



The days between Ascension and Pentecost are a time to pray for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit in our lives and our communities, and for more people to come to know Jesus Christ. We pray with Christians all around the world: **Thy Kingdom Come.**

Pentecost Sunday 23rd May

8.00am Holy Communion in Studley Church

Instead of gathering at 10am for worship - **go out** (as the first disciples did after receiving the Holy Spirit at Pentecost) - out into the community or countryside or cafe; invite others to join you; invite the Holy Spirit to join you; enjoy yourselves and thank God; notice the people around you; notice God around you; pray into what you notice.



4.30pm Churches Together Picnic Praise for Pentecost in Studley Churchyard

Bring your own picnic, chairs (and brollies?). Chairs will be available for those who need them.

We shall say fare-well to the Ayton family who will be moving to Coventry over the summer for Jacque's curacy.

Sunday worship coming up:

30th May	10am Holy Communion in Studley Church livestreamed on Zoom
6th June	10am Holy Communion in Mappleborough Church livestreamed 3.30pm Messy Church in the Parish Centre
13th June	8am Holy Communion in Studley Church 10am Zoom service
20th June	10am Zoom service 4pm Holy Communion at Morton Bagot Church
27th June	10am Holy Communion in Studley Church

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

Thank you to everyone who has taken part in this by giving, praying and acting. It has been a great week.

May's eco challenge: 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.**

Studley with Mappleborough Green Annual Parochial Church Meeting via Zoom - contact Judith or clergy for login info 7.30pm Wednesday 26th May. The Annual Report is available on our website.

The Children's Society

Many thanks to all our generous Studley Box Holders who contributed £397.50 to our annual box collection, despite a shortage of cash this last year. If you would like a box for your spare change to help fund the society in supporting vulnerable children and young people, please contact your local box co-ordinator 01527 857818 Many thanks, Ursula Lowe

PRAYER

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

Churches open for personal prayer:

Oldberrow Church is always open for personal prayer

Mappleborough Church: Wednesdays 11am-12pm

Studley Church: Thursdays 11am-12pm

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: **Kate Crawford, Janet Blundell, John Evans, Lynda Holmes, Charlie, Melissa Lammass, Val Greathead, and Sue Ludlow**

We commend to God all who have died recently and pray for their families, including: **Arthur Tostevin and Graham McKenzie**

We remember those for whom the anniversary of their death falls at this time: **Marion Rehring, Dave Schindler, Beatrice Hill and Bruce Storey-Day**

Prayer for the week

Holy Spirit, sent by the Father, ignite in us your holy fire;
strengthen your children with the gift of faith,
revive your Church with the breath of love, and renew the face of the earth,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Making a donation to our churches

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)

	Sort Code	Account
Studley Parish Church	40-43-54	61000861
Tower Repairs	40-43-54	11201239
Mappleborough Green Church Committee	40-43-54	00558532
Morton Bagot PCC	40-43-54	60600547
Oldberrow PCC	40-43-19	61173928

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: Saturday*

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

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