

Worship Services

17th March

Studley 10am Opening the Bible

6pm Holy Communion - Parish Centre

Mappleborough 10am Café Church pastries and drinks from 9.45am

Saturday 23rd March

Forest Church meeting at Holy Trinity Morton Bagot at 3pm, celebrating Spring Equinox.

24th March Palm Sunday

Studley 8am Holy Communion

10am Worship for Everyone with pastries and drinks from 9.45am

Mappleborough 10am Holy Communion

Oldberrow 4pm Evensong



29th March Good Friday

Studley 10am-11.30am Churches Together Walk of Witness - start at the Co-Op

Mappleborough 12 noon (the time Jesus was crucified) Service at the Crosses on the Hill, hot cross buns and drinks B807DS

Studley 2pm - 3pm reflective Good Friday Service - drop in for a few minutes or stay for the hour till 3pm the time Jesus died

31st March Easter Sunday

Studley 6am Sunrise Communion in the churchyard (gather around the fire from 5.30am)

10am Easter Celebration Service with lots of live music & Easter egg hunt

Mappleborough 10am Easter Holy Communion

Morton Bagot 11.15am Easter Holy Communion

10am services in Studley church: The theme for Studley 10am services in March will be 'Journey to the Cross', looking at the events of Jesus' life, death and resurrection. Children will have their own groups for most of the service on 1st and 3rd Sundays, young people on 2nd Sundays. Contact Angela for more details about activities for children and young people.

News, information and events coming up

Safeguarding

As the Diocese aims to embrace a safer environment for all children and vulnerable adults who interact with our churches, they have advised that all volunteers who help with our Sunday services are to complete the BASIC safeguarding module. This will help to broaden our knowledge around the concept and importance of safeguarding, to help make our churches a safe place for everyone.

You can either complete this module on the online safeguarding portal (<https://safeguardingtraining.cofeportal.org/>) or attend a face to face session with your (PSO) Parish Safeguarding officer- Charlotte Fitchett. This will be held at the Parish centre on Saturday 13th April at 2pm. It

will be an informal session. Please let Charlotte know if you are planning to attend the face to face session. Please contact Charlotte for any further information or support (safeguarding@ardenmarches.com).

Easter Lilies for Mappleborough Church.

If anyone would like to purchase a Lily in remembrance of a loved one would they please let me know as soon as possible. Unfortunately the Dutch suppliers, to the florist I use, are yet to finalise the price. Last year they were approximately £6 each and they will, sadly, certainly be more expensive this year.

Please contact me for any further information.

Many thanks, Diane dianepannell@yahoo.co.uk 01527 521264

From Now On: a Lent Course on hope and redemption in 'The Greatest Showman'

This Churches Together course continues in the Methodist Church on Thursday evening March 21st with refreshments from 7pm for a 7.30pm start. You are welcome to come to any or all of the meetings.

Maundy Thursday Communion service at Coventry Cathedral 28th March 10.30am

Everyone is welcome to gather in our cathedral to prepare to be sent out to our parishes to witness to the events of Jesus' death and resurrection over Easter weekend. (All clergy gather for this service and re-affirm their ministerial vows, as we remember Jesus washing his disciples feet.) If you would like to join us do let Kate know and we can share transport.

Maundy Thursday Supper

at the Parish Centre **Thursday 28th March 7.00pm for 7.30pm** Please bring your own wine or soft drinks Tickets: Adults £6.00 Children age 5 and over £2.00 available in church or from Glynn 524431 or Louise 854726

Easter Family Fun Prize Bingo

Margaret Lee has organised an Easter Family Fun Prize Bingo at The Studley Parish Centre on **Saturday 16th March from 2 till 4 o'clock**. Admission Tickets £5.00 adults and £2.50 children (who must be 8 years old, or over) this includes tea/coffee/ squash, hot cross buns and cakes during the interval. Bingo Books and Raffle tickets to be purchased on the day. All funds raised for The Air Ambulance. Contact Margaret Lee for Admission tickets



Souper Bowls 26th March

All welcome to our warm place to chat and enjoy some delicious homemade soup. Soup served from 12:00 until 1:30pm 2nd and 4th Tuesdays. At the parish church centre, Old Vicarage Gardens, Studley. No charge. Donations welcome.

Studley Dementia Café 4th April 2024

Every first Thursday of the month at the Parish Church Centre 2-4pm. A warm welcome, chat, coffee and cake.

