

The Parishes of Kingsclere and Ashford Hill with Headley

Sunday 3rd February 2019

5th before Lent / Presentation of Christ

A warm welcome to all worshipping with us today. Please take this sheet home for your prayers and information.

Today's Services

8am Holy Communion (Headley)

9.15am Holy Communion (Kingsclere)

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, by whose grace alone we are accepted and called to your service: strengthen us by your Holy Spirit and make us worthy of our calling; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Reading - Mark 6:45-56

⁴⁵ Immediately Jesus made his disciples get into the boat and go on ahead of him to Bethsaida, while he dismissed the crowd. ⁴⁶ After leaving them, he went up on a mountainside to pray.

⁴⁷ Later that night, the boat was in the middle of the lake, and he was alone on land. ⁴⁸ He saw the disciples straining at the oars, because the wind was against them. Shortly before dawn he went out to them, walking on the lake. He was about to pass by them, ⁴⁹ but when they saw him walking on the lake, they thought he was a ghost. They cried out, ⁵⁰ because they all saw him and were terrified.

Immediately he spoke to them and said, 'Take courage! It is I. Don't be afraid.' ⁵¹ Then he climbed into the boat with them, and the wind died down. They were completely amazed, ⁵² for they had not understood about the loaves; their hearts were hardened.

⁵³ When they had crossed over, they landed at Gennesaret and anchored there. ⁵⁴ As soon as they got out of the boat, people recognised Jesus. ⁵⁵ They ran throughout that whole region and carried those who were ill on mats to wherever they heard he was. ⁵⁶ And wherever he went – into villages, towns or countryside – they placed those who were ill in the market-places. They begged him to let them touch even the edge of his cloak, and all who touched it were healed.

This Week:

Tue 5	Bible Study (*Km)	9.15am
Wed 6	Toast for Tots (*K)	9.30am
	Supper, Prayer & Praise (*KM)	7.45pm
Thur 7	Youth Bible Study (*Km)	7pm
Fri 8	Prayer Group	9.30am
Sun 10	Holy Communion (*K)	8am
	Morning Worship (*K)	9.15am
	Holy Communion (*H)	11am

K= St Mary's Kingsclere; H = St Peter's Headley

AH = St Paul's, Ashford Hill; Km = Kingsmill Rm;

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Post Communion Prayer

God of truth, we have seen with our eyes and touched with our hands the bread of life: strengthen our faith that we may grow in love for you and for each other; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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Notices

For those that haven't already, please sign up (lists on noticeboards in each church) for the Vision Day next Saturday, 9th February. We are looking forward to thinking about where we are now, and where God is leading us as a benefice over the next 3-5 years. The day is being led by Phil Dykes from the Diocese and will take place at Kingsclere school from 9.30am-3.30pm.

Supper, Prayer and Praise takes place this Wednesday at 7.45pm in the Kingsmill Room. Please let Emma Rivers know if you intend to come along.

“The Bible Course” looks at how all the books of the bible, characters and events fit together to form one BIG story. It's for everyone whether you are new to the Bible or want to go deeper. The first session took place on Wednesday, but there are 7 more sessions which will be run in the Kingsmill Room 7.30-9pm (apart from half term and the Prayer and Praise evenings on the first Wednesday of each month). The dates therefore will be: 13th February, 27th February, 13th March, 20th March, 27th March, 10th April and 17th April.

The duty rota for St Mary's for the next quarter has been added to Iknow Church (the new church database) and instructions sent via email to all those who have access. Paper copies are available for those that are without internet access. If you have any queries on the new system please contact Emma Rivers.

Thank you to all those who help at Messy Church at the school. We have secured dates for 2019 and would be grateful of helpers - there are a lot of things to do - from supervising the children's craft activities to washing up! The dates for your diaries are: April 2nd, June 25th, Sept 24th and Dec 3rd. In preparation for the April Messy Church we'll be having a briefing session in St Mary's on 24th March (after the 9.15am service) - please do come along if you're able to help or speak to Sarah Mussett.

The Prayer Diaries for February are available in each church today. If you would like an electronic copy sent to you, please speak to Emma Rivers.

Do you have a first aid certificate? If so might you be able to help on a very occasional basis at the Bus of Hope when it comes to Kingsclere? We have to have a first aider present and have a couple of people trained, but due to holidays and commitments elsewhere there may be times when we need to call on others to help. The bus only comes once a month on a Thursday evening 6.45-8.30pm so it would only be very occasionally. If you'd like to get involved at the Bus of Hope but don't have a first aid certificate, that would be great too - all help is gratefully received. All helpers need to have a DBS check done by St Mary's. Please speak to John Price or Emma Rivers if you are able to help.

For your prayers:

- Those who are ill or suffering: Freda Savin, Joe Carey, Doug Webb and Lynda McCallough.
- The family and friends of Bill Hull, Charles Nicolson, Marian Mitchell, Eric Passey and Alice Meads as they grieve for the loss of their loved ones.
- The Benefice Vision Day on 9th February