

The Parish Church of St John the Baptist, Bodicote

Serving the communities of Bodicote, Cherwell Heights 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 – 28TH JANUARY – CANDLEMAS

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

Sunday 28th January Candlemas

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
9.45am Parish Communion
6.00pm Evensong for Candlemas

Readings for this Sunday

Malachi 3.1-5, Hebrews 2.14-18
Luke 2.22-40

Monday 29th January

Curate's day off
8.30am Morning Prayer (on Zoom*)
5.00pm Evening Prayer

Tuesday 30th January

Vicar's day off.

Wednesday 31st January

9.30am Holy Communion
2.30pm Afternoon teas in Church House
5.00pm Evening Prayer

Thursday 1st February

8.30am Morning Prayer
5.00pm Evening Prayer

Friday 2nd February

8.30am Morning Prayer
4.00pm Evening Prayer (on Zoom*)

Saturday 3rd February

9.00am – 12.13pm Deanery Event – see opposite
2.00pm Bingo afternoon in Church House

Sunday 4th February

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 and work in East Street and Eastern Terrace

There is a **Deanery morning** on Saturday 3rd February at St. Francis Church, Highlands, Banbury to which you are all invited. Speakers will be: Polly Falconer; Diocesan Racial Justice Advisor; Andrew Hayes; Diocesan Lay Enabler and a representative from Oxford Historic Churches Trust, talking about grant applications. Each talk will last 45 minutes, including a Q&A opportunity, starting at 15 minutes past each hour, with refreshment breaks in between. The morning begins at 9am with refreshments. And it will end with a short plenary and act of worship, finishing at 12.15pm. You can attend for as many, or as few, of the sessions as you would like.

Brian will be leading his final service, before retirement, on Sunday 11th February at 9.45am. To thank him for all he has done, we are holding a **Thank You Brunch** afterwards. Please consider yourself invited to Church House for bacon rolls, smoked salmon bagels, Bucks Fizz and cake. If you could let Sarah know you are coming that would be great as it would give us an idea of numbers for catering, but don't let that stop you attending on the day.

Bible Reading Notes. The five different editions of notes produced by the Bible Reading Fellowship are on display near the prayer stand together with a sheet to sign up if you would like to use them. By ordering through the church, we can take advantage of a group subscription rate.

There is a sign-up sheet at the back of church for providing soups, bread and so on and to help at the **Lent Lunches** – please offer your help if you are able.

Big spring clean, Saturday 10th February 10.30am – 12noon Please come along with your feather dusters etc to help clean and tidy both the church and Church House.

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