

## Alleluia! Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

**Sunday 2 May open to God as we go** Acts 8:26 - end, John 15:1-8

**9.30am Zoom pre-service 10 minute prayer time** - join us to welcome God's presence and centre ourselves on God

**10.00 am** 10am Communion in Mappleborough Church livestreamed on Zoom **book a church place with Kate**

**11.30am Prayer ministry via Zoom**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6792975230> or meeting ID 679 297 5230

You can join on your landline or mobile phone by dialling 0208 080 6591 (London number – national rate applies).

Enter the conference ID (679 297 5230) and password when requested.

If you do not know the password please contact Judith, Kate or Dan

**3.30pm Messy Church** in Studley Churchyard

### Sunday worship coming up:

9th May	8am Communion in Studley Church (no need to book) 10am Zoom Christian Aid Week Service
16th May	10am Zoom Service and Families Extra - Thy Kingdom Come Global Prayer initiative 4pm Communion at Morton Bagot or Oldberrow
23rd May	8am Communion in Studley Church
Pentecost	morning - informal witness worship in small groups 4.30pm Churches Together picnic worship in Studley Churchyard
30th May	10am Communion in Studley Church livestreamed on Zoom

### Thy Kingdom Come Global Prayer initiative between Ascension and Pentecost 13th to 23rd May

This year Studley Churches Together will hold **Ascension Day** (Thursday 13th May) as a **Day of Prayer**. You can pray at home, or come to Holy Ascension Church Mappleborough. There will be a **Holy Communion service in Mappleborough Church at 9.30am Thursday 13th May**, and after that you can come and pray in church at any time until 8pm. There will also be Daily Devotional prayer booklets as in previous years, and Family Activity packs.

**If you could steward the church for an hour or more on 13th May please contact Erica Hayton 01527 455396 [ericahayton5@gmail.com](mailto:ericahayton5@gmail.com)**

### Christian Aid Week 10th-16th May 2021 Together we stop this climate crisis

The Christian Aid Week appeal remains the biggest fundraiser for this very worthwhile charity and you can do your bit to help. Studley Churches Together is planning to do a 'delivery-only' **CAW envelope drop** to as many households in the village as possible. **If you would be willing to help with this**, please contact Lynda Barr ([lyndabarr76@btinternet.com](mailto:lyndabarr76@btinternet.com) or tel: 07792 658926) or Sue Popley ([suehuff@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:suehuff@hotmail.co.uk) or tel:07717 083825).

The envelopes can be delivered at any time during Christian Aid Week and they will include information about collection points in the village. If you have a preference for the street or area where you would prefer to do the delivery, please let us know.

### Zoom Bingo social Friday 14th May 7pm

Following the fun of the Zoom Race Night, Linda Salsbury is arranging a zoom Bingo social to raise funds for Mappleborough Church. More details to follow, but put the date in your diary and **book your tickets now - £5 each** - using this link <https://arden-marches-churches.sumup.link/>



### Mappleborough churchyard tidy

We will be holding a churchyard tidying session on Saturday 15 May starting at 9.30am., to spruce the place up before a wedding the following week. Please bring tools and refreshments. Many thanks, John Styler.

**“A big thank-you** to everyone for their prayers, gifts and support while I was unwell for the last few months. I am pleased to report that I am much better and responding well to the treatment. Jane and I both really appreciated everything. Thanks” - Tony Drake

## **Water**

‘Water, water everywhere nor any drop to drink’. Will this be the cry for many more people in the next few years? Sea levels are rising, ice shelves are melting, coasts are eroding but available water for drinking, for agriculture and livestock is decreasing. Even in countries with adequate water resources, water scarcity is not uncommon. Although this may be due to a number of factors it is clear that climate change, as well as human factors, are the reasons for the increased lack of drinking water worldwide. Half of the world’s population could be living in areas facing water scarcity by as early as 2025

We have just had one of the driest April’s on record, great for walking but not so good for crops or animals. Water doesn’t seem to be in short supply in the UK today but it is a precious resource we need to conserve and using less water also means that we use less energy. Cleaning waste water is energy intensive as is heating water. How can we restrict our water usage? Here are some suggestions:

- **Turn off the tap when you brush your teeth – this can save 6 litres of water per minute.**
- **Take a shorter shower. Showers can use anything between 6 and 45 litres per minute.**
- **Always use full loads in your washing machine and dishwasher**
- **Install a water butt and water your garden with a watering can rather than a hosepipe. A hosepipe can use as much as 1,000 litres of water an hour.**



