KINGSBURY/BAXTERLEY GROUP OF CHURCHES WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Merevale 

Hurley 

Kingsbury 

Baxterley 

Wood End 

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22/11/26 — Christ the King

SUNDAY SERVICES

This Sunday - 22nd Nov
Christ the King

BAXTERLEY
9.30am Morning Prayer
KINGSBURY
11.00am Holy Communion
1.00pm Baptism Service
FARM CHURCH
2.30pm in Wood End Church
(Readings: Ezekiel 34. 11-16, 20-24; Psalm 95. 1-7; Ephesians 1. 15-end; Matthew 25. 31-end)

Next Sunday - 29th Nov
Advent Sunday
(Year B begins)

GROUP SERVICE

11.00am Holy Communion at MEREVALE

(Readings: Isaiah 64. 1-9; Psalm 80. 1-8; 1 Corinthians 1. 3-9; Mark 13. 24-end)

Sunday 6th December
Advent 2

KINGSBURY
9.30am Holy Communion

MEREVALE
11.00am Advent Carols
1.00pm Baptism Service

(Readings: Isaiah 40. 1-11; Psalm 85. 1-2, 8-end; 2 Peter 3. 8-15a; Mark 13. 24-end))

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https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61563036555109
or on our Website
http://www.kingbaxgroup.org.uk

Forthcoming Events

Tuesday 24th November
- *1.30-3.30pm Puzzle Library Open in Old Stables*
- *8.00pm Compline via Zoom (and online via Facebook)*

Wednesday 25th November
- *9.30am Morning Worship at Wood End followed by 10.30am Advent Reflections (1)*

Thursday 26th November
- *11.00am Funeral of Brian Stanfield at Kingsbury*
- *4.30pm Evening Prayer at Baxterley followed by 5.15pm Advent Reflections (1)*

Friday 27th November
- *3.15pm Funeral of Barry Ward at Sutton Crem. and afterwards at Wood End Club*

Saturday 28th November
- *10.00-12.00 Choir Singing at Baxterley*

Tuesday 1st December
- *8.00pm Compline via Zoom (and online via Facebook)*

Wednesday 2nd December
- *9.30am Holy Communion at Wood End followed by 10.30am Advent Reflections (2)*
- *Funeral of Mavis Edwards at Sutton Crem (Time??)*

Thursday 3rd December
- *1.30pm Funeral of Arnold Bullock at Baxterley followed by burial at Hurley*
- *4.30pm Evening Prayer at Baxterley followed by 5.15pm Advent Reflections (2)*

Saturday 5th December
- *2.00-4.00pm Wood End Coffee Afternoon*
- *7.30pm Kingsbury Handbells Ultimate pre-Christmas Party at Kingsbury Community & Sports Hall*

A Formal Announcement!

Many of you are already aware that both Rev Carole and our Reader Ruth are to retire from public ministry at the end of this year, but for those who did not know this news, this is the formal announcement that they will retire on the 31st December 2026. Their last Sunday in post will be Sunday 27th December with a Group Service at 11am at Wood End - our Oversight Area friends will join us then too. Rev Carole has a final wedding on 31st December and both she and Ruth will join us for Evening Prayer at Baxterley afterwards. Do join us!

Collect for Christ the King

God the Father, help us to hear the call of Christ the King and to follow in his service, whose kingdom has no end; for he reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, one glory. **Amen**

Please Pray for:

Those who are ill:
Rachel : Lauren : Samuel
Hope : Sean : Kay
Rose Stubbs : Glenys
Carole Haines : Diane : Fred
Sandra : Millie : Martha : Sheila
Trevor : Hannah & Olivia
Chris Martin : Ann Gallagher
Marjorie Nunan : Helen de Renzy
Jane Pratt : Felicity Cawthra
Danielle Hughes : Marjorie Ranson
Roger Woodward

Baptised today
Dee, Avaleigh & Tristan

Preparing for Marriage
Lydia & Kieran

Those who have died
Mavis Edwards :Brian Stanfield
Christine Brierley : Arnold Bullock
Elsie Hastilow
Anyone you know and All families grieving the loss of loved ones

Please also pray for ....
That the right person applies to be our next Incumbent.

