

Worship Services for May

Christian Aid Week begins

11th May 6.30pm Christian Aid Week Service Studley Baptist Church

STUDLEY B80 7AB **May theme: Transforming People**
 11th May 8am Holy Communion
 10am Prayer and Praise *with DCC Commissioning*
 3.30pm Messy Church *Parish Centre*
 18th May 10am Opening the Bible
 No 6pm Communion today due to the Confirmation Service at Salford Priors
 25th May 8am Holy Communion
 10am Worship for Everyone

MAPPLEBOROUGH B80 7DJ

11th May 10am Holy Communion for All *with DCC commissioning*
 Preacher: Donna Worthington
 18th May 10am Café Church
 25th May 10am Holy Communion

OLDBERROW B95 5NU

11th May 4pm Holy Communion

MORTON BAGOT B80 7EJ

25th May 4pm Evensong

Prayer the Powerhouse of the Church

Meeting 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month, all welcome.

Next meeting is 15th May at 9.45am in Ankorn House.

Followed by refreshments at **Studley Garden Centre at 10.30 ish.** for those who want to meet socially.

Please pray for those preparing for Confirmation at St Matthew's Church in Salford Priors on **Sunday 18th May at 4.00pm: Susannah Knight, Juliette Wills, and Christine Franklin.** You are very welcome to go to the service to support them on the day.

News, information and upcoming events:

Installation of Bishop Sophie Jelley as Bishop of Coventry

Everybody is invited to welcome our new bishop Sophie at **2pm Saturday 7th June in Coventry Cathedral.** If you plan to go let Kate know and we can arrange lift sharing. You can book a place here (Or just turn up!) <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/service-of-welcome-and-installation-of-bishop-sophie-jelley-tickets-1309744885209?utm-campaign=social&utm-content=attendeeshare&utm-medium=discovery&utm-term=listing&utm-source=cp&aff=ebdsshcopyurl>

Here is a link to a message from her

<https://coventry.anglican.org/news/bishop-sophie-writes-to-the-diocese-6770.php>

The APCM for Morton Bagot and Oldberrow will be **Monday May 12th at 7pm in Oldberrow Church.** **Apologies that the wrong date was given in last week's news sheet.**

Thank you from Jan & John Parker

Dear All,

No one could hope to have better send-offs from church than we were given on the last 2 Sundays at Mappleborough and Studley. Everyone took part, even joining in when Abba turned up suddenly with "Thank you for the music". What a lovely surprise! Even better surprises were the many kind comments, the home-made piano cake, the lovely flower arrangements and the Warner Hotel vouchers!

Thank you everyone - it has been both a pleasure and privilege for us to be parts of 2 congregations for the last umpteen years. With very best wishes from Jan and John Parker

Results of elections at the APCM of Studley with Mappleborough Green

Thank you to all who attended our annual meeting, and to those elected/appointed to serve on our committees. And thank you to all who are standing down, for all you have contributed. I am particularly grateful to Phil Pattison and Linda Salsbury for being willing to continue as churchwardens for another year.

Our governance structures are quite complicated! So do ask someone for clarity if you'd like to know more. We are updating our booklet about this, it will soon be available for anyone who wants a copy. Kate.

The elected members are now (new members in bold type):

PCC: Lynda Barr, Joan Lock, Louise Grubb, Janie Stephenson, Richard Spray, Janet Green, Guy Allen, **Gladys Davies.** (PCC members are also part of their DCC)

There is 1 vacancy for a Studley PCC member & 1 Mappleborough Deanery Synod rep if anyone would like to join the PCC.

Studley DCC: Mark Herauville, Ann Chance, **Hilary Gayler, Jane Lytton, Hilary Volrath, Joanne Wills.** Secretary: Ann Bond

Mappleborough DCC: John Styler, Mark Crompton, Pat Wheeler, Tony Heslegrave, Diane Pannell, Susannah Knight, **Glynn Jones**

We have been unable to appoint a PCC Treasurer or a Mappleborough Treasurer, so the Finance Committee will be used for the PCC work, and Alan Greathead will manage Mappleborough's finances on a temporary basis.

Many thanks to Pat Smith who has been PCC treasurer for 5 years, and who will continue to handle our fees.

The new Studley with Mappleborough Green Electoral Roll is displayed at both churches for inspection. If you are not yet on the roll you can apply via the app or website or use a paper copy (available in the churches).

Christian Aid Week envelopes

Can you spare an hour or so during Christian Aid Week (11th-17th May) to deliver envelopes to homes in Studley? We only deliver envelopes – NO collection required. Please contact Lynda Barr if you are able to help.