**Morton Bagot with Sernal and Oldberrow Annual Meeting 7.00pm Wednesday 5th May at Oldberrow Church**  
all welcome.

**Studley with Mappleborough Annual Meeting 7.30pm 26th May via Zoom**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85437255415?pwd=cWYzWEpZeVBlcHxNEdHREhCVmZKUT09>

Meeting ID: 854 3725 5415

Passcode: 635107

**Positions to be filled:** Please pray and consider who might stand for the following vacancies: Studley: 2 DCC members, 1 PCC member, 2 Deanery Synod members. Mappleborough: 2 DCC and 2 PCC members, and 1 Deanery Synod member. More info about these roles from the clergy or churchwardens.

**Electoral Roll:** We update this every year before the Annual Meeting. If you are not already on the Roll, feel that St Mary's or Holy Ascension Churches are your spiritual home and you wish to be added, please download an application form <https://www.ardenmarches.co.uk/news/2021/04/electoral-roll-forms/> or collect a form from the church porch after Tuesday 27 April 2021. (To check if you are on the Roll already, please contact Judith McLelland or Linda Salisbury). Please return the completed form - electronic scan or paper - to Judith at the Church Office by 5th May.

## **PRAYER**

**Breakfast-time Prayer for our community, Tuesday 4th May 7am, on Zoom**

If you want to see our local area transformed by and for Jesus, join us in prayer, first Tuesday of every month. Bring a cuppa or your whole breakfast!

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84915271155?pwd=N3VwU21pZHlYlZ4dXpNdzNlWmtYQT09>

Meeting ID: 849 1527 1155

Passcode: 236002

**Daily Prayer:** weekdays 9.30am and 9.30pm on Arden Marches Churches Facebook page.

From 4th May we will use the reflections provided for Christian Aid Week, and from 13th May we will use those provided for Thy Kingdom Come. You can download these from the relevant websites, or we have some paper copies available - just ask Judith McLelland or pick them up from a church when it is open.

**We are reviewing our Facebook daily prayer provision - visit our Facebook Page and respond to our questionnaire to contribute your views about future provision.**

### **Churches open for personal prayer:**

Oldberrow Church is always open for personal prayer

Mappleborough Church: Wednesdays 11am-12pm (not 12th May)

Studley Church: Thursdays 11am-12pm (not 13th May)

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### **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)

We pray for people in particular need including: **Pearl Taylor, Sue Boraston, Barbara Beaman, Melissa Lammas, Val Greathead, and Sue Ludlow**

We commend to God all who have died recently and pray for their families, including: **Brian Harman, Phyllis Jones, Colin Fyles and Graham McKenzie**

We remember those for whom the anniversary of their death falls at this time: **James Wilmot, Alan Harrison, Adam Rose and Anthony Gardiner**

### **Prayer for the week**

Risen Christ, your wounds declare your love for the world

and the wonder of your risen life:

give us compassion and courage to risk ourselves for those we serve,  
to the glory of God the Father.

### **Making a donation to our churches**

	Sort Code	Account
Studley Parish Church	40-43-54	61000861
Mappleborough Green Church Committee	40-43-54	00558532
Morton Bagot PCC	40-43-54	60600547
Oldberrow PCC	40-43-19	61173928

Thank you so much to the many people who are continuing to support us financially. You can make a donation anytime using a bank card by phoning Dan Corlett, or by electronic bank transfer (please include your name as the reference for Gift Aid purposes)

To give by cheque, use the church name as in this table, and send the cheque to The Vicarage or pass it directly to the

treasurer. Cash donations may be taken to The Vicarage.

Please consider giving regularly to our church using the Parish Giving Scheme (info from Judith)

### **Contact details:**

**Rector: Revd Kate Mier**

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

**Curate: Revd Dan Corlett**

curate@ardenmarches.co.uk 07543 370637 Rest day: Monday – CHANGING TO SATURDAY FROM 24<sup>th</sup> April

### **For safeguarding concerns:**

**Parish Safeguarding Officer, Kay Middleton** 07867492938

Diocesan safeguarding Team (24hrs) 024 7652 1345

**Church Administrator: Judith McLelland**

Available 2.00pm-4.30pm Monday to Thursday parish@ardenmarches.co.uk 01527 850130

News sheet deadline 2pm Thursday

Our website is [www.ardenmarches.co.uk](http://www.ardenmarches.co.uk)