

Worship Services for March

STUDLEY B807AB			<i>March theme: based on our Lent course</i>
9th March	8am	Holy Communion	
	10am	Prayer and Praise	
	3.30pm	Messy Church	<i>Parish Centre</i>
16th March	10am	Opening the Bible	
	6pm	Holy Communion	<i>Parish Centre</i>
23rd March	8am	Holy Communion	
	10am	Worship for Everyone - with St Mary's CofE Primary Academy	
30th March	8am	Holy Communion	
	10am	Mothering Sunday Brunch	<i>Parish Centre</i>
MAPPLEBOROUGH B807DJ			
9th March	10am	Holy Communion for All	
16th March	10am	Café Church	
23rd March	10am	Holy Communion	
OLDBERROW B955NU			
9th March	4pm	Holy Communion	
MORTON BAGOT B80 7EJ			
22 nd March	3pm	Forest Church	
23rd March	4pm	Evensong	

Prayer the Powerhouse of the Church

Meeting 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month, all welcome.

Next meeting is 20th March 10.00am at 19 Hamilton Close.

News, information and upcoming events:

New Electoral Roll

This year **everyone** who belongs to **any** of our congregations needs to complete a new Electoral Roll form. We would like people to do this electronically where possible. You should have received details on how to do this – please contact Rachel parish@ardenmarches.co.uk if you haven't. Paper forms will also be available in churches.

Thank you to everyone who has already used the app to join – please share how easy it is to use.

Opportunities to serve:

1. The annual meeting for Studley with Mappleborough will be **Tuesday 6th May**. There are vacancies for **roles to help guide and manage our churches life**, including:

Studley: churchwarden, 1 PCC member, 3 DCC members

Mappleborough: 1 Deanery Synod member, 1 PCC member, 1 DCC member.

More information about these roles from current members and churchwardens. Nomination forms available in churches.

2. **Parish Safeguarding Officer**: Charlotte Fitchett would like to hand over this role - if you are interested, please speak to her or to Kate.

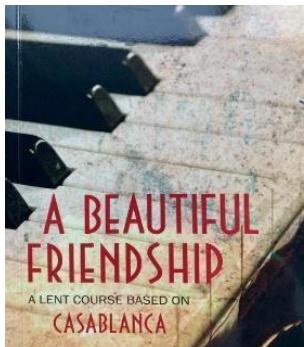
Funerals in Studley Parish Church

Wendy Hope Thursday 6th March at 1.15pm

Judith Pickles Friday 21st March at 12pm

Barbara Beaman gift to St Mary's Parish Church: This is to let everyone know that, at her request, we have received £1,000 from Barbara Beaman's estate to be used towards upkeep of the church. Many thanks to Barbara's family for arranging this.

Churches Together Lent Course: A Beautiful Friendship
5 Thursday evenings 7 for 7.30-9.00pm at the Methodist Church starting on 13th March. Based on the film 'Casablanca'. Everyone is welcome.



If you would like to, join us to watch the whole film before the course starts:
Saturday 8th March at the Vicarage. **Please let Kate know if you plan to attend.**

Arden Foodbank, Lent Appeal

This Lent Arden Foodbank is appealing to our local communities to donate food, if they can, to ensure that we can continue to support everyone who needs our help.

Arden Foodbank
 Together with Trussard

Ending hunger together

Give in Lent

Help support your food bank this Lent

In the six weeks of Lent, the food bank will provide emergency food parcels for local individuals and families facing hardship.

Donate food
 Donate an item or two from our shopping list, ensuring we can provide food for people facing hardship in your community.

Donate money
 Help to cover the costs of storing and distributing food, as well as developing sustainable projects via <https://justgiving.com>

Please help if you can, by leaving the food in our collection basket in your church any time before 14 April, or in any of our other collection baskets.

Shopping list

- Tinned meat/fish
- Tinned veg/fruit
- Cooking sauces
- Coffee
- Milk (UHT or powdered)
- Cereals
- Fruit juice (long-life)
- Tinned pudding
- Jam
- Instant mashed potato

Chocolate for Easter (to give families facing hardship a treat) would also be very welcome

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To all who have been praying for me

I am so grateful for the God given gifts from this difficult time of my illness and operation. Truly, there is a holy radiance in any darkness. Thank you from my heart to all who have prayed for me and sent messages and cards. They really helped. With much love. Margaret Deimel.

Messy Church
Sunday 9th March at 3:30pm in the Parish Centre

Stories, Songs, Prayers, Activities & Food

All welcome, fun worship especially for young families

Messy Church

3.30pm - 5pm Sunday, 9th March 2025
 Studley Parish Centre
 Old Vicarage Gardens
 Studley B80 7SG

Arden Marches Churches

Mary and Martha: Sisters Who Loved Differently - A Time for Everyone

All are welcome to join us for Messy Church.

Grandparenting for Faith Taster Day from BRF / Parenting For Faith and CYM. Thursday 13th March 2025, 10.30am-3.30pm at Chester Road Baptist Church, Sutton Coldfield, West Midlands. Anyone who is a grandparent or grandparent-figure is most welcome to join us, to be encouraged, inspired and empowered to support the faith of the children and young people around them. **Tickets only £10, bring your own lunch or order a baked potato from the church café.**

Saltway Men's Breakfast, guest speaker David Silvester. Saturday 15th March, 7.45 for 8.00 am at The Kings Court Hotel, Kings Coughton, B49 5QQ. Admission £11. Please contact Paul Nash, email: saltwaymensgroup@gmail.com by Wed 12th March.

