

KINGSBURY/BAXTERLEY GROUP OF PARISHES

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



Merevale



Hurley



Kingsbury



Baxterley



Wood End



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19/11/2023 —
2 before Advent

SUNDAY SERVICES

This Sunday - 19th Nov
2 before Advent

BAXTERLEY

9.30am Morning Prayer

MEREVALE

11.00am Holy Communion

(Readings: Zephaniah 1. 7, 12-end; Psalm 90. 1-8, 12; 1 Thessalonians 5. 1-11; Matthew 25. 14-30)

Next Sunday—26th Nov
Christ the King

HURLEY

9.30am Holy Communion

KINGSBURY

11.00am Holy Communion

(Readings: Ezekiel 34. 11-16, 20-24; Psalm 95. 1-7; Ephesians 1. 15-end; Matthew 25. 31-end)

Sunday 3rd December
Advent Sunday

BAXTERLEY

9.30am Holy Communion

MEREVALE

11.00am Holy Communion

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

You'll find any important updates on our Facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/kingbaxgroup.org.uk>
or on our Website
<http://www.kingbaxgroup.org.uk>

Forthcoming Events

Monday 20th November

- 12noon Mothers' Union meet at Jubilee Court

Tuesday 21st November

- 10.00am Morning Prayer at Kingsbury
- 7.30pm Deanery Readers meet at Dordon
- 8.00pm Compline online via Facebook ONLY

Wednesday 22nd November

- 9.30am Morning Worship at Wood End

Thursday 23rd November

- 4.30pm Evening Prayer at Baxterley

Friday 24th November

- 1.45pm Funeral of Mary Walker at Sutton Crem.

- 2.00pm Sounds Historical Concert at Merevale Church

Monday 27th November

- 11.00am Funeral & burial of Roger Minchin at Kingsbury

Tuesday 28th November

- 10.00am Morning Prayer at Kingsbury
- 11.00am Funeral of Carol Ayasamy at Sacred Heart RC Church, Tamworth followed by burial at Kingsbury
- 11.00-1.00 Jigsaw Puzzle Library Open in the Old Stables

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

Wednesday 29th November

- 9.30am Holy Communion at Wood End

Thursday 30th November

- 4.30pm Evening Prayer at Baxterley
- 7.30pm Advent Reflections (1) at the Vicarage

Monday 4th December

- 9.30-11.30am Choir Singing Morning at Merevale Church

Tickets are still available for the Sounds Historical Concert at Merevale on 24th November (£10) AND for the Merevale Hall Christmas Cheer event on 6th December (£6). Speak to Hilarie on 01827 713705 or 07803 301153 (or see Ruth) to buy your tickets.

Advent Reflections 2023

This year our Advent Reflections will take place on Thursday evenings, 7.30pm on 30th November, and 7th, 14th & 21st December. All meetings will be at The Vicarage, and all are welcome.

Collect for 2 bfe Advent

Heavenly Lord, you long for the world's salvation: stir us from apathy, restrain us from excess and revive in us new hope that all creation will one day be healed in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**



Please Pray for:

Those who are ill:

Rachel : Carol Makepeace
Lauren : Samuel : Hope
Kieran : Bethen : Sean
Kay : Rose Stubbs : Monica Paton
Glenys : Ruth Rogers
Carole Haines : Sandra Priddey
Diane : Fred : Joan : Sandra : Bill
Millie : Abi Coulson : Martha
Trevor : Margaret Pallett
Baby Hugo : Hannah & Olivia
Carole Round : Chris Martin
Louise : Brian Moss
Ann Gallagher : Marjorie Nunan
Helen de Renzy : Jane Pratt
John Parkes : John Skeldon

Preparing for Marriage

Peter & Sonia

Those who have died

Brian Bishop
Patrick Allington-Smith
Mary Walker : Carol Ayasamy
Roger Ivor Anchin

Please also pray for....

Revd Dr Michael Volland,
Bishop of Birmingham Elect;
..... and any concerns you may
have on your hearts
this week.....



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SEE OVERLEAF FOR READINGS & FURTHER NOTICES

Roads in our communities to pray for this week:

Brook Close & Cedar Crescent in Kingsbury; Meadow Road in Hurley; Sherwood Close in Wood End; and Monks Park Lane 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. John** or in emergency **the Bishop's Safeguarding Adviser, Steph Haynes on 07342 993844**
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Readings for the Second Sunday before Advent

Zephaniah 1. 7, 12-end

⁷ Be silent before the Lord GOD!
For the day of the LORD is at hand;
the LORD has prepared a sacrifice,
he has consecrated his guests.
¹² At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps,
and I will punish the people
who rest complacently on their dregs,
those who say in their hearts,
'The LORD will not do good,
nor will he do harm.'
¹³ Their wealth shall be plundered,
and their houses laid waste.
Though they build houses,
they shall not inhabit them;
though they plant vineyards,
they shall not drink wine from them.
¹⁴ The great day of the LORD is near,
near and hastening fast;
the sound of the day of the LORD is bitter,
the warrior cries aloud there.
¹⁵ That day will be a day of wrath,
a day of distress and anguish,
a day of ruin and devastation,
a day of darkness and gloom,
a day of clouds and thick darkness,
¹⁶ a day of trumpet blast and battle cry
against the fortified cities
and against the lofty battlements.
¹⁷ I will bring such distress upon people
that they shall walk like the blind;
because they have sinned against the LORD,
their blood shall be poured out like dust,
and their flesh like dung.
¹⁸ Neither their silver nor their gold
will be able to save them
on the day of the LORD's wrath;
in the fire of his passion
the whole earth shall be consumed;
for a full, a terrible end
he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth.

1 Thessalonians 5. 1-11

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. ²For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. ³When they say, 'There is peace and security', then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labour pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! ⁴But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; ⁵for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. ⁶So then, let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; ⁷for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. ⁸But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. ⁹For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁰who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. ¹¹Therefore encourage one another and build up

Psalms 90. 1-8, 12

¹ Lord, you have been our dwelling-place
in all generations.
² Before the mountains were brought forth,
or ever you had formed the earth and the world,
from everlasting to everlasting you are God.
³ You turn us back to dust,
and say, 'Turn back, you mortals.'
⁴ For a thousand years in your sight
are like yesterday when it is past,
or like a watch in the night.
⁵ You sweep them away; they are like a dream,
like grass that is renewed in the morning;
⁶ in the morning it flourishes and is renewed;
in the evening it fades and withers.
⁷ For we are consumed by your anger;
by your wrath we are overwhelmed.
⁸ You have set our iniquities before you,
our secret sins in the light of your countenance.
¹² So teach us to count our days
that we may gain a wise heart.

Matthew 25. 14-30

¹⁴ 'For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; ¹⁵to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. ¹⁶The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. ¹⁷In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. ¹⁸But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. ¹⁹After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. ²⁰Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, "Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents." ²¹His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." ²²And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, "Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents." ²³His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." ²⁴Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, "Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; ²⁵so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours." ²⁶But his master replied, "You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? ²⁷Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. ²⁸So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. ²⁹For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. ³⁰As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

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:

Fri. 24th Nov. - 2.00pm Sounds

Historical Concert at Merevale.

Mon. 4th Dec. - 9.30-11.30am Choir

Singing Morning at Merevale

Weds. 6th Dec. - 10.00-12.00

Merevale Hall Christmas Cheer

Jigsaw Puzzle Lending Library...



Free jigsaw puzzle lending library on **Tuesday 28th November at The Old Stables, Kingsbury Church**—between **11am-1.00pm**. Open every **2nd & 4th Tuesday!**