

KINGSBURY/BAXTERLEY GROUP OF CHURCHES

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



Merevale



Hurley



Kingsbury



Baxterley



Wood End



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23/11/2025 —
Christ the King

SUNDAY SERVICES

This 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 these services

Next Sunday - 30th Nov
Advent Sunday
(Year A begins)

GROUP SERVICE

10.30am
MEREVALE

(Readings: Isaiah 2. 1-5;
Psalm 122; Romans 13. 11-
end; Matthew 24. 36-44)
Please welcome Revd Canon
Catherine Grylls covering this
service.

Sunday 7th December
Advent 2

BAXTERLEY

9.30am Holy Communion

MEREVALE

11.00am Advent Carols

(Readings: Isaiah 11. 1-10;
Psalm 72. 1-7; Romans 15. 4-
13; Matthew 3. 1-12)

Forthcoming Events

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

Tuesday 2nd December

- Rev Carole back in parish.
- 2.15pm Funeral of Geoff Tovey at Kingsbury Church followed by cremation 3.15pm at Sutton Crem.
- 7.00pm Advent Reflections in Baxterley School Room (2)
- 8.00pm Compline online ONLY via Facebook

Wednesday 3rd December

- 9.30am Morning Prayer at Wood End (AD Louise)
- 10.00-12.00 Merevale Hall Christmas Cheer
- 10.30am Advent Reflections (2)

Thursday 4th December

- 11.00am Funeral of Fred Nichols at Kingsbury Church followed by cremation at Sutton Crem.
- 4.30pm Evening Prayer at Baxterley

Saturday 6th December

- 10.00-12.00 Choir Singing at Hurley
- 2.00pm Wood End Coffee Afternoon and Carols

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!

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:

Pear Tree Ave & Perryman
Drive in Kingsbury; Meadow
Road in Hurley; Whately Lane
in Wood End; and Blacksmith
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
StephH@cofebirmingham.com

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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>

Collect for Christ the King

God the Father,
help us to hear the call of Christ the King
and to follow in his service,
whose kingdom has no end;
for he reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, one glory. **Amen**



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Readings for Christ the King

Jeremiah 23. 1-6

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. ²Therefore, thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. ³Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord. ⁵The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: 'The Lord is our righteousness.'

Luke 23. 33-43

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. ³⁴Then Jesus said, 'Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.' And they cast lots to divide his clothing. ³⁵And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, 'He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!' ³⁶The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, ³⁷and saying, 'If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!' ³⁸There was also an inscription over him, 'This is the King of the Jews.' ³⁹One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, 'Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!' ⁴⁰But the other rebuked him, saying, 'Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation?' ⁴¹And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.' ⁴²Then he said, 'Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.' ⁴³He replied, 'Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.'

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.

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.

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

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

Tue 18th Nov to Tue 2nd Dec -
Revd Carole on annual leave

Tue 2nd Dec - 2.15pm Funeral of
Geoff Tovey at Kingsbury Church

Wed 3rd Dec - 10.00-12.00

Merevale Hall Christmas Cheer

Thur 4th Dec - 11am Funeral of

Fred Nichols at Kingsbury Church

Sat 6th Dec - 2.00pm Wood End
Coffee Afternoon

Tue 9th Dec - 10.30am Funeral of
Margaret Pallett at Kingsbury Church

Psalms 46

¹ God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.
² Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should
change,
though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;
³ though its waters roar and foam,
though the mountains tremble with its tumult.
⁴ There is a river whose streams make glad the city of
God, the holy habitation of the Most High.
⁵ God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved;
God will help it when the morning dawns.
⁶ The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter;
he utters his voice, the earth melts.
⁷ The Lord of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our refuge.
⁸ Come, behold the works of the Lord;
see what desolations he has brought on the earth.
⁹ He makes wars cease to the end of the earth;
he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear;
he burns the shields with fire.
¹⁰ 'Be still, and know that I am God!
I am exalted among the nations,
I am exalted in the earth.'
¹¹ The Lord of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our refuge.

Colossians 1. 11-20

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully ¹²giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. ¹³He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. ¹⁵He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; ¹⁶for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

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.*

Whilst Rev Carole is away

please pass all pastoral matters to Ruth (07494 794002) or Area Dean Louise (ad.coleshillandpolesworth@cofebirmingham.com). *Thank you.*

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!**