

# KINGSBURY/BAXTERLEY GROUP OF CHURCHES

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



Merevale



Hurley



Kingsbury



Baxterley



Wood End



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05/10/2025 —  
Harvest Festival

### SUNDAY SERVICES

**This Sunday - 5th October**  
**Harvest Festival**

#### GROUP SERVICE

**11.00am** Holy Communion  
at  
**BAXTERLEY**  
with light lunch afterwards.  
See notices re Harvest Gifts.

(Readings: Deuteronomy 26.  
1-11; Psalm 100; Philippians 4.  
4-9; John 6. 25-35)

**Next Sunday - 12th Oct**  
**Trinity 17 (P23)**  
**(Animal Welfare Sunday)**

#### HURLEY

9.30am Holy Communion

#### KINGSBURY

11.00am Holy Communion

#### BAXTERLEY

1.00pm Baptism Service

(Readings: 2 Kings 5. 1-3, 7-  
15; Psalm 111; 2 Timothy 2.  
8-15; Luke 17. 11-19)

**Sunday 19th October**  
**Trinity 18 (P24)**

#### BAXTERLEY

9.30am Morning Prayer

#### MEREVALE

11.00am Holy Communion

#### KINGSBURY

1.00pm Baptism Service

(Readings: Genesis 32. 22-31;  
Psalm 121; 2 Timothy 3. 14-  
4.5; Luke 18. 1-8)

### Forthcoming Events

Tuesday 7th October

- 8.00pm Compline via Zoom (and online via Facebook)

Wednesday 8th October

- 9.30am Holy Communion at Wood End

Thursday 9th October

- 12.00-2.00 Clergy Chapter meeting
- 3.00pm Hurley School Harvest Assembly in school
- 4.30pm Evening Prayer at Baxterley

Saturday 11th October

- 10.00-12.00 Kingsbury Green Clean
- 10.00-12.00 Choir Singing at Hurley

Tuesday 14th October

- 1.30-3.30 Puzzle Library open
- 8.00pm Compline via Zoom (and online via Facebook)

Wednesday 15th October

- 9.30am Morning Prayer at Wood End

Thursday 16th October

- 4.30pm Evening Prayer at Baxterley

Friday 17th October

- 6.30pm Parish Quiz & Supper - ticket holders only

Saturday 18th October

- 1.00-4.00pm Handbell Rally at Kingsbury Community Centre

### Harvest Festival 2025

This year we will celebrate Harvest Festival with a **Group Service at Baxterley Church TODAY.**

This will be followed by a light lunch.  
All are welcome. **Donations** of Dry Goods and Tins will go to our local **Food Bank** and any monies given will be in aid of **WaterAid.**

Please do give generously.



### Animal Welfare Sunday

This year we celebrate on Sunday 12th October at Hurley and Kingsbury, and again at Wood End on the 15th October. Well behaved dogs on leads and other well behaved pets in cages are welcome in church to receive a blessing.

### Collect for Harvest Festival

Creator God, you made the goodness of the land, the riches of the sea and the rhythm of the seasons; as we thank you for the harvest, may we cherish and respect this planet and its peoples, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**



### Please Pray for:

#### Those who are ill:

Rachel : Lauren : Samuel  
Hope : Sean : Kay  
Rose Stubbs : Glenys  
Carole Haines : Diane : Fred  
Sandra : Bill : Millie  
Martha : Sheila : Trevor  
Margaret Pallett : Hannah & Olivia  
Chris Martin : Brian Moss  
Ann Gallagher : Marjorie Nunan  
Helen de Renzy : Lionel  
Jane Pratt : Felicity Cawthra  
Danielle Hughes

#### Those who have died

All families grieving the loss of loved ones

#### Please also pray for ....

The new Archbishop of Canterbury Designate,  
Dame Sarah Mullally,  
current Bishop of London



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**SEE OVERLEAF FOR READINGS & FURTHER NOTICES**

**This week we pray for all who live or work in these Roads in our communities:**

Coventry Road Nth & Elder Close in Kingsbury; Blacksmith Lane in Hurley; Birchfield Close in Wood End; and Coleshill Road in Merevale w. Bentley

