

# KINGSBURY/BAXTERLEY GROUP OF PARISHES

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



Merevale



Hurley



Kingsbury



Baxterley



Wood End



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Harvest - Part I

### SUNDAY SERVICES

**This Sunday—1st October**  
**Harvest Festivals**

#### MEREVALE

11.00am Holy Communion

#### BAXTERLEY

4.30pm Holy Communion

*(Readings: Deuteronomy 8. 7-18; Psalm 65; 2 Corinthians 9. 6-end; Luke 12. 16-30 or Luke 17. 11-19)*

**Next Sunday—8th October**  
**Harvest Festival & Animal Welfare Sunday**

#### HURLEY

9.30am Holy Communion

#### KINGSBURY

11.00am Holy Communion

*(Readings: Isaiah 11:1-9; Psalm 148; Colossians 15. 1-20; John 10. 11-16)*

**Sunday 15th October**  
**Trinity 19 (P23)**

#### BAXTERLEY

9.30am Morning Prayer

#### MEREVALE

11.00am Holy Communion and Baptism

*(Readings: Isaiah 25. 1-9; Psalm 23; Philippians 4. 1-9; Matthew 22. 1-14)*

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

### Forthcoming Events

Tuesday 3rd October

- 10.00am Morning Prayer at Kingsbury
- 12noon Revd Carole on Residential - back 5th October
- 8.00pm Compline **online only** via Facebook

Wednesday 4th October

- 9.30am Harvest Worship at Wood End
- 2.00pm Memorial Service for Angela Graham at Baxterley

Thursday 5th October

- 4.30pm Evening Prayer at Baxterley

Tuesday 10th October

- 10.00am Morning Prayer at Kingsbury
- 11.00-1.00pm Puzzle Library Open in The Old Stables
- 8.00pm Compline via Zoom (and online via Facebook)

Wednesday 11th October

- 9.30am Holy Communion at Wood End
- 7.30pm Deanery Synod at St. Clements, Castle Bromwich

Thursday 12th October

- 4.30pm Evening Prayer at Baxterley
- 7.30pm 'Being With' course (1) via Zoom

### Harvest Services

There will be collecting boxes for donations of tinned or dried food in all five churches during our Harvest services. Items donated will be taken to a local food-bank. Cash donations can also be made, and these will be sent to Water-Aid.

### Baxterley Service Times

From Sunday 15th October, regular Sunday services on the first and third Sundays of each month at Baxterley Church will be held at **9.30am** during the winter months. This will be for a trial period, and we will resume services at 4.30pm in the spring. This will not affect the times of special services such as those held at All Souls' and Christmas. Please talk to Revd. John if you have any questions or concerns about this change.

### Collect for Harvest

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 : Carol Makepeace

Lauren : Samuel : Hope

Kieran : Bethen : Sean

Kay : Rose Stubbs : Monica Paton

Patrick : 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

Maureen Morris : John Parkes

#### Married yesterday

Luke & Sally

#### Those who have died

John Cross

Sheila Seedhouse

Robert Perry

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

Revd Dr Michael Volland,

Bishop of Birmingham

Designate & family

..... 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:

Willow Close & Wright Close in Kingsbury; Blacksmiths Lane in Hurley; Edge Hill in Wood End; and Blacksmiths 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. John** or in emergency **the Bishop's Safeguarding Adviser, Steph Haynes on 07342 993844**  
[StephH@cofebirmingham.com](mailto:StephH@cofebirmingham.com)

