

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 27th AUGUST – TRINITY 12

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

Sunday 27th August

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

9.45am Parish Communion

Readings for this Sunday

Isaiah 51: 1-6, Romans 12: 1-8

Matthew 16: 13-20

Monday 28th August – Bank holiday

Curate's day off

Tuesday 29th August

Vicar's day off

Wednesday 30th August

9.30am Holy Communion

2.30pm Afternoon teas in Church House

5.00pm Evening Prayer

Thursday 31st August

8.30am Morning Prayer

5.00pm Evening Prayer

Friday 1st September

8.30am Morning Prayer

2.00pm Wedding of Sophie Upcraft and Karl Zegarac

4.00pm Evening Prayer (on Zoom*)

Sunday 3rd September Creation Day

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

9.45am Parish Communion

3.30pm Meet in Church House for guided walk

5.00pm Refreshments and activities in Church House

6.00pm Celebrating Creation service

*Please ask Sarah or Nick for the links

This week we pray for all who live or work in Blackwell Drive and Glebe Field Street.

We will be celebrating **Creation Day** next **Sunday, 3rd September**, starting with a guided countryside walk from Church House at 4pm. 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.

The annual **Oxfordshire Historic Churches Trust Ride & Stride** takes place on Saturday 9th September, raising money for essential repairs to church buildings and other suitable projects. Half of the money we raise comes back to us. Rob and Marian would love to hear from volunteers who can welcome cyclists and walkers on the day and also those wishing to take part or sponsor those doing so. Sign up sheets are available at the back of the church.

Longford Park Fete Saturday 16th September 2-3.30pm in the Community Centre. We are looking for volunteers able to help set up at 1pm, clear away afterwards and run the stalls at the fete – help with any or all of these would be much appreciated. Please speak to Nick or Ann or email the office address below.

"Meeting God" – a 2 week lay-led course exploring prayer and our relationship with God. In the back room of Church House at 7:30pm on Tuesdays 12th and 26th September. Course booklets available from Philippa Brooks, who can give you more information.

The funeral of **David Andrews** will take place in church at 12 noon on Wednesday 6th September.

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