

Worship Services for May

Theme for this week: Christian Aid

STUDLEY (St Mary's) B80 7AB

- 17th May 10am Opening the Bible
- 24th May 10am Worship for Everyone
- 31st May No service here today - Joint Holy Communion at Mappleborough Green

MAPPLEBOROUGH (Church of the Holy Ascension) B80 7DJ

- 17th May 10am Café Church with drinks and pastries from 9.45am
- 24th May 10am Holy Communion
- 31st May 10am Joint Holy Communion with Rev Dr Julian Davey

OLDBERROW (St Mary's) B95 5NU

MORTON BAGOT (Holy Trinity) B80 7EJ

- 24th May 4pm Evensong

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 21st May at 9.45am in Ankcorn House.** Followed by refreshments at **Studley Garden Centre at 10.30 am** for those who want to meet socially.

Institution and Licensing of Rev Daniel Corlett

We are pleased to announce that the Institution and Licensing of the Rev Daniel Corlett will take place at the **Church of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Studley on Tuesday 8th September 2026 at 7.00pm.** More details will follow nearer the time.

News, information and upcoming events:

Thy Kingdom Come 2026

For the 11th year, from, Ascension to Pentecost we are invited to join in Thy Kingdom Come. This year the theme is '*God with us*' fitting

beautifully with our desire to Walk Forward Together.

Click this link for details and to watch Bishop Sophie's message.

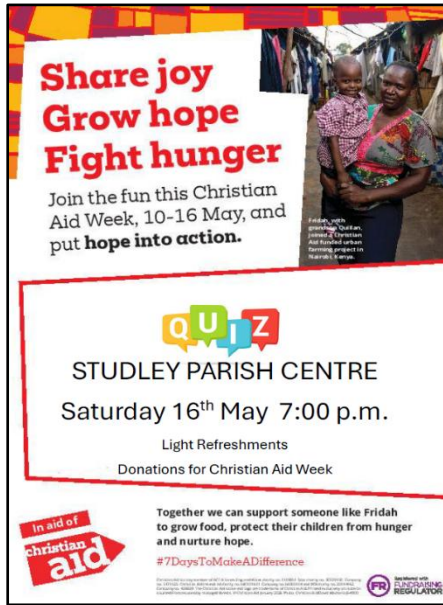
<https://coventry.anglican.org/your-faith/prayer/thy-kingdom-come-2026.php?origin=search>



Alcester Deanery Prayer Events		Thy Kingdom Come God with us 14 th -24 th May 2026	
14 THURS	ASCENSION DAY SERVICES ACROSS ALCESTER DEANERY	20 WED	10AM WOOTTON WAWEN 5PM HENLEY (ST JOHNS)
15 FRI	PRAYER STATIONS AT ST NICHOLAS HENLEY ST NICHOLAS ALCESTER LAUNCHED	21 THURS	10AM HENLEY (ST NICHOLAS)
16 SAT	2-4PM SALFORD PRIORS BICYCLE REPAIR CAFE	22 FRI	10AM BIDFORD
17 SUN	SERVICES ACROSS ALCESTER DEANERY	23 SAT	10AM SNITTERFIELD MINISTRY TO OLDER PEOPLE EVENT
18 MON	9.15AM ALCESTER 11AM SNITTERFIELD 12.15PM BEARLEY	24 SUN	PENTECOST SERVICES ACROSS ALCESTER DEANERY
19 TUES	9.30AM SALFORD PRIORS	Poetry and prayer trail at St Andrews Wilmcote from Pentecost	

Prayer Events Across the Deanery (14th - 24th May)

As part of *Thy Kingdom Come*, churches across Alcester Deanery are hosting a series of prayer events from **14th- 24th May**. There are opportunities each day to gather, pray, reflect, and join with others across our local churches - including prayer stations, services, and special community events. Please see the poster for the full programme and do come along to any of the gatherings you are able to. All are warmly welcome.



**Share joy
Grow hope
Fight hunger**

Join the fun this Christian Aid Week, 10-16 May, and put **hope into action.**

Light Refreshments
Donations for Christian Aid Week

QUIZ

STUDLEY PARISH CENTRE
Saturday 16th May 7:00 p.m.

Light Refreshments
Donations for Christian Aid Week

In aid of **Christian aid**

Together we can support someone like Fridah to grow food, protect their children from hunger and nurture hope.
#7DaysToMakeADifference

FRIDAH'S STORY: Fridah, 10, lives in a village in Kenya. Her family grows food to eat and to sell. They also grow food to sell to help pay for school fees. Fridah's family is one of the many families who are helped by Christian Aid.

Christian Aid Week Quiz - Saturday 16th May, at 7.00pm

Join us at Studley Parish Centre for a fun evening in support of Christian Aid Week. Light refreshments will be available. Donations are invited to help Christian Aid's work fighting hunger and nurturing hope.

No Children's Church at the 10.00 am service on Sunday 17th May

There will be no Children's Church at the 10.00am service in Studley on Sunday 17th May. Activities linked to the service theme, along with the usual Bible Story boxes and toys, will be available in the Children's Corner.

