

## Worship Services for December

### **STUDLEY B80 7AB**

7 <sup>th</sup> December	10am	Holy Communion	
14 <sup>th</sup> December	8am	Holy Communion	
	10am	Prayer and Praise	
	3.30pm	Messy Church Christingle	Parish Centre
21 <sup>st</sup> December	10am	Opening the Bible	
	6pm	Carol Service	
24 <sup>th</sup> December	4pm	Crib and Carol Service	
	11pm	Midnight Communion	
25 <sup>th</sup> December	10am	Christmas Day Celebration	
28 <sup>th</sup> December	10am	Worship for Everyone	

### **MAPPLEBOROUGH B80 7DJ**

7 <sup>th</sup> December	10am	Going Deeper	
14 <sup>th</sup> December	10am	Holy Communion for All	
21 <sup>st</sup> December	10am	Café Carols with drinks and pastries from 9.45am	
24 <sup>th</sup> December	4pm	Christingle	
25 <sup>th</sup> December	10am	Christmas Day Holy Communion	
28 <sup>th</sup> December	10am	Holy Communion	

### **OLDBERROW B95 5NU**

14 <sup>th</sup> December	4pm	Candlelit Carol Service	
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### **MORTON BAGOT B80 7EJ**

20 <sup>th</sup> December	3pm	Forest Church - Yule	
25 <sup>th</sup> December	10am	Christmas Day Service	

### Funerals at Studley Parish Church

Maureen Johnson on **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December at 12.00pm.**  
Barbara Turner on **Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> December at 10.00am.**

## News, information and upcoming events:

### Choir practices for Carol Service at Studley

Practice will be at the Parish Centre on **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December at 7.00pm**  
Practice will be at Studley church on **Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December at 8.00pm.**

### Community Christmas Tree Festival at Studley Methodist Church - 6<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> Dec.

For further information contact: **Anne Batchelor** [ccwstudley@outlook.com](mailto:ccwstudley@outlook.com)




### Festive Singing at Studley Castle Hotel

On **Thursdays** before Christmas, Warners have invited us to join their festive singing at **4.00pm for about 30 minutes.** Please let Hilary Volrath know if you would like to join on one or more afternoons. Please invite anyone else who might enjoy a festive sing.

### Advent Giving Day is Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> December.

As Advent begins, we invite you to join this seasonal tradition. It's a chance to thank God for His blessings and contribute to His work in the year ahead. Many people choose to set aside a gift for this season, and we're deeply grateful for every contribution. There's no expectation to give - this is simply an opportunity, if you wish, to support the life, ministry and running costs of our churches.

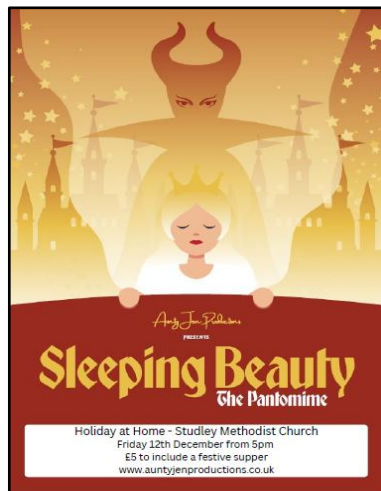
Ways to give—on Advent Sunday or throughout Advent:

-  Cash or cheque via donation plates/boxes at churches
-  Card payments (available at some churches)
-  One-off donations via the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS)

Thank you for your kindness, your prayers, and your presence.



## Sleeping Beauty Pantomime & Meal on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December from



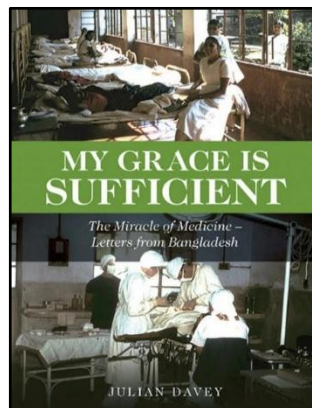
**5.00 pm at Studley Methodist Church.** Join us for a festive meal in the Community Room, followed by *Sleeping Beauty* performed by Aunt Jen Productions in the worship area, transformed into a theatre for the evening. This event is especially for those who might not otherwise attend a pantomime due to cost, mobility, or not wanting to go alone. Tickets: £5 per person please contact Mark Herauville [mark.herauville@gmail.com](mailto:mark.herauville@gmail.com) or Anne Batchelor [CCWStudley@outlook.com](mailto:CCWStudley@outlook.com).

## Church Decorating on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> December from 10.00am.

Join us at Studley Parish Church as we prepare for the festive season. All helping hands are welcome to share in the joy of decorating together. With our starry theme returning, any star decorations and greenery will be especially appreciated.

## Studley Parish Church on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December at 10.00am.

All are welcome to join us for our 'Prayer and Praise' service with Visiting Speaker Rev Dr Julian Davey who will be sharing his book 'My Grace is Sufficient'. Copies of the book will be available priced at £12.95.



**Messy Church** – Christingle Service on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December at 3.30pm in the Parish Centre. All are welcome to join us for this special Messy Church.



## Studley Churches Together – Christmas Carols

You are warmly invited to join Studley Churches Together for a series of festive carol events. Come along, sing with us, and share in the joy of Christmas while supporting our community outreach.

