

KINGSBURY/BAXTERLEY GROUP OF CHURCHES WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



Merevale



Hurley



Kingsbury



Baxterley



Wood End



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22/02/26 —
Lent 1

SUNDAY SERVICES

This Sunday - 22nd Feb
Lent 1

BAXTERLEY

9.30am Holy Communion

KINGSBURY

11.00am Division Guides

'Thinking Day' Service

12.30pm Burial of Ashes

FARM CHURCH

2.30pm Wood End Church

(Readings: Genesis 2. 15-17,
3. 1-7; Psalm 32; Romans 5.
12-19; Matthew 4. 1-11)

Next Sunday - 1st March
Lent 2

HURLEY

9.30am Holy Communion

MEREVALE

11.00am Holy Communion
Please welcome Revd Louise
at both services!

(Readings: Genesis 12. 1-4a;
Psalm 121; Romans 4. 1-5,
13-17; John 3. 1-17)

Sunday 8th March
Lent 3

BAXTERLEY

9.30am Holy Communion

KINGSBURY

11.00am Civic Service

(Readings: Genesis 12. 1-4a;
Psalm 121; Romans 4. 1-5,
13-17; John 3. 1-17)

Forthcoming Events

Tuesday 24th February

- 1.30-3.30pm Puzzle Library Open in the Old Stables
- 8.00pm Compline via Zoom (and online via Facebook)

Wednesday 25th February

- 9.30am Holy Communion at Wood End followed by Lent Reflections (1)
- 11.30am Funeral of Emily-Jane Scandrett at Kingsbury followed by cremation at 1.00pm at Sutton Crem.

Thursday 26th February

- 4.30pm Evening Prayer at Baxterley followed by Lent Reflections (1)

Friday 27th February

- 1.30pm Funeral & burial of Shirley Chapman at Kingsbury

Sunday 1st March

- 4.00-5.30 Lichfield Youth Team Ringing Practice at Kingsbury Bell Tower

Tuesday 3rd March

- 11.45pm Funeral of Bryan Winston at Nuneaton Crem.
- 8.00pm Compline via Zoom (and online via Facebook)

Wednesday 4th March

- 9.30am Morning Worship at Wood End followed by Lent Reflections (2)
- 7.00-8.30pm Choir Singing at Baxterley

Thursday 5th March

- 4.30pm Evening Prayer at Baxterley followed by Lent Reflections (2)

Friday 6th March

- 1.00pm Funeral of Maureen Cox at Wood End followed by burial at Hurley

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 : Brian Moss
Ann Gallagher : Marjorie Nunan
Helen de Renzy : Lionel
Jane Pratt : Felicity Cawthra
Danielle Hughes

Those who have died

Margaret Evans : Maureen Cox
Shirley Chapman : Bryan Winston
Emily-Jane Scandrett
Susan Francis : Bill Jones
and All families grieving the loss
of loved ones

Please also pray for

The Archbishop of Canterbury -
Dame Sarah Mullally,
That the right person applies to be
our next Incumbent.



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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:

The Hawthorns & The Larches
in Kingsbury; Holly Drive in
Hurley; Birchfield Close in
Wood End; and Atherstone
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

Lent Reflections - 'The Rhythm of Life'

Our Lent Reflections this year are based on 'The Rhythm of Life' and the CofE Lent Booklet 'Draw Near - Life giving habits for Lent'. Each session is stand-alone and will be on the following dates so Session 1 is on 25th Feb and repeated on 26th Feb, and so on..... Do join us!

Wood End 10.15am on 25th Feb and 4th, 11th, 18th & 25th March

Baxterley 5.15pm on 26th Feb and 5th, 12th, 18th & 26th March

Collect for the 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. **Amen**



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Readings for the First Sunday of Lent

Genesis 2. 15-17, 3. 1-7

The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. ¹⁶And the LORD God commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; ¹⁷but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die." Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, "You shall not eat from any tree in the garden?" ²The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; ³but God said, "You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die." ⁴But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die; ⁵for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." ⁶So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. ⁷Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

Matthew 4. 1-11

Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. ²He fasted for forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. ³The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." ⁴But he answered, "It is written, "One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God." ⁵Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, ⁶saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, "He will command his angels concerning you", and "On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone." ⁷Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, "Do not put the Lord your God to the test." ⁸Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour; ⁹and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." ¹⁰Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written, "Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him." ¹¹Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

Ruth Matthews is running the London Marathon on 26th April this year and is raising funds for WaterAid

Please support her - she **still** needs to raise **£1,025** of her £2,500 total. You can give using her Just Giving page here: 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)

Dates for your Diary

Wed 25th Feb - 11.30am Funeral of Emily-Jane Scandrett at Kingsbury

Fri 27th Feb - 1.30pm Funeral & burial of Shirley Chapman @ K'bury

Tues 3rd March - 11.45am Funeral of Bryan Winston at Nuneaton Crem

Wed 4th March - 7-8.30pm Choir Singing Evening at Baxterley

Fri 6th March - Funeral of Margaret Cox at Wood End & burial at Hurley

Sun 8th March - 11am Civic Service at Kingsbury - All Welcome

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**

Psalms 32

¹ Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.
² Happy are those to whom the LORD imputes no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.
³ While I kept silence, my body wasted away through my groaning all day long.
⁴ For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.
⁵ Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not hide my iniquity;
I said, 'I will confess my transgressions to the LORD', and you forgave the guilt of my sin.
⁶ Therefore let all who are faithful offer prayer to you;
at a time of distress, the rush of mighty waters shall not reach them.
⁷ You are a hiding-place for me; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with glad cries of deliverance.
⁸ I will instruct you and teach you the way you should go;

Romans 5. 12-19

Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned— ¹³sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. ¹⁴Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come. ¹⁵ But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. ¹⁶And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgement following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. ¹⁷If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ. ¹⁸ Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. ¹⁹For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

Lent, Holy Week & Easter Leaflets should be available for delivery from this week and will be in church next Sunday. Please take bundles and deliver as in previous years as soon as you can please. *With thanks.*



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.*

Jigsaw Puzzle Lending Library...

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