

Sunday 26th September HARVEST FESTIVAL

Studley 8am Holy Communion
10am Harvest Worship
livestream <https://www.ardenmarches.co.uk/church-online/>
12.30pm Baptism of Hali
Mappleborough 10am Harvest Holy Communion
Oldberrow 4pm Holy Communion

Harvest Gifts

This year we are supporting Christian Aid with gifts of money or our Foodbank with dry goods. See our Facebook page Harvest poster for list of Foodbank needs. Gifts for Christian Aid can be brought to church or you can give online:

www.justgiving.com/fundraising/arden-marches-churches

Sunday worship coming up

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

3rd October

Studley 10am Holy Communion
Mappleborough 10am Morning Worship

10th October

Studley 8am Holy Communion
10am Sunday Worship
3.30pm Messy Church at the Parish Centre

Mappleborough 10am Holy Communion
Oldberrow 4pm Evensong

17th October St Luke

Studley 10am Sunday Worship
6pm Holy Communion at the Parish Centre

Mappleborough 10am All Age Celebration
Morton Bagot 4pm Holy Communion

24th October Bible Sunday

Studley 10am Sunday Worship
Mappleborough 10am Holy Communion
Morton Bagot 4pm Holy Communion

31st October All Souls

Studley 8am Holy Communion
Studley & Mappleborough 3-5pm time to remember

31st October: On this 5th Sunday in Creation Season let's get together out and about in the morning and **do something to care for the creation**. From 3 to 5pm there will be rolling **All Souls** services in both Studley and Mappleborough churches: **time to remember** together, with God, those we love who have died. Come when you wish and leave when you are ready. More details to follow.

Decorating Studley Church for Harvest - Help needed!

We will be decorating the church for Harvest on Friday 24 September at 10.30am. Flowers in vases and/or a small amount of vegetables, fruit and greenery for decoration would be welcome. For more information please contact Rosemary Tostevin or just turn up on the day.

Mappleborough Green Appeal

The church boiler is no longer operable, and the DCC have approved its replacement which will be completed by the end of October (please note that there will be no heating before

then). Along with associated works to the sump pump and controls, the cost will be £15000 – so soon after the completion of the vestry project, this is a lot of money for us to find. Meanwhile Eco Church and the DCC would like to install a rainwater diverter on one of the downpipes on the north side of the church, to fill one or two water butts. Because the downpipes are square-section and aluminium, the diverter has to come from a specialist supplier, and the total cost will be approx. £500. The DCC have not approved this expenditure, but would go ahead if some of our parishioners were willing to make a donation towards the cost. If you are able to make contributions to either of these projects, please contact Erica.

Mappleborough Green

Many thanks to everyone who helped move the rest of the chairs out of the Lady Chapel and back into the nave, and then clean all 70! It was a marathon effort, but worth it as the church is now looking more as we all love and remember it.

Arden Marches Autumn Concert starring Rob Halligan

7.30pm Saturday 16th October in Mappleborough Village Hall. Tickets £5 from Glynn Jones, Lynn Gilbert or Judith at the Church Office (credit card payments can be made via Judith). Profits to Amasango International Cross of Nails School South Africa.

Alpha Course

on Zoom
Tuesday evenings
7.30pm from 26 October: a



chance to explore life and Christian faith in a friendly, open and informal environment. This is our first online Alpha Course - you are invited to come yourself and/or to bring a friend to the first session and see what you think. Numbers are limited, so contact Kate if you are interested.

Eco Church

"and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces that were left over"- Matt 14:20
Jesus had just done a miracle of superabundance: feeding 5,000 men plus their families. God's pattern is to give good gifts, and to do so lavishly. But also, Jesus says, "to whom much is given, much will be required" - Luke 12:48. When we have plenty (food, money, time, skills, and above all, our salvation) then we are expected to steward these well.

The disciples could have just left the food to biodegrade on the hillside, and trust that Jesus would supply when they were next hungry. But no, the good gift was not to be wasted. The green



revolution and the Common Agricultural Policy have given us a superabundance of cheap food (approx. 10% of household spend,

compared with 50% in most of history and across much of the world today), but instead of becoming better stewards, we have squandered this opportunity to see the world well fed and sustainably farmed. How will we steward our good gifts this week?

Volunteering opportunities in our churches and grounds:

(more info in last weeks news sheet)

Mappleborough Green Fingers Gardening Group

Join us to plant spring bulbs in Mappleborough churchyard:

Saturday, 2nd October 2021 from 9.30am. More info from Linda Salsbury 07872 625006 or John Styler 07584 160578

Studley Church locking up: contact Phil Pattison if you could lock up on **Thursdays, Saturdays, and Sundays.** Regular or occasional help welcome.

Studley Churchyard: we are seeking volunteers to help manage the grounds.

Ride & Stride Thank you to everyone who donated so generously - we raised £270.

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

Bishop Christopher thanks us for our prayers - he is recovering well.

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: **Glyn Cardy, Gillian Wilmot, Ross Cruickshank, Melissa Lammas, 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: **David Smith and Mary Greathead**

Prayer for the week

Gracious God, you call us to fullness of life: deliver us from unbelief and banish our anxieties with the liberating love of 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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Our website is www.ardenmarches.co.uk

Find us on Facebook at the Arden Marches Churches page or join the Arden Marches Church Family private group

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