

The Parish Church of St John the Baptist, Bodicote

Serving the communities of Bodicote, Cherwell Heights, Cotefield and Longford Park

Our Parish Prayer

Ever living God, give us the courage to be your church in the community and for the community, and teach us new ways to share your love with all those around us. Amen

SUNDAY 1st JANUARY – Naming and Circumcision of Jesus

Diary for this week - all in church unless otherwise stated

Sunday 1st January

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

9.45am Parish Communion

Readings for this Sunday

Numbers 6: 22-end, Galatians 4: 4-7

Luke 2: 15-21

Monday 2nd January

Curate's day off

8.30am Morning Prayer (on Zoom*)

5.00pm Evening Prayer

Tuesday 3rd January

Vicar's day off!

Wednesday 4th January

9.30am Holy Communion

1.00pm Funeral of Jim Blencowe Senior

2.30pm Afternoon teas in Church House

5.00pm Evening Prayer

7.30pm PCC meeting

Thursday 5th January

8.30am Morning Prayer

5.00pm Evening Prayer

Friday 6th January

8.30am Morning Prayer

12.30pm Funeral of Bishop James Johnson

4.00pm Evening Prayer (on Zoom*)

Saturday 7th January

2.00pm Bingo afternoon in Church House

Sunday 8th January

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

9.45am Parish Communion

6.00pm Epiphany Carol Service

*Please ask Sarah or Nick for the links

This week we pray for all who live or work in Deer's Close and Lower Close.

Afternoon teas continue this week in Church House 2.30 – 3.30pm. The next one will be on Wednesday 18th January. Everyone is welcome to come along for home-made cakes, tea, a table quiz and some good company.

There is **bingo** on Saturday 7th January at 2pm in Church House. Cost remains at £5 for a book of 5 games. Prizes for line and full house. Raffle and refreshments. And remember, you can start bringing in your clothes donations for the Swishing Party!

Swishing Party Saturday 21st January 2pm in Church House Come along to our clothes swapping party and refresh your wardrobe. At the same time, you will be reducing waste! All clothes £2, reduced to £1 with a voucher for donating an item yourself. Free entry, refreshments available to buy and a raffle. New or gently used items of clothing can be brought along to afternoon teas, bingo or church services on Sundays 8th & 15th January. Thank you for your support.

Sarah's Bear competition entries MUST be in before the Queen Victoria sails on 11th January 2023. £1 an entry. Please see p. 10 of the December magazine for full information and T's & C's – your chance to win £100!

Unwanted gifts. Please do bear us in mind if you receive any unwanted gifts or have chocolates, biscuits etc left over from Christmas. We can always use them for bingo and raffle prizes. Sarah will be happy to take them off your hands!

Full details of our services and other activities can be found on our website www.bodicotechurch.org and <https://www.facebook.com/BodicoteParishChurch>

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