

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 – 31st DECEMBER – CHRISTMAS 1

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

Sunday 31st December

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

9.45am Parish Communion

Readings for this Sunday

Isaiah 61.10 - 62.3, Galatians 4.4-7

Luke 2.15-21

No Morning or Evening Prayer this Monday or Tuesday.

Wednesday 3rd January

9.30am Holy Communion

1.45pm Funeral of Jane Hackett

2.30pm Afternoon teas in Church House

5.00pm Evening Prayer

7.30pm PCC meeting in Church House

Thursday 4th January

8.30am Morning Prayer

5.00pm Evening Prayer

Friday 5th January

8.30am Morning Prayer

4.00pm Evening Prayer (on Zoom*)

Saturday 6th January

200pm Bingo afternoon in Church House

Sunday 7th 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 and work in White Post Road, Wykham Lane and High Street.

There are a very limited number of **Bodicote 2024 calendars** left. £6 each. Please speak to Sarah or email the office address to get yours.

The diocesan magazine **Pathways** is available at the back of church.

Bingo afternoons resume after Christmas on Saturdays 6th January, 3rd February, 2nd March and 6th April. 2pm in Church House. £5 for a book of 5 games. Prizes for first line and full house. Refreshments and raffle. All very welcome.

Dates for your diary

Saturday 10th February 10.30am -12noon. Big Spring Clean.

Monday 19th February 1st of 3 Lent lunches

Wednesday 21st & Thursday 22nd February. Lent courses start.

Friday 23rd February Quiz evening

There will also be another **Deanery morning** on Saturday 3rd February at St. Francis Church, Highlands, Banbury to which you are all invited. Speakers from Social and Racial Justice, Lay Vocations and Historic Churches and Grant Applications. Full details will follow in the next few weeks, Do put the date in your diary and consider coming along to all, or part, of it.

Should you receive any duplicate or unwanted gifts this year, please do consider donating them to us for use as raffle and bingo prizes. We promise to be very discrete as to where they have come from! Thank you.

Should you need to make use of the **Banbury Foodbank** over the Christmas period, we have been informed that it is operating normally other than on Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day. 01865 670596 or Email: trusselltrust@caox.org.uk

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