

**Sunday 12th September**

8.00am Studley: Holy Communion  
 10.00am Studley: Morning Worship with livestream to YouTube:  
<https://www.ardenmarches.co.uk/church-online/>  
 10.00am Mappleborough: Holy Communion  
 12.30pm Studley: baptism of Ernie Fox  
 3.30pm Parish Centre: Messy Church  
 4.00pm Morton Bagot: Harvest Festival

**Sunday worship in September**

We continue to encourage everyone who can to wear masks, social distance, and sanitise hands

**19th Back to Church Sunday**

*Studley* 10am Morning Worship (livestreamed)  
 6pm Holy Communion, Parish Centre  
*(as we can't yet return to Four Acres)*  
*Mappleborough* 10am All Age Worship

**26th**

*Studley* 8am Holy Communion  
 10am Harvest Festival (livestreamed)  
*Mappleborough* 10am Harvest Festival  
*Oldberrow* 4pm Holy Communion

**Arden Marches Autumn Concert starring Rob Halligan**

**7.30pm Saturday 16th October** in Mappleborough Village Hall.  
 Tickets £5 from Judith at the Church Office.  
 Profits for International Cross of Nails School Amasango in South Africa.

**Eco Church**

This is the month of harvest festivals in our churches and when in this country, many of our crops are brought in and stored for the year ahead. Doing right by the environment is hard with food. The equations aren't as simple as we'd like. For example, some foods that travel a long way create less CO2 in total than those made less efficiently but locally. Whilst many meat alternatives may produce less CO2, they may take up much more fresh water, or cause virgin forest or wetlands to be cleared. But in general terms, we should all try to:

- reduce waste to zero (this is the highest impact thing we can do) by planning, freezing, and checking the fridge contents regularly
- eat less meat, instead buying the highest welfare product we can
- check labels and buy UK-grown produce wherever possible (e.g. choosing a British apple over an imported one, or waiting for the right season to buy our favourite fruit and veg
- refuse to buy produce with high levels of packaging



**Volunteering opportunities in our churches and grounds:**

**Mappleborough Green**

There will be a working party cleaning and putting the chairs and cushions back into the nave, and cleaning the Lady Chapel, on **Wednesday 15th Sept at 9.30** - any help would be welcome.

**Green Fingers Gardening Group**

As a new community outreach, we would like to invite volunteers to join a small Gardening Group within the Parish of Mappleborough Green. As discussions for this venture are in their infancy, our initial activity will be Spring bulb planting around the Holy Ascension Church grounds. If you know of any budding new 'wanna-be' gardeners or old hands with time available to help, we would welcome your support on **Saturday, 2 October 2021 from 9.30am at Holy Ascension Church**. If you are able to take part please bring gardening gloves, trowels, bulb planters and kneelers or just bring yourself, as there will be available spare equipment. If you want to know more about the development of this Gardening Group please contact: Linda Salisbury 07872 625006 or John Styler 07584 160578

**Studley Church** is currently open Tuesday to Thursday and at the weekend which is appreciated by the local community and visitors alike. We have sufficient volunteers to open the Church, but **we need help locking up on Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays**. If you don't feel that you can commit to lock up every week but are willing to do so occasionally that would be helpful. We are also looking for volunteers to help **decorate the church on Saturday 25 September for our Harvest Service**.

If you can help or for more information, please contact Phil Pattison tel no. 07565 244295 or email : [studley-churchwarden@ardenmarches.co.uk](mailto:studley-churchwarden@ardenmarches.co.uk)

**Studley Flower rota** Now that weekly services are resumed in Studley church and it is open daily for visitors we would like to ensure that there are flowers in the church, at least on the shelf behind the far altar. If you could help by providing flowers once or twice a year please could you let Phil Pattison or Hilary Volrath know. No volunteers, no flowers!

**Studley Churchyard**

Thanks to generous donations the churchyard in Studley has had a really big annual cut this year. The areas we are managing to develop wildflowers and encourage wildlife are cut annually after the flowers have seeded to help develop diversity and increase the number of wildflowers. Cutting most areas in August encourages summer flowers whilst the areas that have spring flowers are cut earlier in the year. The large white umbrells of hogweed have been very dominant this year but there have also been many other flowers. In a survey carried out in July at least thirteen different varieties of flowers were found. Next month we will be planting some yellow rattle seed to help suppress the grass and promote flowers. The churchyard is managed so that it provides areas for wildlife and grassy spaces for people to mix and chat in. It is maintained by a group of volunteers who have been meeting for some years on the first Saturday morning of each month.

Our numbers are declining and **to maintain the churchyard to at least our current standard we need more volunteers. Could you help?** If you want to know more contact Dan Corlett, Tony Drake or Hilary Volrath. If you would like to help maintain the garden of remembrance, please see Wendy Foster.

#### **'Breathing Space', a mental wellbeing facility at the Parish Centre**

We have been awarded funding by Warwickshire County Council's Covid-19 Recovery Fund to convert the Jaffray Room at the Parish Centre into a wellbeing room to be used either alongside existing activities, or to offer additional counselling and 'safe haven' opportunities in the community. We are looking for people with lived experience of mental wellbeing needs to help design the space. Please let Dan know (in confidence) if you would like to be part of this.

**Ride & Stride** On Saturday 11th Kate is cycling to as many churches as she can - to raise funds for Warks Historic Churches trust. 50% of sponsorship money comes back to Arden Marches Churches. To sponsor her click <https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/fundraiser-portal/fundraiserPage?pageId=1308693&newPage=true>

**equiphub.org.uk** Our diocese has launched a learning hub with all sorts of good courses and resources on it. Some are free. The modules that normally cost £25 are reduced to £15 with this code: £15-BCDM-Course  
Coming up soon is **Everyday faith at rest** Monday 27th September, 7.30-9pm on Zoom  
In a culture where we admire busyness, how do we take time to rest? Read more and register here...  
<https://www.equiphub.org.uk/courses-events-resources/everyday-faith-at-rest-monday-27th-september-7-30pm/>

#### **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

#### **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: **Gillian Wilmot, Ross Cruickshank, Beatrice Collingwood, Rosemary Lonegon, Lynda Holmes, Melissa Lammis, Val Greathead and Sue Ludlow**

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

We remember those for whom the anniversary of their death falls at this time: **Richard Armstrong**

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

Lord God, defend your Church from all false teaching and give to your people knowledge of your truth, that we may enjoy eternal life in 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**

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##### **Curate: Revd Dan Corlett**

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##### **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

##### **Parish Centre bookings: Mike Moffat**

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