

WHAT'S ON IN THE NORTHLEACH BENEFICE



Wednesday 7th February

Northleach	10.30 am	Holy Communion – CW	Ilse Ferwerda
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Sunday 11th February

Northleach	8.00 am	Holy Communion – BCP	David Ford
Farmington	9.00 am	Holy Communion – BCP	Ilse Ferwerda
Compton Abdale	10.00 am	Holy Communion – CW – Village Hall	+David Jennings
Cold Aston	10.30 am	Café Church	John Hollows
Northleach	10.30 am	Holy Communion – CW	David Ford
Northleach	6.30 pm	Evensong	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 Hampnett, Residents of Cirencester Road and Northleach Primary School. Ruth Cotton, Camilla Trotter, Brian Hartigan, Lizzie Hall, Debbie Davies, Ron Haines, David Cotton, and all others whose needs we know and who have asked for our prayers.



Church News

The **Black Cat** welcomes donations of good quality second hand books for its ongoing charity book sale. Please give these to Ilse or Genna at church or hand them to a member of staff in the Black Cat.

Darkness and Light is a new approach to evening worship at Compton Abdale, on the 4th 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.

The year's **Women's World Day of Prayer** service will take place in Turkdean Church at 6pm on Friday 2nd March. Any women who would like to be involved in organising the service should please contact Diana Ray on 01451 820274 or at diana@living-green.co.uk. Everyone is very welcome to attend the service.

This **Lent** there will be a choice of two Lent courses to suit different tastes and needs. Over four weeks **Taking Shape** helps us to understand how the different parts of the Bible 'fit together' to reveal the great story of God's unfolding relationship with creation and humanity. In stark contrast to our weekly lectionary readings that focus on very specific incidents from scripture, this course helps us to see the big picture of God's redeeming work. The second course, developed by Paula Gooder, is based on the **Broken** TV drama series that was broadcast last year. Paula writes: "The series focuses on the life and ministry Father Michael Kerrigan, a Roman Catholic, priest who, despite past trauma and anxiety about his own inadequacies, attempts to bring the light of Christ into the lives of the people amongst whom he ministers. The series portrays real life at its most gritty and unvarnished, and in doing so raises many questions along the way about how to live faithfully when life is very hard." Details of the groups, leaders and dates will be finalised very shortly

Dates for your Diaries

Monday 5th February - Turkdean PCC meeting at 7pm; **Black Cat Directors'** meeting in the cafe at 8pm
Tuesday 6th February - Northleach Mothers' Union AGM at 10.15 in the Church Rooms

For 'What's On' information please contact Jill Thoma 01451 860695. The Rector, The Revd David Ford may be contacted by email rector@northleach.org or telephone 01451 860452. The Curate, The Revd Ilse Ferwerda may be contacted by email curate@northleach.org 01451 861735. Both David and Ilse have their day off Thursdays. www.northleach.org