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- St. Peter and St. Paul's Barkestone St. Mary the Virgin Bottesford
- St. John the Baptist's Muston St. Peter's Redmile St. Helen's Plungar

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# Services Today: 4th November All Saints Day

8.30am	Holy Communion*	Muston
10.30am	Holy Communion	Bottesford
10.30am	Holy Communion	Redmile
3.00pm	Service of Memories	Bottesford
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#### Readings:

Revelation 21:1-7 (p.1249) & John 11:32-44 (p.1078) Service of Memories: John 11:17-37 (p.1078)

#### This Week at a Glance

#### Tuesday 6th

9.00am	Holy Communion	Bottesford
10.00am	Little Angels	Bottesford

#### Wednesday 7th

9.15am	Priory Belvoir Remembrance	Bottesiora
	Rehearsal	
7.30pm	Group Churches Meeting	Bottesford
7.3opm	Start Course	Bottesford
7.30pm	Bell Ringing	Bottesford

## Thursday 8th

7.30pm Choir Practice Bottesford

### Friday 9th

0.00am	Priory Belvoir Remembrance	Bottesford
	Service	

\*These are Book of Common Prayer services.







## Christmas Fair— Help Welcome

The Christmas Fair at St. Mary's is just three weeks away. We need the following: raffle and tombola prizes, bottles of wine, bottles of anything and willing hands for a range of jobs from setting up to running a stall. Please let Debbie or David know if you can help, do it now—do it today! No experience required—we just need enthusiasm and teamwork.

# Service of Memories

Today we welcome all those attending our Service of Memories at St. Mary's to give thanks for the life of a loved one and to seek strength and encouragement for the days to come. If you'd like to talk to someone or have someone pray with you please ask anyone involved in the service. And do please stay for refreshments if you are able to.

#### Food Bank Celebration Service

On 2<sup>nd</sup> December at St. Mary's, representatives of Grantham Foodbank will be telling the story of how your generosity helps those in need. We will also outline the details of a new partnership between the Foodbank and our churches aimed at sustaining and growing this vital work.

## Joy in a Shoebox

Spread a little Christmas joy through the Operation Christmas Child shoebox appeal. Jo Payne, Jackie Brooks and Lisa Smith have pre-assembled boxes to fill, and Jo has lists of suitable items plus suggestions as to where to obtain them locally! Do ask if you wish to compile a boxful or contribute a few items. Boxes need to be returned to the Vicarage or St. Mary's by November 18th.

## Fair Trade Christmas Hampers

The number of orders for Christmas hampers continues to rise. The hampers will be on display at St Mary's Christmas Fair on 24th November, at today's services in Bottesford and on the 18th November. You're very welcome to place an order without paying there and then, and hampers will be ready within three weeks. Please contact Jo on 843348 or email: jopayne21@gmail.com

## Visiting Author

The next meeting of our Vale of Belvoir Writing Group will be on Tuesday Nov. 13th and will feature a special guest. Local author Garry J Martin will talk about his new book Of Love and Gravity and give a few tips to our own aspiring writers too!

#### War Memorial Restored

The war memorial in St. Mary's has been cleaned and restored in time for next Sunday's services and commemorations. Our thanks go to the Parish Council, Bottesford Community Heritage Project and the Friends of St. Mary's for funding the restoration, as well as to the Skillington Workshop for their painstaking work and David Middleton for his patience and perseverance in setting the whole project in motion.



## Remembrance Sunday

There will be a full programme of events and worship to mark next week's Remembrance, including services in Plungar and Bottesford. Details of all that's going on in Bottesford can be found on the Bottesford Living History Project website. We are also delighted to be hosting a remembrance service for Priory Belvoir Academy on this Friday.

#### Parish Giving Scheme

We are still receiving responses to the launch of the Parish Giving Scheme in Bottesford. Bob Lockey, Kath Marriott or Debbie Bass- Pickin are willing to answer any questions you have or provide further information. Thanks to all those who have enquired or signed up and for all the positive comments we have received. If you wish to make a regular financial gift to any of our other churches please speak to the Vicar who will be able to provide the information you need.

## Posada - Making Room for Jesus

Once again we are sending Joseph and Mary nativity figures around our villages in Advent to encourage those hosting them to think and pray about the coming of Jesus. Each day in Advent the holy family move to a new home, encouraging folk to pause, reflect and pray and to think about the gift of hospitality. practice is based on a South American custom that uses real children. but our nativity figures are of the knitted variety! To receive Mary and Joseph for one night in December please let Jo Payne know on 01949 843348 email her or jopayne21@gmail.com

## A Prayer for those who Mourn

Lord Jesus,

you wept at the death of Lazarus whom you loved.

We pray for our friends in their loss; give courage and companionship ss they adjust to their new situation, and be with them as they grieve. Amen.

# In Our Prayers & Thanksgiving This Week...

Please continue to pray for those who are unwell, remembering particularly Jean Blow, Sheila Coe, Derek Collett, Derek Edwards, Joan Kirk, Martin Searson & John Stapleton. Give thanks for those whose health has improved and all who have received God's healing.

Pray for those who are grieving, especially those mourning the loss of George Waudby.

## **Looking Ahead**

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Mon 12	7.30pm	Bottesford PCC
	8.oopm	Barkestone Fundraising Group
Tues 13	7.30pm	Writing Group at St. Mary's
Sat 17	7.30pm	Friends Concert: Long Eaton Silver Band
Tues 20	1.30pm	Redmile PCC
Sat 24	10.00am	St. Mary's Bottesford Christmas Fair
	- 2.00pm	
Tues 27	2.30pm	Tea & Cake at St. Mary's
Wed 28	2.00pm	Bottesford Primary School Advent Service

#### December

10.00am	
-1.30pm	Muston Christmas Fair
2.00pm	Friends of St. Mary's Auction of Promises Tea
7.30pm	Barkestone PCC
7.30pm	Deanery Meeting at Waltham: What's New about
ESTERIOR	Christmas? Includes service of Communion.
9.15am	Redmile School Christmas Service
10.00am	Barkestone Café & Messy Christmas
7.30pm	Vale of Belvoir Writing Group
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## Services for Next Sunday November 11th

8.30am	Holy Communion*	Bottesford
10.30am	Service of	Bottesford
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10.45am	Service of	Plungar
	Remembrance	

If you need a lift to any of our services please contact the Vicar or our Administrator.

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# Our Midweek Prayer and Worship...

Informal morning prayer, led by whoever turns up is held each Monday at 9.00am in the Old School, Muston and on Wednesday & Thursday at 9.00am in St Mary's, Bottesford. A service of Communion is held each Tuesday at 9.00am in St. Mary's.