Concert and social evening on Saturday 15th March 7pm in Studley Parish Centre

Tickets £6.13 via Eventbrite or £6 (cash only) via the Church Office. All proceeds to The Samaritans.

[The Battle Inside Tour eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com)

Concert in aid of the SAMARITANS

Saturday 15th March at 7.00 pm
 Studley Parish Centre, B80 7SG

Featuring Ross Flanagan - 'The Battle Inside Tour'

ROSS FLANAGAN

and Studley Community Choir

Nibbles and soft drinks provided. Bring your own alcohol.

Tickets £6.13 via Eventbrite
 The Battle Inside Tour: [eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com)
 or £6 (cash only) via the Church Office.

Anna Friends: commissioning 16th March 6.00pm

Charlotte Fitchett, Alan Greathead, Joan Lock and Diane Pannell are going to be commissioned as Anna Friends at the **6pm Communion on Sunday 16th March in the Parish Centre**. They are supporting the work of our Anna Chaplain Celia Spiers in our ministry among older people. Everyone is invited to come and support our first Anna Friends.

Choir practices for Easter Sunday will start **Friday 21st March at 7.00pm in Studley Church**, all are welcome to come along.



Forest Church on Saturday 22nd March at 3pm in Morton Bagot Church.

All are welcome.



Maundy Thursday Supper on Thursday 17th April, 7.00 for 7.30pm in Studley Parish Centre
Tickets available from Louise or Glynn.

Advance notice: Ignatian Prayer Day Retreat led by Donna Worthington. Saturday 10th May, from 10.00am-4.00pm at Mappleborough Church.

All are welcome to come and join any of our regular groups which take place in the Parish Centre.



Tea, Cake and Friendship

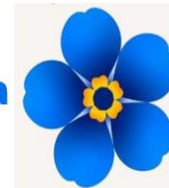
Mondays 2.30-4.00pm (not bank holidays)

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

Studley Dementia Café - next meeting on 20th March

Every first and third Thursdays in the month at the Parish Church Centre 2-4pm. The first Thursday is the Dementia Cafe and the third Thursday is Singing for fun. A warm welcome, chat, coffee and cake. For more information contact studleydementiacafe@gmail.com or Celia: 07710198009

**Studley
Dementia
Cafe**



Souper Bowls - next meeting is 11th March

Souper bowls - every 2nd and 4th Tuesdays (except Bank Holidays) **12.00 to 1.30pm at the Parish Centre**. Min £3 donation requested

Sunbeams

Meets Fridays 9.30-11.30 (term time) Creative play, craft, story, songs, fun, friendship, cuppa, cake & chat. Free (give a donation if you wish). No need to book.



Welcome to Arden Marches churches

We are delighted to welcome newcomers, and 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 activities for children and youth, and a range of midweek small groups to encourage adults in living out our Christian faith: to find out more please speak to Kate our vicar.

Facebook users please 'like' and preferably add a comment to our Facebook page & posts, share them & tag people whenever you can. Thank you!

Prayer

Prayer for the week: First Sunday of Lent

Heavenly Father, your Son battled with the powers of darkness, and grew closer to you in the desert:
help us to use these days to grow in wisdom and prayer
that we may witness to your saving love in Jesus Christ our Lord.

A prayer for growth for us to use at home and whenever we meet

God of mission who alone brings growth to your Church

Send the Holy Spirit to give

vision to our planning
wisdom to our actions
joy to our worship
and power to our witness

Help our church to grow

in numbers
in spiritual commitment to you
and in service to our local community

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

For your prayers

Contact Rachel Nicholas 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 Rachel 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: **Rob Watkins, Mike Moffat, Maureen Dew, Emilia, Bob and Pearl Taylor, and Heather Wersocki.**

We commend to God all who have died recently and pray for their families: **Judith Pickles and Wendy Hope.**

We remember those for whom the anniversary of their death falls at this time: **Glady Brooke, Douglas Anderson, Barbara Jones and David Harris.**

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
Oldberrow Church	B95 5NU	Morton Bagot Church	B80 7EJ

<https://www.paritygiving.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: Rachel Nicholas 01527 850130

parish@ardenmarches.co.uk Church Office, 3 Manor Mews Studley B80 7PR

Available 9.00-11.30am Monday to Thursday *News sheet items - 9am Thurs*

Family Link Worker: Angela Corlett 07724 347055

family-link@ardenmarches.co.uk

Anna Chaplain for older people: Celia Spiers 07710 198009

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Parish Centre bookings: Mike Moffat 07594 948534

parish-centre@ardenmarches.co.uk

Ankorn House bookings Linda Salisbury 07872 625006

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Facebook page:

Arden Marches Churches
Oldberrow and Morton Bagot Churches
Sunbeams Parent & Toddler Group (Studley)
Arden Marches Messy Church

Facebook group:

Arden Marches Church Family
Studley Dementia Café

Website:

www.ardenmarches.co.uk

