th October 10.15 am

#### Last Sunday after Trinity

President: Neville Boundy

Preacher: Neville Boundy

Readings: Jeremiah 31.7-9

Reader: Sheila Lilliman

• Hebrews 7.23-End

• Gospel: Mark 10.46-End

Intercessions: Joanne Smith

Eucharistic: Annalisa Lane & Dianne Allen

Welcome: Anne Lee & Pat Derrick

Coffee: Val Sully & Pat Brown

### Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> November 10.15 am

#### All Saints Day

President: Neville Boundy

Preacher: Neville Boundy

Readings: Isaiah 25.6-9

Reader: Elaine Jones

• Revelation 21.1-6a

• Gospel: John 11.32-44

Intercessions: Dianne Allen

Eucharistic: Val Sully & Joanne Smith

Welcome: Barbara Hill & Pat Brown

Coffee: Wendy Hopegood & Anne Lee

## October

Half Term 23 – 1 Nov

## November

### WORD & SPIRIT – ST A

Sun 1 6.30pm

### AMERIND GROVE

Sat 7 3:00pm - Remembrance  
Regal House

### DCC

11<sup>th</sup> STA 8pm (Second Wed)  
18<sup>th</sup> STF 7:30pm (Third Wed)

### COMMUNICATIONS MEETING

Mon 23 8pm, Rectory

### NORTH ST. WINTER FAYRE

Sat 28<sup>th</sup> Nov. 10-4pm Could this event provide us with an alternative more missional opportunity instead of the fireworks? Perhaps a carol service at the end of the day. We have a stand at the fayre and need volunteers to engage with the Christmas Shoppers.

## December

Wed 9 STA DCC  
Fri 11 Christingle 3.30pm StA  
Sat 12 Lantern Parade  
Sun 13 Christingle 5pm StF  
Wed 16 DCC Sub Group – St F

Fri 18 Luckwell Park Carols 5pm?  
Sat 19 ALDI Carols 10-12pm  
Amerind Grove 3.30pm  
Sun 20 ALL AGE Carols 4pm StF  
StA Carols 7.30pm

### Christmas Eve

Crib 4pm StA  
All Age Carols 5.30 pm StF

### Midnight Mass

Joint 11pm STF

### Christmas Day Joint Service

10.15am StF  
Sun 27 Parish Service 10am StA

## January

Sun 3 Epiphany, Word and Spirit  
Wed 13 ST Aldhelm's DCC  
Wed 21 ST Francis' DCC  
Sun 31 ST Francis' Candlemas  
Bereavement Service

### Principal dates 2016

Ash Wednesday 10 Feb  
Easter Day 27 Mar  
APCM STF 10 Apr  
Weekend Away 15-17 Apr

### Fireworks

The churchwardens and I have agreed that owing to Health and Safety concerns we will not be hosting a fireworks display this year. Andrew.

## Discipleship Group Questions

1. How far is Jericho from Jerusalem?
2. What is significant about the term 'Son of David'?
3. How does this healing compare to 8.22-26?
4. The Transfiguration in ch 9 was the turning point in Jesus ministry. Where and why are we heading 'downhill'?
5. Why has a large crowd gathered in Jericho?
6. What is the blind man's first request?
7. Does God give us needs or a wants?
8. Why did people want to shut him up?
9. 'Sitting by the roadside' – does St Mark intend this to underline exclusion, someone not on The Way?
10. As a model of discipleship how would you rate the blind man's actions?
11. 'Son of David' cries the blind man. Why doesn't Jesus try to keep this form of address quiet and performs the healing publically not quietly this time?
12. Why does Jesus get others to call him over instead of going over to him?
13. Have your circumstances held you back for a while? Is Jesus calling you to get up, leave those circumstances and come to him?
14. What does 'throwing off his cloak' as a phrase convey to you? Does it remind you of anything?
15. What do we learn about Jesus that he asks what the man wants – isn't it obvious?
16. Why does Jesus say 'Go!' – what might we have expected?
17. The word 'immediately' occurs 41 times in Mark's gospel. In terms of writing why might this be used so often?
18. Why do we need another healing story? Is this here to emphasise something else?
19. How are faith and healing related?
20. Which key verse would you choose and why?