Messy Church on Sunday 11th May at 3:30pm in the Parish Centre

All are welcome to join us for Messy Church



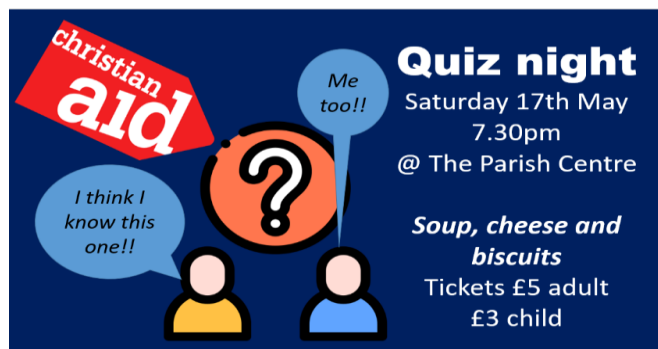
John Parker leaving Gift - thank you to all who contributed; we were able to give John and Jan a £595 gift voucher to use at Warners Hotels.



Ladies Breakfast on Saturday 10th May 9am at King Court Hotel.

Quiz Night in aid of Christian Aid on Saturday 17th May in the Parish Centre

Soup & bread, cheeses & biscuits.
Bring your own drinks – cups provided.
See Mercia for tickets or contact her on 07963 903901.



SALTWAYMEN'S
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*A Personal Invitation to the
MEN'S BREAKFAST*
OUR GUEST SPEAKER
Sean Collins

Growing up in a small fishing town and losing his father at a very young age, Sean quickly found his life turning from one violent and empty encounter to the next, just adding to the man he no longer recognised himself to be.
After a brutal attack on Sean's life, and the care and unconditional friendship of a total stranger, Sean began a remarkable journey from violence and pain to freedom and joy.

Meeting at the **THE KINGS COURT HOTEL**
Admission £12.00 KINGS COUGHTON, NR ALCESTER B49 5QQ
On Saturday 17th May 7:45 for 8:00 am

Please contact Paul Nash by Wednesday 14th May 2025
tel. 07776 301469, email: saltwaymensgroup@gmail.com

Men's Breakfast on Saturday 17th May 7.45 for 8.00 am at Kings Court Hotel.

All are welcome to come and join any of our regular groups which take place in the Parish Centre.

Tea, Cake and Friendship



Mondays 2.30-4.00pm (not bank holidays)

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

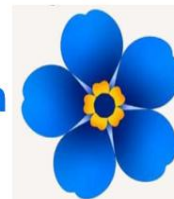
Studley Dementia Café - next meeting on 15th May

Every first and third Thursdays in the month at the Parish Church Centre 2-4pm. The first Thursday is the Dementia Cafe and the third Thursday is Singing for fun. A warm welcome, chat, coffee and cake. For more information contact

studleydementiacafe@gmail.com

or Celia: 07710198009

Studley Dementia Cafe



Souper Bowls - next meeting is 13th May

Souper bowls - every 2nd and 4th Tuesdays (except Bank Holidays) **12.00 to 1.30pm at the Parish Centre.** Min £3 donation requested.

Sunbeams

Meets Fridays 9.30-11.30 (term time)

Creative play, craft, story, songs, fun, friendship, cuppa, cake & chat. Free (give a donation if you wish). No need to book.



Welcome to Arden Marches churches

We are delighted to welcome newcomers, and 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 activities for children and youth, and a range of midweek small groups to encourage adults in living out our Christian faith: to find out more please speak to Kate our vicar.

Facebook users please 'like' and preferably add a comment to our Facebook page & posts, share them & tag people whenever you can. Thank you!

Prayer

Prayer for the week: The Fourth Sunday of Easter

Risen Christ, faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep:
teach us to hear your voice and to follow your command,
that all your people may be gathered into one flock,
to the glory of God the Father.

Funding our Future prayer

Generous Father, giver of all good gifts
we thank you for our church life and all that it means to us.
Generous Son who said it is more blessed to give than to receive
may we respond with generous hearts to the needs of our church.
Generous Spirit pour your blessings
upon the Funding our Future programme
that our church may be strengthened
for its future ministry and mission. Amen.

For your prayers

Contact Rachel Nicholas 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 Rachel if they need to remain after this) People with ongoing difficulties remain in our prayers even if their names no longer appear below.

Please pray for **Jon-James Parfitt and Sarah Freeman** to be married at **Studley Church 3pm Saturday 10th May** (rehearsal 4pm Friday 9th).

We pray for people in particular need including: **Emilia, Bob and Pearl Taylor and Heather Wersocki.**

We commend to God all who have died recently and pray for their families: **Sue Furber, Elaine Marshall, Jean Comley.**

We remember those for whom the anniversary of their death falls at this time: **Ronald Smith and Margaret Ann Attwood.**

Churches open for personal prayer:

Studley Church: open daily 10am-4pm.

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:

<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

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Rest day: Friday

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Available 9.00-11.30am Monday to Thursday News sheet items - 9am Thurs

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Facebook page: Arden Marches Churches
Oldberrow and Morton Bagot Churches
Sunbeams Parent & Toddler Group (Studley)
Arden Marches Messy Church
Facebook group: Arden Marches Church Family
Studley Dementia Café

Website: www.ardenmarches.co.uk

