

# The Beck & Trent Weekly News



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There was no weekly news sheet last week as things were changing so rapidly it seemed like it might be unhelpful to put together a sheet that could be out of date a day later! On the 17th the announcement was made to suspend services and meetings for the time being and on the 24th it was announced that all Church of England churches are to close with immediate effect, including for private prayer, in an effort to help limit the transmission of the coronavirus COVID-19. We are still working out some of the practical implications of this (e.g. for funerals and weddings).

Our first virtual service for Sunday 21st March can be found online at [becktrent.org.uk](http://becktrent.org.uk) - in it Revd Mark reflects on Psalm 121 and the help we can find in the current crisis.



## Virtual Services

...will continue online - see  
<http://www.becktrent.org.uk>

## WhatsApp Prayer & Support Group

To join the group send an email to [prayer@becktrent.org.uk](mailto:prayer@becktrent.org.uk) including the words: "I want to subscribe to the Beck & Trent Parishes WhatsApp Prayer and Support group" and include your mobile number. (This will ensure that we are GDPR compliant.)

If you don't have WhatsApp you can download it to your smartphone from either the Google Play or Apple App Store - just search for WhatsApp.

"You do need to have a smartphone to run WhatsApp so I know this is not going to be a solution for everyone, but it is one way of helping those that can do so keep in touch with each other." - Mark

## Facebook

...is a good way of staying connected. If you do not have an account you can still view the Beck & Trent page online at  
<https://www.facebook.com/becktrentnotts>

## "Buddy schemes" and suchlike

Community support groups to help those who are self-isolating or social distancing due to covid-19. These are not run by the church but we are supporting the work.

For more information about the Newark - Rural North Community Support Group email  
[thebuddyscheme@outlook.com](mailto:thebuddyscheme@outlook.com)

## Psalm 121

A song of ascents.

- 1 I lift up my eyes to the mountains—  
where does my help come from?
- 2 My help comes from the Lord,  
the Maker of heaven and earth.
- 3 He will not let your foot slip—  
he who watches over you will not slumber;
- 4 indeed, he who watches over Israel  
will neither slumber nor sleep.
- 5 The Lord watches over you—  
the Lord is your shade at your right hand;
- 6 the sun will not harm you by day,  
nor the moon by night.
- 7 The Lord will keep you from all harm—  
he will watch over your life;
- 8 the Lord will watch over your coming and going  
both now and forevermore.

## The Beck & Trent Parishes

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