For more information contact

felicity.jones22@gmail.com

or Celia: 07710198009



Tea, Cake and Friendship Mondays 2.30-4.30pm (not bank holidays)

Come and join us for a cuppa and some company at the Parish Centre, Needle Close, Studley

Job vacancy - Foodbank Campaign and Community Organiser.

Funding has been found for a person to work with all Trussell Trust foodbanks across Warwickshire helping build and deliver local



campaigning strategies. The job will be based in Rugby but includes visiting other foodbanks. Home working some days is optional. If you want further details and how to apply please contact Hilary Volrath. Closing date for applications 21st March 2024.

Arden Marches quiz night

Saturday 13th April @ 7pm Parish Centre
£10 ticket includes a supper of filled Jacket potato and salad

Come and enjoy great fun, grand fellowship, generous food and good fundraising!

Bring your own drinks and some cash as there will be a raffle!

Tickets available from Sunday 10th March.

For more information contact Mercia Lee
mobile: 07963 903901 email: mercia@lee24.myzen.co.uk



Men's breakfast

On Saturday 16th March 7:45 for 8:00 am

Guest speaker Adrian Lowe Having spent nearly 30 years in the retail industry Adrian felt the call of God to serve his local church. From 2005 to 2017 Adrian worked as a full-time staff member as Team Leader. In May 2017 he was released by the church family to dedicate his time to serving the wider body of Christ in the town, region and nation. Adrian is married to Marion and has two grandchildren.

Meeting at the Kings Court Hotel Kings Coughton, nr Alcester B49 5QQ
If you are interested and haven't booked in with Phil Pattison will you please contact Paul Nash by Wednesday 13th March
tel. 07776 301469, email: saltwaymensgroup@gmail.com

We need you:

In April we will elect new people to join the leadership committees for our churches - please consider if you would like to serve in this way - have a chat with people already involved to find out more - ask someone on duty on Sundays. For Studley we need a churchwarden, one PCC and one DCC member. For Mappleborough we need a churchwarden, 3 PCC members and 3 DCC members.

Welcome to Arden Marches churches

We are delighted to welcome newcomers, and we hope you quickly feel 'at home' among us. If you would like to get to know us better, please complete a 'Keeping in Touch' form available in church and hand it to a warden or minister. We offer a range of midweek small groups to encourage each other in living out our Christian faith: to find out more please speak to Kate our vicar.

Prayer

Prayer - the Powerhouse of the Church

Meeting 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month. (NB: We will not be meeting on 3rd Thursdays in Lent)

4th April 10.00am in the Parish Centre

We will be reflecting on what God for what he is doing and praying for the current needs and direction of our churches and community. All are welcome.

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) People with ongoing difficulties remain in our prayers even if their names no longer appear below.

We pray for people in particular need including: **Chris Tennant, Emilia and Heather Wersocki**

We commend to God all who have died recently and pray for their families: **Patricia Parsons, Ann Halford, Betty Smith and Alan Henderson**

We remember those for whom the anniversary of their death falls at this time: **Pamela Green, Ronald Day, Jim Green and David Harris**

Prayer for vacancies for volunteers

Please pray for: a Treasurer for Mappleborough, a Foundation Governor for Mappleborough School, a Churchwarden for Studley from 2024. If you are interested in one of these roles please speak to Kate for more information.

Prayer for the week: The Fifth Sunday of Lent

Gracious Father, you gave up your Son out of love for the world: lead us to ponder the mysteries of his passion, that we may know eternal peace through the shedding of our Saviour's blood, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Churches open for personal prayer:

Studley Church: open daily 10am-3pm

Oldberrow Church is always open.

Morton Bagot Church is usually open 10am-4pm

Parish Giving Scheme

If you wish to give regularly to one of our churches we recommend using the Parish Giving Scheme. It is easy to set up your gift via the website or by phone. The church postcode and name of village will identify the church:

Studley church: B80 7AB

Mappleborough Church: B80 7DJ

Morton Bagot Church: B80 7EJ

Oldberrow Church: B95 5NU

<https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/setting-up-your-gift/>

telephone: 03330021260

Contact details

For safeguarding concerns:

Parish Safeguarding Officer: Charlotte Fitchett 07540323174

safeguarding@ardenmarches.co.uk

Diocesan safeguarding Team (24hrs) 024 7652 1345

Rector: Revd Kate Mier

3 Manor Mews, Studley B80 7PR rector@ardenmarches.co.uk

01527 852830 07894444351 Rest day: Friday

Church Administrator: Judith McLelland

Available 2.00pm-4.30pm Monday to Thursday

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News sheet deadline 2pm Thursday

Family Link Worker: Angela Corlett

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