

KINGSBURY/BAXTERLEY GROUP OF CHURCHES

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



Merevale



Hurley



Kingsbury



Baxterley



Wood End



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01/02/26 —
Candlemas

SUNDAY SERVICES

This Sunday - 1st Feb
Candlemas (Presentation of
Christ in the Temple)

GROUP SERVICE
AT
BAXTERLEY

11.00am Holy Communion

(Readings: Malachi 3. 1-5;
Psalm 24. 7-end;
Hebrews 2. 14-end;
Luke 2. 22-40)

Next Sunday - 8th Feb
2 bfe Lent

BAXTERLEY

9.30am Holy Communion

KINGSBURY

11.00am Holy Communion

(Readings: Genesis 1. 1-23;
Psalm 136. 1-9, 23-end;
Romans 8. 18-25;
Matthew 6. 25-end)

Sunday 15th February
Next bfe Lent

MEREVALE

11.00am Holy Communion
(followed by Marriage
Preparation & service of
Thanksgiving for Marriage)

(Readings: Exodus 24. 12-
end; Psalm 2 or 99; 2 Peter 1.
16-end; Matthew 17. 1-9)

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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

Tuesday 3rd February

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

Wednesday 4th February

- 9.30am Morning Worship at Wood End
- 7.30pm Deanery Synod via Zoom (joining details via e-mail)

Thursday 5th February

- 4.30pm Evening Prayer at Baxterley

Saturday 7th February

- Please pray for new Readers to be Licensed at the Cathedral today

Monday 9th February

- 11.00am Funeral of Lily Mann at Wood End followed by cremation at 12.15pm at Sutton Crem.

Tuesday 10th February

- 1.30-3.30pm Puzzle Library Open
- 8.00pm Compline via zoom (and online via Facebook)

Wednesday 11th February

- 9.30am Holy Communion at Wood End
- 10.30am Funeral of Margaret Hazzard at Sutton Crem
- 7.00pm PCC meet at The School Room, Baxterley

Thursday 12th February

- 4.30pm Evening Prayer at Baxterley

Saturday 14th February

- 10.00-12.00 Kingsbury Green Clean

Monday 16th February

- 10.30-12.30 Church Fellowship meet in Jubilee Court Community Lounge, Kingsbury. All Welcome.

Wednesday 18th February - Ash Wednesday

- 9.30am Holy Communion at Wood End with Imposition of Ashes
- 7.00pm Holy Communion at Hurley with Imposition of Ashes

Thursday 19th February

- 11.45am Funeral of Margaret Evans at Wood End followed by cremation at 1.00pm Sutton Crem.

- 4.30pm Evening Prayer at Baxterley

Saturday 20th February

- 11.00-1.00 Snowdrops, Soup & Scones at Baxterley

Collect for Candlemas

Lord Jesus Christ,
light of the nations and glory of Israel:
make your home among us,
and present us pure and holy
to your heavenly Father,
your God, and our God. **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

Baptised yesterday

Brogan Mousley

Those who have died

Ann Butler : Lily Mann
Margaret Hazzard
Margaret Evans : Maureen Cox
Mary Simpson : Shirley Chapman
Emily-Jane Scandrett
and All families grieving the loss
of loved ones

Please also pray for

The Archbishop of Canterbury -
Dame Sarah Mullally,
That the right person applies
to be our next Incumbent.

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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:

The Laurels & Trinity Road in
Kingsbury; Hurley Common in
Hurley; Oakwood & Lewis
Avenue in Wood End; and
Smithy 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. Carole
or in emergency **the Bishop's**
Safeguarding Adviser, Steph
Haynes on 07342 993844
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Readings for Presentation of Christ in the Temple (Candlemas)

Malachi 3. 1-5

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. ²But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; ³he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. ⁴Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years. ⁵Then I will draw near to you for judgement; I will be swift to bear witness against the sorcerers, against the adulterers, against those who swear falsely, against those who oppress the hired workers in their wages, the widow, and the orphan, against those who thrust aside the alien, and do not fear me, says the Lord of hosts.

Luke 2. 22-40

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord ²³(as it is written in the law of the Lord, 'Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord'), ²⁴and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, 'a pair of turtle-doves or two young pigeons.'

²⁵Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. ²⁶It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. ²⁷Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, ²⁸Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying, ²⁹'Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; ³⁰for my eyes have seen your salvation, ³¹which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, ³²a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel.' ³³And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. ³⁴Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed ³⁵so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too.' ³⁶There was also a prophet, Anna—the daughter of Phanneas, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband for seven years after her marriage, ³⁷then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshipped there with fasting and prayer night and day. ³⁸At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem. ³⁹When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. ⁴⁰The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.

Psalm 24. 7-end

⁷ Lift up your heads, O gates!
and be lifted up, O ancient doors!
that the King of glory may come in.
⁸ Who is the King of glory?
The Lord, strong and mighty,
the Lord, mighty in battle.
⁹ Lift up your heads, O gates!
and be lifted up, O ancient doors!
that the King of glory may come in.
¹⁰ Who is this King of glory?
The Lord of hosts,
he is the King of glory.

Hebrews 2. 14-end

Since, therefore, the children share flesh and blood, he himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, ¹⁵and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. ¹⁶For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. ¹⁷Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. ¹⁸Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.



Dates for your Diary

Wed 4th Feb - 7.30pm Deanery Synod via Zoom

Wed 11th Feb - 10.30am Funeral of Margaret Hazzard at S/Crem
7.00pm PCC meet at the School Room, Baxterley

Wed 18th Feb - Ash Wednesday
Service, 9.30am at Wood End & 7.00pm at Hurley

Thur 19th Feb - 11.45am Funeral of Margaret Evans at Wood End followed by cremation 1.00pm at Sutton Crem.

Sat 21st Feb - 11.00-1.00 Soup Scones & Snowdrops @ Baxterley

Wed 25th Feb - Funeral of Emily-Jane Scandrett at Kingsbury

Fri 27th Feb - Funeral & burial of Shirley Chapman at Kingsbury

Fri 6th Mar - 1.00pm Funeral of Maureen Cox at Wood End followed by burial at Hurley



Lent Reflections coming soon!

Wood End 10.15am on 25th Feb and 4th, 11th, 18th & 25th March
Baxterley 5.15pm on 26th Feb and 5th, 12th, 18th & 26th March
More details shortly.

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.*

Jigsaw Puzzle Lending Library...

Free jigsaw puzzle lending library on **Tuesday 10th & 24th February 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 number: 0203 481 5237 and entering the ID: 999 516 9418 and Code: 570910568