

Worship Services

10th March Mothering Sunday

Studley 8am Holy Communion

10am Prayer and Praise

3.30pm Messy Church - *Parish Centre*

Mappleborough 10am Holy Communion for All + children's group with gifts of flowers

Oldberrow 4pm Holy Communion



17th March

Studley 10am Opening the Bible

6pm Holy Communion - *Parish Centre*

Mappleborough 10am Café Church pastries and drinks from 9.45am

24th March Palm Sunday

Studley 8am Holy Communion

10am Worship for Everyone with pastries and drinks from 9.45am

Mappleborough 10am Holy Communion

Oldberrow 4pm Evensong

29th March Good Friday

Studley 10am Churches Together Walk of Witness - *start at the Co-Op*
2pm Good Friday Service

Mappleborough 12 noon Service at the Crosses on the Hill, hot cross buns and drinks *B807DS*

31st March Easter Sunday

Studley 6am Sunrise Communion in the churchyard (gather around the fire from 5.30am)

10am Easter Celebration Service with lots of live music & Easter egg hunt

Mappleborough 10am Holy Communion

Morton Bagot 11.15am Holy Communion

10am services in Studley church: The theme for Studley 10am services in March will be 'Journey to the Cross', looking at the events of Jesus' life, death and resurrection. Children will have their own groups for most of the service on 1st and 3rd Sundays, young people on 2nd Sundays. Contact Angela for more details about activities for children and young people.

News, information and events coming up

Mark's Gospel: a one man performance at St Nicholas Church, Alcester Saturday 9th March 7.30pm

An amazing evening of St Mark's Gospel being performed in one sitting by the very talented Matt Britton.

£2 adults, £1 children, or £5 for a family, including a drink in the interval. It is family-friendly (just the words of the actual biblical text we would hear in church) but would ideally suit children who can comfortably sit for the 90 minutes (there is an interval in the middle). Tickets are available online at

<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/alcester-minster-churches-st-nicholas-church-alcester/marks-gospel/e-pgbomy>

Easter Lilies for Mappleborough Church.

If anyone would like to purchase a Lily in remembrance of a loved one would they please let me know as soon as possible. Unfortunately the Dutch suppliers, to the florist I use, are yet to finalise the price. Last year they were approximately £6 each and they will, sadly, certainly be more expensive this year.

Please contact me for any further information.

Many thanks, Diane dianepannell@yahoo.co.uk 01527 521264

From Now On: a Lent Course on hope and redemption in 'The Greatest Showman'

This Churches Together course continues in the Methodist Church on Thursday evenings March 14th, 21st with refreshments from 7pm for a 7.30pm start. You are welcome to come to any or all of the meetings. (7th March meeting is at The Vicarage)

Maundy Thursday Communion service at Coventry Cathedral 28th March 10.30am

Everyone is welcome to gather in our cathedral to prepare to be sent out to our parishes to witness to the events of Jesus' death and resurrection over Easter weekend. (All clergy gather for this service and re-affirm their ministerial vows, as we remember Jesus washing his disciples feet.) If you would like to join us do let Kate know and we can share transport.

Maundy Thursday Supper

at the Parish Centre Thursday 28th March 7.00pm for 7.30pm Please bring your own wine or soft drinks Tickets: Adults £6.00 Children age 5 and over £2.00 available in church or from Glynn 524431 or Louise 854726

Easter Family Fun Prize Bingo

Margaret Lee has organised an Easter Family Fun Prize Bingo at The Studley Parish Centre on **Saturday 16th March from 2 till 4 o'clock**. Admission Tickets £5.00 adults and £2.50 children (who must be 8 years old, or over) this includes tea/coffee/ squash, hot cross buns and cakes during the interval. Bingo Books and Raffle tickets to be purchased on the day. All funds raised for The Air Ambulance. Contact Margaret Lee for Admission tickets

Souper Bowls 12th March

All welcome to our warm place to chat and enjoy some delicious homemade soup. Soup served from 12:00 until 1:30pm 2nd and 4th Tuesdays. At the parish church centre, Old Vicarage Gardens, Studley. No charge. Donations welcome.

Studley Dementia Café 4th April 2024

Every first Thursday of the month at the Parish Church Centre 2-4pm. A warm welcome, chat, coffee and cake.

For more information contact felicity.jones22@gmail.com or Celia: 07710198009

Church Coffee Morning on Thursday 14th March, 10.30 am at Mappleborough Green Garden Centre. All welcome.

Tea, Cake and Friendship

Come and join us for a cuppa and some company at the Parish Centre, Needle Close, Studley

Between 2.30 – 4pm

Every Monday (except bank holidays)

Job vacancy - Foodbank Campaign and Community Organiser.

