

# WHAT'S ON IN THE NORTHLEACH BENEFICE



## Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February

Northleach 10.30 am Holy Communion CW Ilse Ferwerda

## Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> February

Northleach	8.00 am	Holy Communion – BCP	Ilse Ferwerda
Northleach	10.30 am	Family Service	Ilse Ferwerda
Farmington	10.30 am	Matins	Serena Lancaster
Turkdean	10.30 am	Matins with Holy Communion – BCP	Michael Taylor
Cold Aston	4.00 pm	Compline	Sally Wade-Gery
Compton Abdale	6.00 pm	Darkness & Light: encouraging thoughts for a troubled world	Ilse Ferwerda
Northleach	7.00 pm	Come & Sing! Opportunity to learn new hymns & worship tonight	Ilse Ferwerda

## Welcome to Worship

A very warm welcome to everyone in church this morning, especially if you are joining us for the first time. We hope that through the words and music of this service, you will experience something of the presence of God that will help equip and sustain you for the week to come.



### For your prayer

**In your prayers this week, please pray** for the village of Compton Abdale, Residents of Market Place and the Cotswold Hall Trustees. Ruth Cotton, Camilla Trotter, Brian Hartigan, Lizzie Hall, Debbie Davies, Ron Haines, David Cotton, Patrick Couper and all others whose needs we know and who have asked for our prayers.

**A thanksgiving service for Gerald Hathaway** will take place on **Monday 19th February** at 11am in St Andrew's Church, Cold Aston. Gerald ran the shop in the village for many years with his wife Sylvia.

Then on **23<sup>rd</sup> February** at **1.30pm**, the **funeral of Rosemary Sly** will take place, also in Northleach Church. Rosemary's coffin will be brought into church at 4.30pm on the Thursday afternoon. Please pray for the families and friends of all the deceased this week.

On **26<sup>th</sup> February** at **2pm**, the **funeral of Kenneth Kench** will take place in Northleach Church,



## Church News

**Darkness and Light** is a new approach to evening worship at Compton Abdale, on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in February and March at 6pm in the Village Hall. In place of Evensong, Ilse will lead an informal service comprising a talk followed by discussion accompanied by hymns and prayers. We hope this might interest both village residents and others from across the benefice interested in exploring issues of faith together within a worship environment.

A new **confirmation course** will be organised shortly leading to the possibility of confirmation later in the year for those interested. This group is only open to people who (a) would like to consider confirmation, or (b) come from a different church tradition and would welcome the opportunity to learn about faith from the Church of England perspective. To register your interest, please talk with Ilse or David.

Information about this year's **Lent courses** is available at the back of church this morning. There is a choice of three groups meeting on different days at different times. Please take a look and sign up if you are interested

## Dates for your Diaries

**The Spring Deanery Synod, on Tuesday February 27th, is at St Peter & St Paul Church, Northleach at 7 for 7.30.** Deanery Synod brings together representatives of 60 parishes from across the north Cotswolds. All are invited to this meeting at which we will develop the work the deanery is doing to consider the future shape, needs and opportunities of rural ministry. This is also an excellent opportunity to meet other Christians in the locality and learn what they are doing in the name of Christ. Please do join us - David and Ilse.