## Readings for Harvest Festival

### Deuteronomy 8. 7-18

<sup>7</sup>For the LORD your God is bringing you into a good land, a land with flowing streams, with springs and underground waters welling up in valleys and hills, <sup>8</sup>a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, <sup>9</sup>a land where you may eat bread without scarcity, where you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron and from whose hills you may mine copper. <sup>10</sup>You shall eat your fill and bless the LORD your God for the good land that he has given you. <sup>11</sup>Take care that you do not forget the LORD your God, by failing to keep his commandments, his ordinances, and his statutes, which I am commanding you today. <sup>12</sup>When you have eaten your fill and have built fine houses and live in them, <sup>13</sup>and when your herds and flocks have multiplied, and your silver and gold is multiplied, and all that you have is multiplied, <sup>14</sup>then do not exalt yourself, forgetting the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, <sup>15</sup>who led you through the great and terrible wilderness, an arid waste-land with poisonous snakes and scorpions. He made water flow for you from flint rock, <sup>16</sup>and fed you in the wilderness with manna that your ancestors did not know, to humble you and to test you, and in the end to do you good. <sup>17</sup>Do not say to yourself, 'My power and the might of my own hand have gained me this wealth.' <sup>18</sup>But remember the LORD your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, so that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your ancestors, as he is doing today.

### 2 Corinthians 9. 6-end

<sup>6</sup>The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. <sup>7</sup>Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. <sup>8</sup>And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. <sup>9</sup>As it is written, 'He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures for ever.' <sup>10</sup>He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. <sup>11</sup>You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; <sup>12</sup>for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God. <sup>13</sup>Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your sharing with them and with all others, <sup>14</sup>while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you. <sup>15</sup>Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

Many thanks and congratulations to all who worked on and supported the **Harvest Supper and Quiz Night** at Hurley Village Hall on 23rd September. Over £900 was raised, to be shared between the three appeals (the bells at Kingsbury, the churchyard wall at Hurley, and the toilet project at Baxterley). Just as importantly, a wonderful time was had by all.

### 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:

**Sun. 1st Oct. - Harvest Octave Begins**

**Weds. 4th Oct. - 2.00pm Memorial for Angela Graham at Baxterley**

**Thur. 11th Oct. - Deanery Synod at St. Clements, Castle Bromwich**

**Weds. 25th Oct. - 11.30am Funeral Service for Sheila Seedhouse at Kingsbury Church, followed by cremation at Sutton Coldfield.**

### Luke 12. 16-30

<sup>16</sup>Then he told them a parable: 'The land of a rich man produced abundantly. <sup>17</sup>And he thought to himself, "What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?"' <sup>18</sup>Then he said, "I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. <sup>19</sup>And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry." <sup>20</sup>But God said to him, "You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?"' <sup>21</sup>So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich towards God.' <sup>22</sup>He said to his disciples, 'Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat, or about your body, what you will wear. <sup>23</sup>For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. <sup>24</sup>Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds!' <sup>25</sup>And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? <sup>26</sup>If then you are not able to do so small a thing as that, why do you worry about the rest? <sup>27</sup>Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin; yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. <sup>28</sup>But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you—you of little faith! <sup>29</sup>And do not keep striving for what you are to eat and what you are to drink, and do not keep worrying. <sup>30</sup>For it is the nations of the world that strive after all these things, and your Father knows that you need them.'

### Luke 17. 11-19

<sup>11</sup>On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. <sup>12</sup>As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, <sup>13</sup>they called out, saying, 'Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!' <sup>14</sup>When he saw them, he said to them, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' And as they went, they were made clean. <sup>15</sup>Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. <sup>16</sup>He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. <sup>17</sup>Then Jesus asked, 'Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they?' <sup>18</sup>Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?' <sup>19</sup>Then he said to him, 'Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.'



**Being With**

*A new course to explore the meaning of life together - Discovering Christian faith in a positive and inclusive group. No special knowledge or religious language needed, just what you have learned in life so far.*

A 5-week course starting Thursday **12th October**, via zoom to begin with, at 7.00pm each week. Places are limited, but do speak to Revd. Carole if you are interested and want more information.



### Jigsaw Puzzle Lending Library...

Free jigsaw puzzle lending library on **Tuesday 10th October at The Old Stables, Kingsbury Church**—between **11am-1.00pm**. Open every **2nd & 4th Tuesday!**