**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**  
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## Readings for Harvest Festival

### Deuteronomy 26. 1-11

And it shall be, when thou art come in unto the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee for an inheritance, and possessest it, and dwellest therein; <sup>2</sup>That thou shalt take of the first of all the fruit of the earth, which thou shalt bring of thy land that the Lord thy God giveth thee, and shalt put it in a basket, and shalt go unto the place which the Lord thy God shall choose to place his name there. <sup>3</sup>And thou shalt go unto the priest that shall be in those days, and say unto him, I profess this day unto the Lord thy God, that I am come unto the country which the Lord swore unto our fathers for to give us. <sup>4</sup>And the priest shall take the basket out of thine hand, and set it down before the altar of the Lord thy God. <sup>5</sup>And thou shalt speak and say before the Lord thy God, A Syrian ready to perish was my father, and he went down into Egypt, and sojourned there with a few, and became there a nation, great, mighty, and populous: <sup>6</sup>And the Egyptians evil entreated us, and afflicted us, and laid upon us hard bondage: <sup>7</sup>And when we cried unto the Lord God of our fathers, the Lord heard our voice, and looked on our affliction, and our labour, and our oppression: <sup>8</sup>And the Lord brought us forth out of Egypt with a mighty hand, and with an outstretched arm, and with great terribleness, and with signs, and with wonders: <sup>9</sup>And he hath brought us into this place, and hath given us this land, even a land that floweth with milk and honey. <sup>10</sup>And now, behold, I have brought the firstfruits of the land, which thou, O Lord, hast given me. And thou shalt set it before the Lord thy God, and worship before the Lord thy God: <sup>11</sup>And thou shalt rejoice in every good thing which the Lord thy God hath given unto thee, and unto thine house, thou, and the Levite, and the stranger that is among you.

### Psalm 100

<sup>1</sup>Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands.  
<sup>2</sup>Serve the Lord with gladness: come before his presence with singing.  
<sup>3</sup>Know ye that the Lord he is God: it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.  
<sup>4</sup>Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless his name.  
<sup>5</sup>For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth to all generations.

### John 6. 25-35

When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always." Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

### Philippians 4. 4-9

<sup>4</sup>Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. <sup>5</sup>Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. <sup>6</sup>Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. <sup>7</sup>And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. <sup>8</sup>Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about\* these things. <sup>9</sup>Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

### Parish Quiz & Supper - Friday 17th October 6.00pm at Kingsbury Sports & Community Centre., B78 2LG.

Tickets **£10** each available now from all church wardens. Teams of 4 please! (This is a ticket only event owing to limited space.) Tea/coffee provided but feel free to bring your own drinks and glasses.

### Handbell Rally hosted by Kingsbury Handbell Ringers on Saturday 18th October at Kingsbury Sports & Community Centre 1.00-4.00pm. Spectators are welcome. Free entry but space will be limited.

### Interregnum Arrangements

Our parish is now in interregnum and the Vicarage and its telephone will be 'off limits'. From now on all pastoral matters should be passed to **Revd. Carole** via the new '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.*

### Ruth Matthews is running the London Marathon next year and raising funds for WaterAid

Please support her - she needs to raise **£2,500**. You can give using her Just Giving page here: [www.justgiving.com/page/ruth-matthews-1](http://www.justgiving.com/page/ruth-matthews-1) or give cash to Revd Carole to pass to Ruth. (Ruth usually attends our early morning services at Hurley and Wood End)

### 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**

### Dates for your Diary

**Sat 11th Oct** - 10.00-12.00 Choir

Singing Morning at Hurley

**Mon 20th Oct** - 12.30 - 2.30

Church Fellowship at Jubilee Court

**Weds 22nd Oct** - 7.00pm Deanery

Synod at St. Clements, Castle Brom.

### Jigsaw Puzzle Lending Library...



Free jigsaw puzzle lending library on **Tuesday 14th & 28th Oct. at The Old Stables, Kingsbury Church—** between **1.30-3.30pm**. Open every **2nd & 4th Tuesday!**