SEE OVERLEAF FOR READINGS & FURTHER NOTICES

This week we pray for all who live or work in these Roads in our communities:
Redwood Drive & Rowan Close in Kingsbury; Ferndale Close in Hurley; Boulters Lane in Wood End; and Hipsley Lane in Baxterley

Safeguarding Support: If you have a safeguarding matter you need to discuss, speak to our **Parish Safeguarding Officer - Dr. Pru Allington-Smith on 01827 825701** or **Rev. Carole** or in emergency **the Bishop's Safeguarding Adviser, Steph Haynes on 07342 993844**
StephH@cofebirmingham.com

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Readings for Christ the King

Ezekiel 34. 11-16, 20-24

11For thus says the Lord GOD: I myself will search for
my sheep, and will seek them out. 12As shepherds seek
out their flocks when they are among their scattered
sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them
from all the places to which they have been scattered
on a day of clouds and thick darkness. 13I will bring
them out from the peoples and gather them from the
countries, and will bring them into their own land; and
I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the
watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land.
14I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain
heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall
lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on
rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. 15I myself will
be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie
down, says the Lord GOD. 16I will seek the lost, and I
will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the
injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and
the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice.
20Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD to them: I myself
will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep.
21Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and
butted at all the weak animals with your horns until
you scattered them far and wide, 22I will save my flock,
and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge
between sheep and sheep. 23I will set up over them
one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed
them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. 24And
I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David
shall be prince among them; I, the LORD, have spoken.

Psalm 95. 1-7

1O come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful
noise to the rock of our salvation!
2Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let
us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!
3For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above
all gods.
4In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights
of the mountains are his also.
5The sea is his, for he made it, and the dry land,
which his hands have formed.
6O come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel
before the LORD, our Maker!
7For he is our God, and we are the people of his pas-
ture, and the sheep of his hand. O that today you
would listen to his voice!

Ephesians 1. 15-end

15I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and
your love toward all the saints, and for this reason 16I
do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember
you in my prayers. 17I pray that the God of our Lord
Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit
of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him,
18so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened,
you may know what is the hope to which he has
called you, what are the riches of his glorious
inheritance among the saints, 19and what is the
immeasurable greatness of his power for us who
believe, according to the working of his great power.
20God put this power to work in Christ when he raised
him from the dead and seated him at his right hand
in the heavenly places, 21far above all rule and
authority and power and dominion, and above every
name that is named, not only in this age but also in
the age to come. 22And he has put all things under
his feet and has made him the head over all things
for the church, 23which is his body, the fullness of him
who fills all in all.

Matthew 25. 31-end

31"When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels
with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. 32All the
nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate
people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep
from the goats, 33and he will put the sheep at his right hand
and the goats at the left. 34Then the king will say to those at
his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father,
inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; 35for I was hungry and you gave me food, I
was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, 36I was naked and you
gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' 37Then the righteous will
answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to
drink? 38And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? 39And
when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' 40And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just
as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' 41Then he will say to those
at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels;
42for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, 43I was a stranger and
you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' 44Then
they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison,
and did not take care of you?' 45Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the
least of these, you did not do it to me.' 46And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into
eternal life."

Advent Reflections 2026

Our Advent Reflections this year are entitled **'O Shining Light - Exploring the Great 'O's'** (the Advent Antiphons). The four sessions will be on Wednesdays each week starting **25th Dec.** after the 9.30am service at Wood End, and repeated on Thursdays each week after the 4.30 service at Baxterley, Do join us!

Joining Details for most Online Zoom Services & Meetings

Meeting ID: **999 516 9418**
Passcode: **Twigster3**
You can also join by telephone on number: 0203 481 5237 and entering the ID: 999 516 9418 and Code: 570910568

Event Dates for your Diary

Thurs 26th Nov - 11am Funeral of Brian Stansfield at Kingsbury
Fri 27th Nov - 3.15pm Funeral of Barry Ward at Sutton Crematorium
Wed 2nd Dec - 10.00-12.00 Merevale Christmas Cheer at Merevale Hall (Sold Out)
Thur 3rd Dec - Funeral of Arnold Bullock at Baxterley w. burial at Hurley
Sat 5th Dec - WE Coffee Afternoon
Sat 5th Dec - Handbell Ultimate Pre -Christmas Concert Party (£10)
Sat 12th Dec - Christmas Hits Concert at Baxterley - Live Band (£15)
Thur 17th Dec - Kingsbury Coffee Morning in Church

Interregnum Arrangements

Our parish is now in interregnum and the Vicarage and it's telephone will be 'off limits'. From now on all pastoral matters should be passed to **Revd. Carole** via the 'office' telephone number of **07426 068938** or via email on **admin@kingbaxgroup.org.uk .** Matters regarding church buildings/grounds should be passed to the church wardens. *Many Thanks.*

Jigsaw Puzzle Lending Library…



Free jigsaw puzzle lending library on **Tuesday 10th & 24th November at The Old Stables**, Kingsbury Church—between **1.30-3.30pm.** Open every **2nd & 4th Tuesday!**