

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 5th MARCH – LENT 2

Diary for this week - all in church unless otherwise stated

Sunday 5th March

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

9.45am Parish Communion

Readings for this Sunday

Genesis 12: 1-4a, Romans 4: 1-5, 13-17

John 3: 1-17

Monday 6th March

Curate's day off

8.30am Morning Prayer (on Zoom*)

9-12noon Grange School in church

12.30pm 1st Lent Lunch in Church House

5.00pm Evening Prayer

Tuesday 7th March

Vicar's day off!

Wednesday 8th March

9.30am Holy Communion

5.00pm Evening Prayer

Thursday 9th March

8.30am Morning Prayer

2.00pm Come and See discussion**

5.00pm Evening Prayer

7.30pm Come and See discussion**

Friday 10th March

8.30am Morning Prayer

4.00pm Evening Prayer (on Zoom*)

Saturday 11th March

Sunday 12th March

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

9.45am Parish Communion

*Please ask Sarah or Nick for the links

The first of our three **Lent lunches** is tomorrow (Monday 6th March) raising money for Water Aid, Air Ambulance and Dogs for Good. This starts at 12.30pm in Church House. Join us for a simple lunch, with a choice of home-made soups and bread, followed by a hot drink. All very welcome – no need to book.

****Come and See!** We will be continuing **Bishop Steven's Lent 2023 course 'Come and See this week'** It is a mix of online content and weekly local discussion groups. See our magazine for full details or speak to Nick. If you're interested, you will need to sign up to receive the online content through your email via one of the following links:

For individuals (daily content):

<https://mailchi.mp/oxford.anglican.org/come-and-see>

For families (weekly content):

<https://mailchi.mp/oxford.anglican.org/come-and-see-for-families>

Discussion groups: To be held on **Thursdays from now until 30th March** at either of the following times each week: **2pm – 3pm: In Person only** – meeting at Church House, Bodicote. **7:30pm – 8:30pm: Hybrid** – meet on Zoom or in person at Holly Tree Cottage (contact Nick for the Zoom link) *It's not too late to join in!*

We are running the **Easter Experience** for Bishop Loveday again this year. If you can help out with any of the following sessions, please let Sarah know. Everything will be provided: 9-11.45 Monday and Tuesday 27th and 28th March, and 1.15-2.45 Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday the 27th, 28th and 29th March.

Weekly giving envelopes for the next tax year are now available for all who used them last year. Please do take yours. If you feel you would like to give to the church regularly in this way, please speak to Paul as we do have some spares! Donations can be gift-aided if you are a UK tax payer – just a simple form to complete.

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