

KINGSBURY/BAXTERLEY GROUP OF CHURCHES

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



Merevale



Hurley



Kingsbury



Baxterley



Wood End



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16/11/2025 —
2 bfe Advent

SUNDAY SERVICES

This Sunday - 16th Nov
2 bfe Advent

BAXTERLEY

9.30am Morning Prayer

MEREVALE

11.00am Holy Communion

(Readings: Malachi 4. 1-2a;
Psalm 98; 2 Thess. 3. 6-13;
Luke 21. 5-19)

Next Sunday - 23rd Nov
Christ the King

HURLEY

9.30am Holy Communion

KINGSBURY

11.00am Holy Communion

FARM CHURCH

2.30pm at Wood End Church
(Readings: Jeremiah 23. 1-6;
Psalm 46; Colossians 1. 11-20;
Luke 23. 33-43)

Please welcome Area Dean
Louise covering the first two
services.

Sunday 30th November

Advent Sunday
(Year A begins)

GROUP SERVICE

10.30am
MEREVALE

(Readings: Isaiah 2. 1-5;
Psalm 122; Romans 13. 11-6;
Matthew 24. 36-44)

Please welcome Revd Canon
Catherine Grylls covering this
service.

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updates on our FaceBook
Page

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61563036555109>
or on our Website
<http://www.kingbaxgroup.org.uk>

Forthcoming Events

Monday 17th November

- 12.30pm Church Fellowship meet at Jubilee Court

Tuesday 18th November

- Rev Carole on annual leave on the high seas! (18th Nov to 1st Dec). All pastoral matters to Ruth (07494 794002) or Area Dean Louise (ad.coleshillandpolesworth@cofebirmingham.com) please.
- 8.00pm Compline online ONLY via Facebook

Wednesday 19th November

- 9.30am Morning Prayer at Wood End (Ruth)

Thursday 20th November

- 4.30pm Evening Prayer at Baxterley

Friday 21st November

- 12noon Burial of Ashes of Victoria Wood at Baxterley

Saturday 22nd November

- 10.00-12.00 Hot Dogs & Hot Chocolate at Baxterley

Tuesday 25th November

- 1.30-3.30 Puzzle Library open
- 7.00pm Advent Reflections in Baxterley School Room (1)
- 8.00pm Compline online ONLY via Facebook

Wednesday 26th November

- 9.30am Holy Communion at Wood End (AD Louise)

- 10.30am Advent Reflections (1)

Thursday 27th November

- 10.00am Bishop's Study morning at the Cathedral

- 4.30pm Evening Prayer at Baxterley

Friday 28th November

- 2.00pm Merevale Church cleaning afternoon

Wood End Christmas Fair raised a whopping **£1,235** at their Christmas Fair last week for church funds. Many thanks to all who helped with this event.

Advent Reflections 2025

This year our Advent Reflections will be 'A Walk through Advent in Hymns and Worship'. Starting Tuesday 25th November at 7pm in Baxterley School Room (and repeated on Weds. 26th Nov., 10.30am at Wood End) continuing for the following three weeks (2nd/3rd, 9th/10th & 16th/17th December). The four Sessions are stand-alone so not to worry if you miss one. All Welcome!

Collect for 2nd Sunday before 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 : Lauren : Samuel
Hope : Sean : Kay
Rose Stubbs : Glenys
Carole Haines : Diane : Fred
Sandra : Bill : Millie
Martha : Sheila : Trevor
Hannah & Olivia
Chris Martin : Brian Moss
Ann Gallagher : Marjorie Nunan
Helen de Renzy : Lionel
Jane Pratt : Felicity Cawthra
Danielle Hughes : Margaret Evans

Those who have died

Beryl Marina Asson
Peter Archer : Fred Nichols
Margaret Pallett : Geoff Tovey
June Beasley
and All families grieving the loss
of loved ones

Please also pray for

The new Archbishop of
Canterbury Designate,
Dame Sarah Mullally,
current Bishop of London



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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:**

Hazelcroft & Hemlingford Road
in Kingsbury; Charles Street in
Hurley; Church Close 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. Carole
or in emergency **the Bishop's**
Safeguarding Adviser, Steph
Haynes on 07342 993844
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Readings for the Second Sunday before Advent

Malachi 4. 1-2a

See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the Lord of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. ²But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall.

Luke 21. 5-19

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, he said, ⁶'As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.' They asked him, 'Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?' ⁸And he said, 'Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, "I am he!"—and, "The time is near!"—Do not go after them. 'When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately.' ¹⁰Then he said to them, 'Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; ¹¹there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven. ¹²'But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. ¹³This will give you an opportunity to testify. ¹⁴So make up your minds not to prepare your defence in advance; ¹⁵for I will give you words* and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. ¹⁶You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. ¹⁷You will be hated by all because of my name. ¹⁸But not a hair of your head will perish. ¹⁹By your endurance you will gain your souls.

Psalm 98

¹ O sing to the Lord a new song,
for he has done marvellous things.
His right hand and his holy arm
have gained him victory.
² The Lord has made known his victory;
he has revealed his vindication in the sight
of the nations.
³ He has remembered his steadfast love and
Faithfulness to the house of Israel.
All the ends of the earth have seen
the victory of our God.
⁴ Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth;
break forth into joyous song and sing praises.
⁵ Sing praises to the Lord with the lyre,
with the lyre and the sound of melody.
⁶ With trumpets and the sound of the horn
make a joyful noise before the King, the Lord.
⁷ Let the sea roar, and all that fills it;
the world and those who live in it.
⁸ Let the floods clap their hands;
let the hills sing together for joy
⁹ at the presence of the Lord, for he is coming
to judge the earth.
He will judge the world with righteousness,
and the peoples with equity.

2 Thess. 3. 6-13

Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. ⁷For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, ⁸and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labour we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. ⁹This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. ¹⁰For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. ¹¹For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. ¹²Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. ¹³Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

Compline on Tuesday Evenings will be online via Facebook **only** from 18th Nov. to 16th Dec. inclusive owing to Revd Carole on annual leave and then Advent Reflections.

Merevale Hall 'Christmas Cheer' - Weds 3rd December. Tickets £8 each available now.

Wood End Coffee Afternoon
Sat. 6th December, 2.00pm. in Church.
Home Made Cakes, Stalls and Raffle. Finishing with a few Christmas Carols. All Welcome.

Interregnum Arrangements

Our parish is now in interregnum and the Vicarage and it's 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.*

Dates for your Diary

Tue 18th Nov to Tue 2nd Dec -
Revd Carole on annual leave
Sat 22nd Nov - 10.00-12.00 Hot
Dogs & Hot Chocolate at Baxterley
Tue 2nd Dec - 2.15pm Funeral of
Geoff Tovey at Kingsbury Church
Wed 3rd Dec - 10.00-12.00
Merevale Hall Christmas Cheer
Sat 6th Dec - 2.00pm Wood End
Coffee Afternoon
Tue 9th Dec - 10.30am Funeral of
Margaret Pallett at Kingsbury Church

Jigsaw Puzzle Lending Library...

Free jigsaw puzzle lending library on
**Tuesday 11th & 25th Nov. at The
Old Stables, Kingsbury Church—
between 1.30-3.30pm.** Open every
2nd & 4th Tuesday!

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**