# KINGSBURY/BAXTERLEY GROUP OF CHURCHES

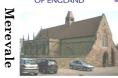
THE CHURCH



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER









Kingsbury







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11/05/2025 — Easter 4

#### **SUNDAY SERVICES**

This Sunday - 11th May Easter 4

#### **HURLEY**

9.30am Holy Communion

## **KINGSBURY**

11.00am Holy Communion

(Readings: Acts 9. 36-end; Psalm 23; Revelation 7. 9-end; John 10. 22-30)

#### Next Sunday - 18th May Easter 5



#### **MEREVALE**

11.00am Holy Communion followed by Annual Parochial Church Meeting

#### **BAXTERLEY**

4.30pm Evening Prayer

(Readings: Acts 11. 1-18; Psalm 148. 1-6; Revelation 21. 1-6; John 13. 31-35)

#### **Sunday 25th May** Easter 6

#### **HURLEY**

9.30am Holy Communion **KINGSBURY** 

11.00am Holy Communion

#### **MEREVALE**

1.00pm Baptism Service **FARM CHURCH** 

2.30pm Wood End Playing

Field - Johnson Street (Readings: Acts 16. 9-15;

Psalm 67; Revelation 21. 10, 22- 22.5; John 14. 23-29 or John 5. 1-9)

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## **Forthcoming Events**

#### Monday 12th May

- 9.30am Funeral of Alan Pratt at Lichfield Crematorium Tuesday 13th May
- 10.00am Morning Prayer @ Kingsbury
- 1.30-3.30pm Puzzle Library open
- 7.00pm Bible Study Group at the Vicarage (13)
- 8.00pm Compline online ONLY via Facebook Wednesday 14th May
- 9.30am Morning Worship at Wood End Thursday 15th May
- 4.30pm Evening Prayer at Baxterley Sunday 18th May
- 5.15pm Confirmation rehearsal at the Cathedral Monday 19th May
- 12.30pm Church Fellowship group meet in Jubilee Court Community Lounge. All Welcome.

#### Tuesday 20th May

- 10.00am Morning Prayer at Kingsbury
- 7.00pm Bible Study Group at the Vicarage (14)
- 8.00pm Compline online ONLY via Facebook Wednesday 21st May
- 9.30am Holy Communion at Wood End
- 7.00pm Confirmation Class at the Vicarage Thursday 22nd May
- 10.30am Funeral & burial of Margaret Ann Ellison at Kingsbury Church
- 4.30pm Evening Prayer at Baxterley
- 7.30pm Greater Deanery Chapter (Clergy & Readers) Saturday 24th May
- 11.00am Wedding of Iain & Rebecca at Kingsbury
- 6.30pm Kingsbury Quiz & Jackets see overleaf for tickets

This year's Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) will be held at 12 noon next Sunday 18th May at Merevale Church, to follow the 11am service. Please bring a picnic lunch if you would like to stay on for a time of fellowship after the APCM. Nomination forms for those who wish to stand for election as churchwardens or PCC members are available in all the churches

#### **Collect for Easter 4**

Risen Christ, faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep: teach us to hear your voice and to follow your command, that all your people may be gathered into one flock, to the glory of God the Father.



## **Please Pray for:**

#### Those who are ill:

Rachel: Carol Makepeace Lauren: Samuel: Hope Kieran: Bethen: Sean Kay: Rose Stubbs: Glenys Ruth Rogers: Carole Haines Diane: Fred: Sandra: Bill: Millie Abi Coulson: Martha: Sheila Trevor: Margaret Pallett Baby Hugo: Hannah & Olivia Chris Martin: Louise: Brian Moss Ann Gallagher: Marjorie Nunan Helen de Renzy : Lionel Jane Pratt: Felicity Cawthra Rose Lubbock

#### **Preparing for Marriage**

lain & Rebecca

Elliot & Nicolette: Tim & Harriet Those who have died

Granville Maddock: Alan Pratt Margaret Ann Ellison

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

Pope Leo XIV Bishop Esther Prior The Church of England in its discernment of the next Archbishop of Canterbury 8

#### **SEE OVERLEAF FOR READINGS & FURTHER NOTICES**

## Roads in our communities to pray for this week:

Oak Tree Close & Old Kingsbury Road in Kingsbury; Dexter Court in Hurley; Oakwood & Lewis Avenue in Wood End; and Hipsley 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



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#### **Readings for the Fourth Sunday of Easter**

#### Acts 9. 36-end

<sup>36</sup> Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. <sup>37</sup> At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. 38 Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, 'Please come to us without delay.' <sup>39</sup> So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. <sup>40</sup> Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, 'Tabitha, get up.' Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. 41 He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. <sup>42</sup> This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. <sup>43</sup> Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

**John 10. 22-30**<sup>22</sup> At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, <sup>23</sup> and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. <sup>24</sup> So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, 'How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.' <sup>25</sup> Jesus answered, 'I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; <sup>26</sup> but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. <sup>27</sup> My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. <sup>28</sup> I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. <sup>29</sup> What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. <sup>30</sup> The Father and I are one."



#### Psalm 23

<sup>1</sup>The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures;

he leads me beside still waters;

he restores my soul. He leads me in right paths

for his name's sake.

<sup>4</sup> Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil;

for you are with me;

your rod and your staff—

they comfort me.

<sup>5</sup> You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;

you anoint my head with oil;

my cup overflows.

<sup>6</sup> Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,

and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.

**Revelation 7. 9-end**<sup>9</sup> After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. <sup>10</sup> They cried out in a loud voice, saying, 'Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!' <sup>11</sup> And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, 12 singing, 'Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to our God

for ever and ever! Amen.'

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, 'Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?' <sup>14</sup> I said to him, 'Sir, you are the one that knows.' Then he said to me, 'These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

15 For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and

the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; <sup>17</sup> for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.'







<u>Upcoming Event:</u>
Kingsbury Quiz on Saturday 24th May, at Piccadilly Community Centre, 6.30pm for 7.00pm start. Tickets £10 per person - teams of a maximum of 5 persons. Bring your own drinks. Tickets include Baked potato with various fillings, and tea/coffee. Tickets available in all churches

#### **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**

Mon 12th May - 9.30am Funeral of Alan Pratt at Lichfield Crem. Sun 18th May - APCM after the

11am service at Merevale

Sat 24th May - 6.30pm Kingsbury Quiz at Piccadilly Community Hall

#### Jigsaw Puzzle Lending Library...



Free jigsaw puzzle lending library on **Tuesday 13th & 27th May 2025** at The Old Stables, Kingsbury Church—between 1.30-3.30pm. Open every 2nd & 4th Tuesday!