

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 13th AUGUST – TRINITY 10

Diary for this week - all in church unless otherwise stated.

Sunday 13th August

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

9.45am Parish Communion

6.00pm Service for Mary Sumner day

Readings for this Sunday

1 Kings 19: 9-18, Romans 10: 5-15
Matthew 14:22-33

Monday 14th August

Curate's day off

8.30am Morning Prayer (on Zoom*)

5.00pm Evening Prayer

Tuesday 15th August

Vicar's day off

Wednesday 16th August

9.30am Holy Communion

2.30pm Afternoon teas in Church House

5.00pm Evening Prayer

Thursday 17th August

8.30am Morning Prayer

5.00pm Evening Prayer

Friday 18th August

8.30am Morning Prayer

4.00pm Evening Prayer (on Zoom*)

Sunday 20th August

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

9.45am Parish Communion

*Please ask Sarah or Nick for the links

This week we pray for all who live or work in Seedling Road, Pippin Close and Russet Street.

Mary Sumner 1828 – 1921 The national church celebrates Mary Sumner Day on 9th August each year. Here in Bodicote we hold a celebratory service around this time. This year's service will be at **6.00 pm today, Sunday, 13th August** and everyone is most welcome. Mary Sumner started the Mothers' Union in 1876 with a meeting of the women of her parish. She reflected on the importance of motherhood and encouraged women of all social classes to support one another. From these small beginnings it grew nationally and then worldwide and now has 4 million members in 84 countries. The ethos has now changed and the society is open to everyone - male and female, married or not, parents or not. Support to families and women and social justice are the main focus and everything is underpinned by prayer.

We will be celebrating **Creation Day** on **Sunday 3rd September**, starting with a guided countryside walk from Church House at 4pm, which will include some short stops along the way to pray for God's creation. There is the option to arrive at 3.30pm in order to decorate a stone to be placed somewhere along the walk. At 5pm we gather in Church House for refreshments, environmental information and children's activities, followed by a 6pm service in church. Full details can be found in our latest magazine. Please note: if walking, please wear suitable clothing and footwear for weather conditions on the day. Accompanied children and dogs on leads welcome but the route is not suitable for buggies or wheelchairs due to the terrain.

Dates for your diary: More details of these events can be found in our August/September parish magazine.
Sunday 3rd September 6pm Celebrating Creation
Saturday 16th September 2pm Longford Park Fete
Saturday 23rd September 2pm Bingo afternoons resume
Sunday 1st October 6pm Harvest Service
Friday 13th October 7.45pm Quiz night
Saturday 28th October 2pm Bingo afternoon
Saturday 11th November Bazaar – times tbc

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