

**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*

**25th July****10am Zoom service: confronting poverty - with Amasango School update**

<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

**12.30pm Baptism of Edward Fincham in Studley Church** all welcome

**4.00pm Holy Communion at Morton Bagot Church**

**Relaxation of Covid restrictions - how does it affect worship in church? Let's continue to consider and protect each other: hands, face, space**

Following recent CofE and Diocesan guidance, and DCC/PCC discussion, we recommend that we continue to worship in church following the guidelines we have been using until now until further notice - wearing masks, sanitising hands, doing Holy Communion as we have been doing, keeping doors open etc. If you wish to not wear a mask we can designate a separated section of seating for you.

We recommend using every other pew for seating with no restrictions on how many people sit in a pew - taking care to respect each other's wishes about personal space, and to not sit next to someone without enquiring first.

At present we plan to sing gently behind masks at Mappleborough on 1st August.

**Sunday worship coming up:**

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.

1st August	10am Communion at Mappleborough Church 10am Diocesan 'Summer Singing' online service 3.30pm Messy Church in Studley Churchyard - everyone is invited - see below
8th August	8am Communion at Studley Church 10am Zoom worship 4pm Evensong at Oldberrow Church
15th August	10am Communion at Studley Church and via Zoom
22nd August	10am Communion at Mappleborough Church 10am Diocesan 'Summer Singing' online service
29th August	8am Communion at Studley Church
5th Sunday	let's go out into the community in the morning 4-8pm <b>Mappleborough Mini-Fest</b> in the church grounds. Everyone is welcome - let's gather from all our congregations. BYO picnic and seats, drinks available, free play for children, live and recorded music, short optional service in church at 6pm



**Everyone** is invited to the next **Messy Church** on Sunday 1st August at 3.30pm in Studley churchyard whether or not you have children!  
Bring a picnic and enjoy some Olympic themed games. It's a chance to meet and greet friends old and new.  
And maybe take home a medal...

### **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 4 - If you're planning next year's holiday, think twice about flying or cruising. If you have to go, ask your travel agent about including a carbon offset (or tick the option online). Proverbs 16:8 (Justice).



### **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

### **Oldberrow**

Heartfelt thanks to all those visitors, helpers, artists, clergy, ecologists, flower arrangers, tea servers and cake makers who turned out in the blazing heat to support the wildflower open day at Oldberrow on Sunday. We were overwhelmed by the number of people who supported the afternoon – some of them even foregoing the golf 'open' and the cricket. It was a great success. Thank you.  
David and Jane O'Dell

### **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: Wednesday 28th July 11am-12pm.

**NB this will be the final time that Mappleborough Church is open for private prayer on a Wednesday**

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, Melissa Lammas, Val Greathead and Sue Ludlow**

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

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

#### **Prayer for the week**

Lord God, your Son left the riches of heaven  
and became poor for our sake:

when we prosper save us from pride, when we are needy save us from despair,  
that we may trust in you alone; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

	Sort Code	Account
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

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)

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*News sheet deadline 2pm Thursday*

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