

July Sunday series: relying on God in the big challenges of life

Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding;
in all your ways submit to him, and he will direct your paths. *Proverbs Chapter 3 verse 5*

18th July

10am Holy Communion in Studley and on Zoom: relying on God in bereavement

during the service we will read out the names of people we wish to remember - if you would like someone's name read out please contact [Kate Mier](#)

<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, Dan or Kate

4pm a short open air service in Oldberrow Churchyard to celebrate the wonders of creation as part of the Oldberrow wildflower festival afternoon 2.30—4.30pm on Sunday 18th July.

Come and join us for tea and cake in the churchyard and have a chance to admire the biodiversity of fauna and flora in this exceptional churchyard — a Local Wildlife Site

Relaxation of Covid restrictions - how does it affect worship in church?

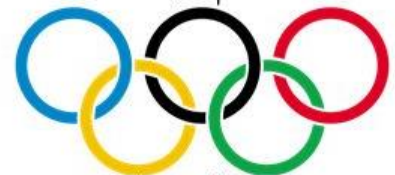
The Church of England is consulting the government about this and will issue new guidelines for us soon. On 25th July we will continue to encourage wearing of masks and social distancing in church. In next week's news sheet we will offer guidance about services in August. I (Kate) think we need to be a bit cautious and be considerate of those who wish to be more cautious, while also enabling some congregational singing. More news next week!

Sunday worship coming up:

25th July	10am Zoom service: confronting poverty - with Amasango School update 4.00pm Holy Communion at Morton Bagot Church
1st August	10am Communion at Mappleborough Church 10am Diocesan service on our Facebook page 3.30pm Messy Church in Studley Churchyard
8th August	8am Communion at Studley Church 10am Zoom worship 4pm Evensong at Oldberrow Church
15th August	10am Communion at Studley Church and zoom
22nd August	10am Communion at Mappleborough Church 10am Diocesan service on our Facebook page
29th August	8am Communion at Studley Church
5th Sunday	let's go out into the community in the morning 4-8pm Mappleborough Mini-Fest in the church grounds. BYO picnic and seats, chill with music, short optional service in church at 6pm



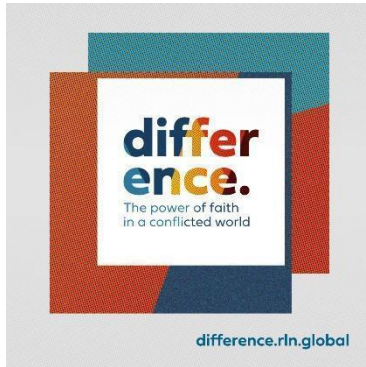
Do join us on Sunday August 1st
from 3.30pm
in Studley Churchyard
for Olympic themed games
and a picnic



More details to follow on Facebook
Please book via
ardenmarches.co.uk/messy

During August we will continue to have an in-church service of Holy Communion each week, plus an online option. The worship diet is a bit more limited than recently because of holidays. In September we hope to have a 10am service in both Studley and Mappleborough churches each Sunday, and an online option too.

Baptism invitation: Thomas and Chloe Fincham would like to invite members of the congregations to join them for the baptism of Edward at 12.30pm on Sunday 25th July in Studley Church, and afterwards at the Parish Centre. If you plan to attend please let Kate know.



Difference - a course to help us handle differences well from a Christian perspective - something that is relevant to us all: 5 evenings 7.30-9.00pm over the summer weeks:

- Thursday 22 July,
- Wednesday 28 July
- Thursday 19 August
- Thursday 26 August
- Wednesday 1 September

If you would like to take part please let **Kate** know.

Life Groups for Studley

If you are in our Studley congregation, you should have received an email about new Life Groups which will be gearing up over the summer and starting in earnest in September.

If you would like to be part of a small group meeting socially, for prayer, to study the bible and to encourage one another, then please respond as soon as you can. If you haven't received the email, please contact Dan for more information.

Eco Church

This month we're thinking about transport, which contributes to nearly a third of all greenhouse gas emissions. Each week we have one suggestion for you, but if you want more ideas, why not sign up to Giki Zero (online or app). There's also a bible passage and a hint - have a read and pray - how might this help you see the challenge differently?

Week 3 - Pay to offset your travel carbon. It's not perfect, but it makes a difference. There are lots of providers who will plant trees or invest in carbon-reducing technology. You tell them how far you travel and what kind of car or transport you use and they give you a personal bill. Consider it part of the (fair) price of fuel, not a tax. Deuteronomy 24:19-22 (Margin).



Studley DCC (the church council), which meets six times a year, is looking for a minute-taker/secretary.

If you might be willing to serve in this capacity, please contact Dan in the first instance.

Mappleborough Green Many thanks to everyone who has returned their small change tubs recently - the total amount received so far has been £194. So as you can see, collecting your small change for the work of the church is very worthwhile and, despite our banking issues, we are still encouraging you to continue. Erica

PRAYER

Daily Prayer: weekdays **9.00am** and **9.30pm** on Arden Marches Churches Facebook page.

Thank you to everyone who responded to our recent survey about online daily prayer. We have decided to continue with morning and evening prayer on weekdays, but to start Morning Prayer slightly earlier at 9.00am.

Churches open for personal prayer:

Oldberrow Church is always open

Morton Bagot Church is open during the day

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: **Ross Cruickshank, Enid Thomas, Carole Holt, Lynda Holmes, Nestor Obedencio, Melissa Lammas, Val Greathead and Sue Ludlow**

We commend to God all who have died recently and pray for their families, including: **Gladys Davis**

We remember those for whom the anniversary of their death falls at this time: None this week

Prayer for the week

Generous God, you give us gifts and make them grow:
though our faith is small as mustard seed,
make it grow to your glory and the flourishing of your kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Making a donation to our churches

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Studley Parish Church	40-43-54	61000861
Tower Repairs Studley Parish Church Fabric	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

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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)

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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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