

KINGSBURY/BAXTERLEY GROUP OF PARISHES WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



Merevale



Hurley



Kingsbury



Baxterley



Wood End



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29/08/2021—
Trinity 13 (Proper 17)

SUNDAY SERVICES

This Sunday - 29th August
Trinity 13 (Proper 17)

GROUP SERVICE
at
MEREVALE ABBEY RUINS
11.00am Holy Communion
(In Church if wet)

(Readings: James 1. 17-end;
Mark 7. 1-8, 14, 15, 21-23)

(1pm Baptism at Merevale)

Next Sunday—5th Sept.
Trinity 14 (Proper 18)

MEREVALE
11.00am Holy Communion
1.00pm Wedding—Niall & Jess
BAXTERLEY
4.30pm Holy Communion

(Readings: Isaiah 35. 4-7a;
Psalm 146; James 2. 1-10, 14-17;
Mark 7. 24-end)

Sunday 12th September
Trinity 15 (Proper 19)

HURLEY
9.30am Holy Communion

KINGSBURY
11.00am Holy Communion

(Readings: Isaiah 50. 4-9a;
Psalm 116. 1-8; James 3. 1-12;
Mark 8. 27-end)

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<https://www.facebook.com/kingbaxgroup.org.uk>

or on our Website

http://www.kingbaxgroup.org.uk/html/covid_19_coronavirus_updates.html

Forthcoming Events

Tuesday 31st August

- 8.00pm Zoom Compline (and online via FaceBook)

Wednesday 1st September

- 9.30am Holy Communion at Wood End

Thursday 2nd September

- 4.30pm Evening Prayer at Baxterley
- 7.30pm Wedding Rehearsal @ Merevale

Tuesday 7th September

- 8.00pm Zoom Compline (and online via FaceBook)

Wednesday 8th September

- 9.30am Morning Service at Wood End

Thursday 9th September

- 11.45am Funeral of Ruby Florence Govier at Sut. Crem.
- 4.30pm Evening Prayer at Baxterley

A Note from Revd John

Thank you everybody for your cards, prayers and messages of support following the news of the death of my daughter Debbie. Debbie's funeral will be on Friday 10th September at 2pm at St Faith and St Laurence Church, Harborne. Those who knew Debbie are welcome to attend — please let me know for further details and an idea of numbers. The service will also be livestreamed on the facebook page of St Faith and St Laurence Church. Family flowers only—donations may be made to the Brain Tumour Charity.

Merevale Walk Merevale Walk last Saturday had a total of 35 (hardy!) walkers and managed to raise a total of **£205.90**. Well done and thank you to all generous & hardy walkers!

A Quiz in aid of Group Funds.

A picture identification/anagram unscrambling quiz is being launched at the Abbey Service TODAY. Plastic folders with the quiz in, will be left at the back of each of the five churches in the group. Cost £1.00. The winning entry will receive a litre bottle of gin. The quiz will be drawn on Sunday 31st October at the next Group Service. All entries to be returned to Hilarie or David Samson by 24th October 2021. Return details are on the quiz sheet.

Joining Details for all Online Zoom Services & Meetings

Meeting ID: **999 516 9418** Passcode: **Twigster 3**

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

Collect for Trinity 13

Almighty God, you search us and know us: may we rely on you in strength and rest on you in weakness, now and in all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**



Please Pray for:

Those who are ill:

Bill Thompson : Rachel
Carol Makepeace : Lauren
June Arnold : Samuel : Hope
Kieran : Bethen : Sean : Doris
Kay : Vera : Rose Stubbs
Monica Paton : Patrick : Keith
:Glenys : Ruth Rogers
Carole Haines :Sandra Priddey
Muriel Wright : Pearl : Jackie
Betty Jones : Pam Bayliss
Diane : Fred : Joan : Sandra : Bill
Margaret Hewetson : Priscilla
Ann : Abi Coulson : Martha
Alison Southcombe
Margaret Pallett : Baby Hugo
Hannah & Olivia : Allan Morris
Chris & Mick Martin : Tony Carter
Wilma Berry

Those preparing for Marriage

Niall & Jessica : Neil & Michelle

Those being baptised

Elsie Hewitt : Oliver Cunniff

Those who have died

Olive Overton : Mary Bonislavski
Edna Pearson : Debbie White
Jacqueline Anne Marsh
Ruby Florence Govier

Please also pray for.....

any concerns you may have on your hearts this week.....