Funding has been found for a person to work with all Trussell Trust foodbanks across Warwickshire helping build and deliver local campaigning strategies. The job will be based in Rugby but includes visiting other foodbanks. Home working some days is optional. If you

want further details and how to apply please contact Hilary Volrath.
Closing date for applications 21st March 2024.

Arden Marches quiz night

Saturday 13th April @ 7pm Parish Centre
£10 ticket includes a supper of filled Jacket potato and salad
Come and enjoy great fun, grand fellowship, generous food
and good fundraising!
Bring your own drinks and some cash as there will be a raffle!
Tickets available from Sunday 10th March.
For more information contact Mercia Lee
mobile: 07963 903901 email: mercia@lee24.myzen.co.uk

Men's breakfast

On Saturday 16th March 7:45 for 8:00 am
Guest speaker Adrian Lowe Having spent nearly 30 years in the retail
industry Adrian felt the call of God to serve his local church. From 2005
to 2017 Adrian worked as a full-time staff member as Team Leader. In
May 2017 he was released by the church family
to dedicate his time to serving the wider body of Christ in the town,
region and nation. Adrian is married to Marion and has two
grandchildren.
Meeting at the Kings Court Hotel
Kings coughton, nr Alcester B49 5QQ
If you are interested and haven't booked in with Phil Pattison will you
please contact Paul Nash by Wednesday 13th March
tel. 07776 301469, email: saltwaymensgroup@gmail.com

We need you:

In April we will elect new people to join the leadership committees for
our churches - please consider if you would like to serve in this way -
have a chat with people already involved to find out more - ask
someone on duty on Sundays. For Studley we need a churchwarden,
one PCC and one DCC member. For Mappleborough we need a
churchwarden, 3 PCC members and 3 DCC members.

Welcome to Arden Marches churches

We are delighted to welcome newcomers, and we hope you quickly
feel 'at home' among us. If you would like to get to know us better,
please complete a 'Keeping in Touch' form available in church and
hand it to a warden or minister. We offer a range of midweek small
groups to encourage each other in living out our Christian faith: to find
out more please speak to Kate our vicar.

Prayer

Prayer - the Powerhouse of the Church

Meeting 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month. (NB: We will not be
meeting on 3rd Thursdays in Lent)

4th April 10.00am in the Parish Centre

We will be reflecting on what God for what he is doing and praying for
the current needs and direction of our churches and community. All
are welcome.

For your prayers

*Contact Judith McLelland to add the names of people in urgent and
critical need of prayer (with their permission). People remain on the list
for 4 weeks (do contact Judith if they need to remain after this) People
with ongoing difficulties remain in our prayers even if their names no
longer appear below.*

We pray for people in particular need including: **Chris Tennant, Emilia
and Heather Wersocki**

We commend to God all who have died recently and pray for their
families: **Patricia Parsons, Ann Halford, Betty Smith, Eric Hill,
Margaret Majzub, and Raye Bird**

We remember those for whom the anniversary of their death falls at
this time: **John Heath, Laurence Hughes, Gladys Brooke, Douglas
Anderson and Barbara Jones**

Prayer for vacancies for volunteers

Please pray for: a Treasurer for Mappleborough, a Foundation
Governor for Mappleborough School, a Churchwarden for Studley
from 2024. If you are interested in one of these roles please speak to
Kate for more information.

Prayer for the week: Mothering Sunday

God of love, passionate and strong, tender and careful:
watch over us and hold us all the days of our life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Churches open for personal prayer:

Studley Church: open daily 10am-3pm
Oldberrow Church is always open.
Morton Bagot Church is usually open 10am-4pm

Parish Giving Scheme

If you wish to give regularly to one of our churches we recommend
using the Parish Giving Scheme. It is easy to set up your gift via the
website or by phone. The church postcode and name of village will
identify the church:

Studley church: B80 7AB

Mappleborough Church: B80 7DJ

Morton Bagot Church: B80 7EJ

Oldberrow Church: B95 5NU

<https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/setting-up-your-gift/>

telephone: 03330021260

Contact details

For safeguarding concerns:

Parish Safeguarding Officer: Charlotte Fitchett 07540323174

safeguarding@ardenmarches.co.uk

Diocesan safeguarding Team (24hrs) 024 7652 1345

Rector: Revd Kate Mier

3 Manor Mews, Studley B80 7PR rector@ardenmarches.co.uk
01527 852830 07894444351 *Rest day: Friday*

Church Administrator: Judith McLelland

Available 2.00pm-4.30pm Monday to Thursday

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News sheet deadline 2pm Thursday

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