

KINGSBURY/BAXTERLEY GROUP OF PARISHES WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



Merevale



Hurley



Kingsbury



Baxterley



Wood End



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31/12/2023 —
Christmas 1

SUNDAY SERVICES

**This Sunday 31st Dec
Christmas 1**

GROUP SERVICE
at
HURLEY

10.30am Holy Communion

(Readings: Isaiah 61.10 -
62. 3; Psalm 148. 7-end;
Galatians 4. 4-7;
Luke 2. 15-21)

**Next Sunday—7th Jan 2024
Epiphany**

BAXTERLEY

9.30am Holy Communion

MEREVALE

11.00am Holy Communion

(Readings: Isaiah 60. 1-6;
Psalm 72. 10-15;
Ephesians 3. 1-12;
Matthew 2. 1-12)

**Sunday 14th January
Epiphany 2**

HURLEY

9.30am Holy Communion

KINGSBURY

11.00am Holy Communion

(Readings: 1 Samuel 3. 1-10;
Psalm 139. 1-9;
Revelation 5. 1-10;
John 1. 43-end)

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updates on our Facebook
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<http://www.kingbaxgroup.org.uk>

Forthcoming Events

Tuesday 2nd January 2024

- **NO Morning Prayer at Kingsbury**
- **8.00pm Compline via zoom (and online via Facebook)**

Wednesday 3rd January

- **9.30am Morning Worship at Wood End**
- **7.30pm Wedding Rehearsal at Kingsbury**

Thursday 4th January

- **4.30pm Evening Prayer at Baxterley**

Saturday 6th January

- **2.00pm Wedding of Peter & Sonia at Kingsbury**

Monday 8th January

- **1.45pm Funeral of Mary Roberts at Sutton Crem.**

Tuesday 9th January

- **10.00am Morning Prayer at Kingsbury**
- **1.30-3.30pm Puzzle Library Open - please note new times!**

- **8.00pm Compline online ONLY via Facebook**

Wednesday 10th January

- **9.30am Holy Communion at Wood End**

Thursday 11th January

- **4.30pm Evening Prayer at Baxterley**

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

Hedley Barden

Maureen Myatt : Mary Roberts

Please also pray for.....

Bishop 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:

Coventry Road North & South
in Kingsbury; Knowle Hill in
Hurley; Brookfields Close in
Wood End; and
Green 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
StephH@cofebirmingham.com**

We wish you all a very happy and
peaceful New Year!



Rev. John, Rev. Carole
& Ruth



Collect for Christmas 1

God in Trinity,
eternal unity of perfect love:
gather the nations to be one family,
and draw us into your holy life
through the birth of Emmanuel,
our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen**



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Readings for the First Sunday of Christmas

Isaiah 61. 10 - 62. 3

¹⁰ I will greatly rejoice in the LORD,
my whole being shall exult in my God;
for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation,
he has covered me with the robe of righteousness,
as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland,
and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.
¹¹ For as the earth brings forth its shoots,
and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring
up, so the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise
to spring up before all the nations.
For Zion's sake I will not keep silent,
and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest,
until her vindication shines out like the dawn,
and her salvation like a burning torch.
² The nations shall see your vindication,
and all the kings your glory;
and you shall be called by a new name
that the mouth of the LORD will give.
³ You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of
the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

Psalm 148. 7-end

⁷ Praise the LORD from the earth,
you sea monsters and all deeps,
⁸ fire and hail, snow and frost,
stormy wind fulfilling his command!
⁹ Mountains and all hills,
fruit trees and all cedars!
¹⁰ Wild animals and all cattle,
creeping things and flying birds!
¹¹ Kings of the earth and all peoples,
princes and all rulers of the earth!
¹² Young men and women alike,
old and young together!
¹³ Let them praise the name of the LORD,
for his name alone is exalted;
his glory is above earth and heaven.
¹⁴ He has raised up a horn for his people,
praise for all his faithful,
for the people of Israel who are close to him.
Praise the LORD!

Luke 2. 15-21

¹⁵ When the angels had left them and gone into
heaven, the shepherds said to one another, 'Let us go
now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken
place, which the Lord has made known to us.' ¹⁶ So
they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph,
and the child lying in the manger. ¹⁷ When they saw
this, they made known what had been told them
about this child; ¹⁸ and all who heard it were amazed
at what the shepherds told them. ¹⁹ But Mary
treasured all these words and pondered them in her
heart. ²⁰ The shepherds returned, glorifying and
praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it
had been told them. ²¹ After eight days had passed,
it was time to circumcise the child; and he was called
Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was
conceived in the womb.

Galatians 4. 4-7

⁴ But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his
Son, born of a woman, born under the law, ⁵ in order to
redeem those who were under the law, so that we might
receive adoption as children. ⁶ And because you are
children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into
our hearts, crying, 'Abba! Father!' ⁷ So you are no longer
a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir,
through God.

Kingsbury Guides - Fundraising

Thank you for all the Puddings you have bought to help raise camp funds for next years International (we have 13 girls and 2 leaders as part of the Warwickshire international selection trip). You have bought 57 puddings and raised a massive **£384!** (Rev. Carole still has just 5 Sticky Toffee and 2 Plum Puds left at £6 each, if anyone wants to buy a pud for New Year). *With grateful thanks for all your support.*

AN 'APPEAL FOR A PEAL' -

We're raising £4,000 for an 'Appeal for a Peal' -
to refurbish the Bells at St Peter & St Paul's
Church, Kingsbury. You can
donate directly by scanning the QR code:



AN APPEAL FOR HURLEY CHURCHYARD

We're raising £5,000 for repairs to Hurley Churchyard Steps
and Wall. There is a 'GoFundMe' page here
<https://gofund.me/5503e96d> for you to donate online or give
direct to either of the Church Wardens.

AN APPEAL FOR BAXTERLEY 'COMFORT' FUND

We're raising a huge amount to get a toilet
installed by the school room at Baxterley. All
donations gratefully received. You can give online
by scanning the QR code here, or give direct to
the Church Wardens.



Please keep giving to/sharing these Appeals!



Joining Details for most Online Zoom Services & Meetings

Meeting ID: 999 516 9418

Passcode: Twigster3

You can also join by telephone on num-
ber: 0203 481 5237 and entering the
ID: 999 516 9418 and Code: 570910568

Dates for your Diary:

Sat. 6th January - 2.00pm Wedding
of Peter & Sonia at Kingsbury

Mon. 8th January 2024 - 1.45pm
Funeral of Mary Roberts at Sutton
Crem.

Fri. 19th January - 2.30pm Funeral
of Maureen Myatt at Kingsbury
followed by burial in the churchyard.

Jigsaw Puzzle Lending Library...

Free jigsaw puzzle lending library on

**Tuesday 9th January at The Old
Stables, Kingsbury Church—
between 1.30-3.30pm - note the
new times. Open every 2nd &
4th Tuesday!**