### **Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> December**

- Carols at Bruno's - 11.00am to 12.30pm (Outside in The Quadrant)
- Carols at Arrow Valley (Boathouse) - 2.30pm to 4.00pm (Inside The Boathouse Café)

### **Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December**

- Carols at Bumbles Café - 11.00am to 12.30pm (Inside the Café)
- Carols at Osprey House - 1.00pm to 3.00pm (Inside Osprey House)

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## **Carols & Songs at Haywood Lodge and Four Acres Care Homes on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup>**

**& Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December from 2.30-3.30pm.** Come and share the joy of Christmas through music. Join us for carols and festive songs with the residents - it is a wonderful way to bring cheer and community spirit.



**New Year's Day lunch with friends on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> January 2026,**  
**12.30pm arrival for a 1pm lunch.**

Join us for a New Year's Day Lunch! We will be serving a 3-course lunch for £10.00pp (kids under 12 half price).  
**BOOK NOW to avoid disappointment!**

**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 Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December**

Every 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month at the Parish Church Centre from 2-4pm.

1<sup>st</sup> Thursday is either entertainments or activities.

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday is Singing for Fun with Claire Fowler.

Come along and join us for a warm welcome, chat, coffee and cake. For more information contact Celia: **07759 126211** or [studleydementiacafe@gmail.com](mailto:studleydementiacafe@gmail.com)



**Souper Bowls – next meeting on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December from 12.00 to 1.30pm in the Parish Centre.** Join us for a choice of homemade soups and a chance to chat, every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday. 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. Email: [sunbeams@ardenmarches.co.uk](mailto:sunbeams@ardenmarches.co.uk)



**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 a range of midweek small groups to encourage adults in living out our Christian faith; to find out more, please speak to a churchwarden.

**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: Advent 2**

Almighty God, purify our hearts and minds, that when your Son Jesus Christ comes again as judge and saviour we may be ready to receive him, who is our Lord and our God.

**Prayer for coming weeks:**

Father, pour out your Spirit upon us, and grant us a new vision of your glory, a new experience of your power, a new faithfulness to your word, and a new consecration to your service, that your love may grow among us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Benefice Prayer Gathering - prayer: the Powerhouse of the Church**

Twice a month, on **the 1st and 3rd Thursdays**, we gather to share prayer, peace and community. Everyone is warmly invited to come along and be part of this time together.

Next meeting: **Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 9.45am in Ankorn House.**

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

**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.*

We pray for people in particular need including: **Enid Mullis, Bob and Pearl Taylor, Heather Wersocki, and all those known to us personally.**

We commend to God all who have died recently and pray for their families: **Maureen Johnson, Dudley Fowkes and Barbara Turner.**

We remember those for whom the anniversary of their death falls at this time: **Joseph Ritchie.**



## Churches open for personal prayer:

**Studley Church is now open daily 10am-3pm.**

Oldberrow Church is always open.

Morton Bagot Church is usually open 10am-4pm.

## Giving to the Church

We welcome any gift you are able to make, either as a one-off gift or to set up a standing order, using the following bank details.

Studley Parish Church Sort code: 40-43-54 A/c no: 61000861	Mappleborough Green Church Committee Sort code: 40-43-54 A/c no: 00558532
Oldberrow Parochial Church Council Sort code: 40-43-19 A/c no: 61173928	Morton Bagot Parochial Church Council Sort code: 40-43-54 A/c no: 60600547

**The Parish Giving Scheme is the best way to donate, either a one-off or regular gift. For details visit:**

<https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/home/>

or call the telephone service on 0333 002 1271, Monday to Friday, 9am - 5pm.

Studley church PGS Parish Code: <b>110611151</b>	B80 7AB <b>Coventry</b> <b>Diocese</b>	Mappleborough Church PGS Parish Code: <b>110611152</b>	B80 7DJ <b>Coventry</b> <b>Diocese</b>
Oldberrow Church PGS Parish Code: <b>110611146</b>	B95 5NU <b>Coventry</b> <b>Diocese</b>	Morton Bagot Church PGS Parish Code: <b>110611145</b>	B80 7EJ <b>Coventry</b> <b>Diocese</b>

## Contacting the church

**For safeguarding concerns:** [safeguarding@ardenmarches.co.uk](mailto:safeguarding@ardenmarches.co.uk)

Diocesan safeguarding Team (24hrs) 024 7652 1345

**Church Administrator:** Rachel Nicholas 07894 444351  
[parish@ardenmarches.co.uk](mailto:parish@ardenmarches.co.uk)

**9.00-11.30am Monday & Tuesday**

*News sheet items by 9am*

**9.00-11.30am Thursday & Friday**

*Thursday please*

**Family Link Worker:** Angela Corlett 07724 347055  
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**Anna Chaplain for older people:** Celia Spiers 07759 126211  
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**Parish Centre bookings:** Mike Moffat 07594 948534  
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**Ankorn House bookings** Linda Salsbury 07872 625006  
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**Facebook page:** Arden Marches Churches  
Oldberrow and Morton Bagot Churches  
Arden Marches Messy Church

**Facebook group:** Arden Marches Church Family  
Studley Dementia Café

**Website:** [www.ardenmarches.co.uk](http://www.ardenmarches.co.uk)