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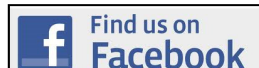
Roads in our communities to pray for this week:

Coton Lane & Coton Road in Kingsbury; Atherstone Road in Hurley; Smith Street in Wood End; and Merevale 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

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Readings for the Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Deut. 4. 1-2, 6-9

So now, Israel, give heed to the statutes and ordinances that I am teaching you to observe, so that you may live to enter and occupy the land that the LORD, the God of your ancestors, is giving you. You must neither add anything to what I command you nor take away anything from it, but keep the commandments of the LORD your God with which I am charging you. You must observe them diligently, for this will show your wisdom and discernment to the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, 'Surely this great nation is a wise and discerning people!' For what other great nation has a god so near to it as the LORD our God is whenever we call to him? And what other great nation has statutes and ordinances as just as this entire law that I am setting before you today? But take care and watch yourselves closely, so as neither to forget the things that your eyes have seen nor to let them slip from your mind all the days of your life; make them known to your children and your children's children—

Psalm 15

A Psalm of David.

O LORD, who may abide in your tent?

Who may dwell on your holy hill?

Those who walk blamelessly, and do what is right,
and speak the truth from their heart;

who do not slander with their tongue,
and do no evil to their friends,

nor take up a reproach against their neighbours;
in whose eyes the wicked are despised,

but who honour those who fear the LORD;

who stand by their oath even to their hurt;

who do not lend money at interest,

and do not take a bribe against the innocent.

Those who do these things shall never be moved.

Bible Reflections

During August we will be taking a break from our Bible Reflections series via zoom, but will be resuming them again on Tuesday evenings, 7pm from September.

Lifting of Coronavirus restrictions

Social distancing and the wearing of face coverings is no longer a legal requirement in places of worship. However, we do ask all those attending church to continue to exercise care and responsibility towards one another. Wearing face coverings inside the church buildings is recommended for those who are able to do so. Please continue to use the hand sanitiser available and to avoid close contact with those outside your household.

James 1. 17-end;

Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. In fulfilment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures.

You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls.

But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act—they will be blessed in their doing.

If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

Mark 7. 1-8, 14, 15, 21-23

Now when the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him, they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, 'Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?' He said to them, 'Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written,

"This people honours me with their lips,

but their hearts are far from me;

in vain do they worship me,

teaching human precepts as doctrines."

You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition.'

Then he called the crowd again and said to them, 'Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile.' For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.'

Safeguarding Training There will be a face to face Basic and Foundation Safeguarding Training session for the deanery on **Wednesday 22nd September** from 6.30 pm – 9 pm at St Peter and St Paul, Coleshill (Coleshill Parish Church). This is an in-person version of the online Basic Awareness and Foundation modules. It is designed for people who need to complete or renew this training but are unable to do so online. Please speak to Revd. Carole if you need to do this training but can't access the online version. We need to complete an online booking for you to secure your place so Revd. Carole will need the following information from you to make the booking – Name, Contact Number and whether you have any accessibility needs or other assistance.

There will also be a 'zoom' training on Thursday 2nd Sept., 7-9pm if anyone is interested. Let Revd. Carole know....

Licensing of Revd. Carole

A announced last week, Bishop David has agreed that Revd. Carole is to remain with us, continuing her ministry within our group of parishes. (Phew!!) To this end, she will be licenced as 'Associate Priest', marking her transition from curate and onto the next stage of her ministry, by Bishop David at Merevale Church on **Sunday 19th September**. The service will be at **10.00am** to enable Bishop David to attend another event on the same day, so do put the date and time in your diaries now. We hope to have some sort of celebration afterwards, and there will be further details of this in due course.