

**22nd August**

**10am Holy Communion at Mappleborough Church**

**10am Diocesan 'Summer Singing' online service**

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**Sunday 29th August**

**8am Holy Communion at Studley Church**

Our new pattern on 5th Sundays is to not have 10am services, but to spend the morning out and about in the community, and then gather all together for a celebration in the afternoon.

This month's celebration is the **Mappleborough Mini-Fest 4-8pm**. Do come, and bring family, friends and neighbours.

We will be setting up for the Mini-Fest from **9.30am on Sunday morning** - volunteers from all our congregations are invited to help - if you plan to come please let Charlotte Fitchett know.

Other ideas for the morning: meet up with others for brunch, or a walk - and look around - notice the people around you, imagine what life holds for them, pray for them. You might even pray for an opportunity to speak with them about faith, or offer to pray for something that concerns someone.

Go and watch (or join in!?) with Studley's annual **wheelbarrow race**.

**Sunday 29th August 4-8pm Mappleborough Mini-Fest** for all the Arden Marches Churches in the church grounds. BBQ and bar (cash only) (or BYO picnic), bouncy castle, children's games, face painting, live and recorded music, raffle, **short optional service in church at 6pm**, relaxed festival vibe, bring something to sit on. Adults, children and well-behaved dogs welcome!



**Sunday worship in September**

There will be 10am services every Sunday in both Studley and Mappleborough churches, one of which will be livestreamed online. More information in next week's news sheet.

**Vicarage garden social: Wednesday 25th August from 7pm (cancelled if it rains)**

All are invited to 3 Manor Mews garden for an informal get together - please just come along and bring either a small contribution of something to nibble or something to drink.



We plan to restart **CentrePoint** this Autumn. We expect it to look similar to the pre-lockdown CentrePoint, but with a stronger emphasis on attracting people from beyond the current church family. In order to do this, we would like to build up a team of people who will variously cover a number of roles such as setting up, catering, and welcoming as well as standing at the front! If you would like to be involved (or just want more information),

please contact Keith (johnson\_hunt\_end@hotmail.com or 01527544830).

**Parish Centre**

As from 1 September 2021 Tony Drake will be stepping down and Mike Moffat will be taking over as the Parish Centre Co-ordinator dealing with bookings and liaising with the users and the maintenance team on behalf of the DCC. The new contact details for bookings etc are: For bookings and enquiries :

Phone: 07594 948534

or

Email: [parish-centre@ardenmarches.co.uk](mailto:parish-centre@ardenmarches.co.uk)

We wish to thank Tony aided by Jane for the excellent job that they have done over the last two 9 years or so. We wish Mike well and thank him for taking on this role.

## **Ride & Stride Saturday 11th September**

Get out your bike, dust off your helmet, and join Kate to cycle to as many local churches as we can manage to raise funds for Coventry and Warks Historic Churches and for our own church buildings.

## **Eco Church**

**Great news! Oldberrow Church is the first of our four churches to be awarded Eco Church Bronze.** Across a range of criteria (buildings, land, lifestyle, community engagement) the church has met the standard for Bronze accreditation and is now working its way towards silver. Well done to Jane and David O'Dell and all involved. Our other churches aren't far behind.



### **Some more odds and ends**

Avoiding or eating fewer meat and dairy products is one of the biggest ways to reduce your environmental impact, and a high-fibre, plant-based diet is also better for your health - so it can be a win-win. The carbon footprint of one cheeseburger is equivalent to 9x falafel and pitta or 6x fish and chips! Transport accounts for a quarter of UK greenhouse gas emissions. Instead of getting in the car, think about walking or cycling –there's physical and mental health benefits, and money saved. For longer journeys, try to use public transport, or car sharing schemes.

Plant trees, or create ponds, both of which capture carbon. Don't use peat as compost – good peat bogs can store even more carbon than trees, and keep it there for longer, as well as helping to prevent flooding.

Find out where your money goes. Voice your concerns about responsible investment by writing to your bank or pension provider, and ask if you can opt out of funds investing in fossil fuels. Investigate using ethical banks.



**Living in Love and Faith** is a major initiative by the Church of England, led by the Bishop of Coventry, to help the whole church explore Christian teaching and learning about identity, sexuality, relationships and marriage. As a starting point Alcester Deanery is running a Zoom course to explore the resources over 5 Thursdays starting on 2nd September at 7 for 7.15pm. Contact Revd Alison Hampton at [churchesofardenrev@gmail.com](mailto:churchesofardenrev@gmail.com) to find out more or to book your place.

**Great is thy faithfulness 12pm Saturday 25th September at Coventry Cathedral:** take a picnic and join with the whole diocesan family to explore and reflect on God's faithfulness in extraordinarily challenging times. Holy Communion at 2.30pm. <https://www.coventry.anglican.org/your-faith/great-is-thy-faithfulness/>

## **Bob Kinnersley**

Bob's funeral will be at Redditch Crematorium on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> August at 11.45am

## **PRAYER**

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

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

Studley Church: open Tuesday to Thursday, Saturday and Sunday 10am-4pm

Oldberrow Church is always open

Morton Bagot Church is usually open 10am-4pm

Mappleborough Church is not open midweek at present

## **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, Rosemary Lonegon, Lynda Holmes, Melissa Lammas, Val Greatehead and Sue Ludlow**

We commend to God all who have died recently and pray for their families, including: **Robert Kinnersley and Christine Johnstone**

We remember those for whom the anniversary of their death falls at this time: **Jim Dyer, Doreen Latham and Jacob Hill**

**Prayer for the week**

God of constant mercy, who sent your Son to save us:  
remind us of your goodness, increase your grace within us,  
that our thankfulness may grow, 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)

**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 Kim Harwood** 07951646217

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*

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