Wear Something Bright! Pentecost Sunday - Sunday 24th May

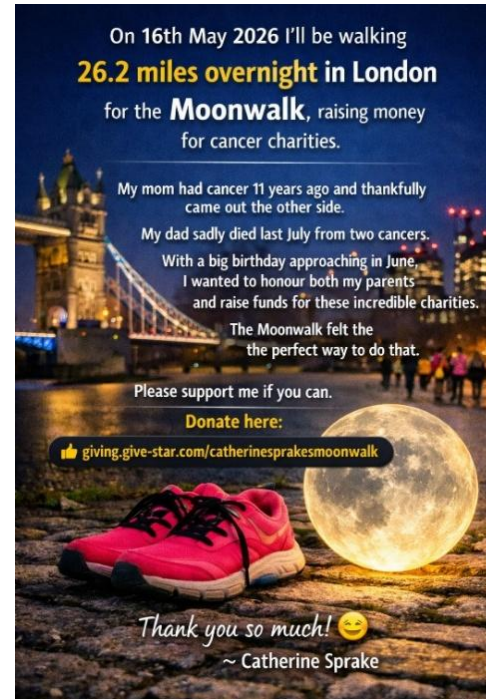
To help us celebrate Pentecost, everyone is invited (if you are able) to wear a Pentecost colour to church - especially red, orange or yellow. A simple way to join in the joy of the day as we remember the coming of the Holy Spirit.

Quiz Night - Save the Date - Saturday 5th September

We're planning a Quiz Night to support Eve Corlett before she starts her training in Scotland. Everyone is warmly invited - more details will follow, but please pop the date in your diary!

Classic Car Show - Saturday 13th June at Mappleborough Green church.

Contact Mark if you have a vehicle you would like to bring.



On 16th May 2026 I'll be walking **26.2 miles overnight in London** for the **Moonwalk**, raising money for cancer charities.

My mom had cancer 11 years ago and thankfully came out the other side.
My dad sadly died last July from two cancers.
With a big birthday approaching in June, I wanted to honour both my parents and raise funds for these incredible charities.
The Moonwalk felt the perfect way to do that.

Please support me if you can.
Donate here:
giving.give-star.com/catherinesprakesmoonwalk

Thank you so much! 😊
~ Catherine Sprake



CLASSIC CAR SHOW

Saturday, 13th June 2026
11am-2.30pm

**HOLY ASCENSION CHURCH,
MAPPLEBOROUGH GREEN B80 7DJ**

PUBLIC ADMISSION ONLY £1.00

**FOR CAR ENTRY ENQUIRIES CALL
MARK 07964 675432**

Refreshments Available
Tombola & Raffle Prizes
Local Stall holders

Moonwalk in Aid of Cancer Charities – Saturday 16th May

Please support my Moonwalk fundraising if you can:

giving.give-star.com/catherinesprakesmoonwalk

Church office contact details

Please use **07894 444351** or  parish@ardenmarches.co.uk to contact the office (Rachel) for all enquiries or visit our website <https://www.ardenmarches.co.uk/>

Parish Centre contact details

For all enquiries and bookings for the Parish Centre, please contact Mike Moffat on 07594 948534 or

 parish-centre@ardenmarches.co.uk

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 21st May.

**Studley
Dementia
Cafe**



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

1st Thursday is either entertainments or activities.

3rd 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 **Alan Greathead:**

studleydementia@cafe@gmail.com

Souper Bowls - next meeting on Tuesday 26th May from 12.00 to 1.30pm in the Parish Centre. Join us for a choice of homemade soups and a chance to chat, every 2nd and 4th 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

Welcome to Arden Marches churches

We are really glad you're here and hope you soon feel at home with us. If you'd like to stay connected or learn more about our community, you're warmly invited to complete a *Keeping in Touch* form, available in church, and pass it to a churchwarden.

We offer activities for children and a variety of midweek small groups to support adults as we grow together in living out our Christian faith. If you'd like to know more, please do speak to one of our churchwardens.

Prayer

Prayer for the week: Easter 7 – Sunday after Ascension

Risen, ascended Lord,
as we rejoice at your triumph,
fill your Church on earth with power and compassion,
that all who are estranged by sin
may find forgiveness and know your peace,
to the glory of God the Father.

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.

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: **the family of Rene Shawcroft, especially her children, sister and mum (Hilary), Chris Eldridge, Janie Stephenson, Barbara Campbell, Dave Perkins, Rob Watkins, John Parker, Bob and Pearl Taylor, and all those known to us personally.**

We commend to God all who have died recently and pray for their families: **Rene Shawcroft, Ann Crompton, Margaret Frampton, Pauline Bray and Josie Perkins.**

We remember those for whom the anniversary of their death falls at this time: **Maureen Hammond and Barbara Beaman.**

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
Idberrow 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: 110611151	B80 7AB Coventry Diocese	Mappleborough Church PGS Parish Code: 110611152	B80 7DJ Coventry Diocese
Oldberrow Church PGS Parish Code: 110611146	B95 5NU Coventry Diocese	Morton Bagot Church PGS Parish Code: 110611145	B80 7EJ Coventry Diocese

Contacting the church

For safeguarding concerns: safeguarding@ardenmarches.co.uk
 Diocesan safeguarding Team (24hrs) 024 7652 1345

Church Administrator: Rachel Nicholas 07894 444351
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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annachaplain@ardenmarches.co.uk

Parish Centre bookings: Mike Moffat 07594 948534
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Ankorn House bookings Linda Salisbury 07872 625006
ankorn-house@ardenmarches.co.uk

Facebook page: [Arden Marches Churches](#)
 (Click for links) [Oldberrow and Morton Bagot Churches](#)
[Arden Marches Messy Church](#)
[Sunbeams Baby & Toddler Group](#)

Facebook group: Arden Marches Church Family
 Studley Dementia Café

Website: www.ardenmarches.co.uk

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