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For your prayers:

- Those who are ill or suffering: Freda Savin, Doug Webb, Lynda McCallough and Mary McBay
- The family and friends of Marian Mitchell, Eric Passey, Alice Meads and Iris & John Isles as they grieve for the loss of their loved ones.
- The BMAP group, wardens, PCCs and Ben as they consider the outcomes of the Vision Day before putting together the plan for the coming years for our churches.

This Week:

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| Tues 12 Bible Study (*Km) | 9.15am |
| Wed 13 Toast for Tots (*K) | 9.30am |
| Holy Communion (*RHC) | 11.30am |
| The Bible Course (*Km) | 7.30pm |
| Thur 14 Youth Bible Study (*Km) | 7pm |
| Fri 15 Prayer Group | 9.30am |
| Sun 17 Holy Communion (*H) | 8am |
| Messy Worship with Baptism (*K) | 9.15am |
| Holy Communion (*K) | 11am |

K= St Mary's Kingsclere; H = St Peter's Headley
 AH = St Paul's, Ashford Hill; Km = Kingsmill Rm;
 RHC = Rose Hodson Court; KPS = Kingsclere School

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The Parishes of Kingsclere and Ashford Hill with Headley

Sunday 10th March 2019

Lent I

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 (Kingsclere)

9.15am Morning Worship (Kingsclere)

11am Holy Communion (Headley)

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, by the prayer and discipline of Lent may we enter into the mystery of Christ's sufferings, and by following in his Way come to share in his glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Reading - Mark 8:27-9:1

²⁷ Jesus and his disciples went on to the villages around Caesarea Philippi. On the way he asked them, 'Who do people say I am?'

²⁸ They replied, 'Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.'

²⁹ 'But what about you?' he asked. 'Who do you say I am?'

Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah.'

³⁰ Jesus warned them not to tell anyone about him.

³¹ He then began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and after three days rise again. ³² He spoke plainly about this, and Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him.

³³ But when Jesus turned and looked at his disciples, he rebuked Peter. 'Get behind me, Satan!' he said. 'You do not have in mind the concerns of God, but merely human concerns.'

³⁴ Then he called the crowd to him along with his disciples and said: 'Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ³⁵ For whoever wants to save their life ^[a] will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me and for the gospel will save it. ³⁶ What good is it for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul? ³⁷ Or what can anyone give in exchange for their soul? ³⁸ If anyone is ashamed of me and my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, the Son of Man will be ashamed of them when he comes in his Father's glory with the holy angels.'

And he said to them, 'Truly I tell you, some who are standing here will not taste death before they see that the kingdom of God has come with power.'

Post Communion Prayer

Lord God, you have renewed us with the living bread from heaven; by it you nourish our faith, increase our hope, and strengthen our love: teach us always to hunger for him who is the true and living bread, and enable us to live by every word that proceeds from out of your mouth; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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Notices

During Lent we have invited a speaker from the Christian Charity "Open Doors" to preach. For more information on the charity and it's work with persecuted Christians please see their website

www.opendoorsuk.org

Ladies from our benefice are invited to a "Pudding and Coffee" evening at the vicarage on 12th March from 7.30pm. Please bring a pudding to share. Please let Bethan know if you are able to go along.

... and the men are invited to St Nics church in Newbury on 23rd March at 8.30am for a Mens Breakfast. If you would like to go along please speak to Ben for more details.

This year is a full revision year of the electoral roll—this means that **all names will be removed and everyone needs to re-apply**. It is important for all regular attenders to be on the electoral roll so that they can attend and vote at the annual meeting, but also shows the true membership and strength of the church in our parishes. The easiest way re re-apply is to fill in the online form at:

www.clerewoodlands.org.uk/electoral-roll

However, if you don't have access to the internet, please pick up a pack from the back of each church and return the two top paper forms to either Les Wallace (Kingsclere) or Rachel Chamings (Ashford Hill with Headley) or pass to Ben. The deadline for doing this is 15th March (Kingsclere) and 12th April (AHwH)

The next two dates for Supper, Prayer and Praise are April 3rd and May 1st at 7.45pm in the Kingsmill Room. A great opportunity to worship God, pray and share a meal together. We are looking for people to help with catering for these two events. If you are able to do so, please speak to Ben or Emma

Please put the dates of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) in your diaries. We'd like to invite all those on the electoral rolls to say a big thank you for your all you have done over the year, and celebrate everything that has happened in our benefice. We'll also have an opportunity to elect churchwardens, PCC members and Synod Representatives.

Kingsclere

1st April at 6.30pm in the Kingsmill Room for the APCM, then a meeting regarding the proposed re-ordering of the church at 8pm. Those not on the electoral roll wishing to come to hear about the re-ordering are welcome from 7.45pm for refreshments

Ashford Hill with Headley

29th April at St Peters Church, Headley. 7pm for refreshments with a 7.30 start

To enable us to have some time set aside for prayer we will be running a 24/7 Prayer Room at St Mary's from Good Friday (19th April) at 3pm until Easter Sunday (21st April) at 6am. More details to follow.

All are invited to the Warham Morning of Encouragement on Saturday 27th April, from 9.30am at The Malshanger Clubhouse, Malshanger, Basingstoke, RG23 7EY. Revd Tim Humphrey will be the speaker. Cost £15 which will include the cost of the day, lunch and refreshments. If you would like to book please speak to Emma Rivers for more information.

Those who have attended the "Time" events in the past at the Clock Barn will be excited to hear that another event is planned for the 14th May. However, this time the event will be held at Oakley Hall Hotel. For the moment please put the date in your diaries - more detail will follow nearer the time.

Owing to increased demand, the Care Group (Kingsclere, Ashford Hill and Headley Care Group) is now looking for more drivers. It's not a huge commitment and you chose when you can drive....but it offers an extremely valuable service to those in the wider community who are less mobile and need to attend local health or social care appointments. If you think you could help, please speak to Maggy Wallace, or email mjwwatershipdown@msn.com; or ring on 01635 298794

For sale: several items of storage furniture from St Marys including:

3 Drawer lockable Filing Cabinet

Grey 4 drawer filing cabinet

2 door metal cupboard

2 x wooden toy storage units plus plastic drawers.

If you would like to have any of these items please speak to Ben, Emma or the wardens by the 15th March and for a donation, they're yours! Anything left then will be offered for sale/disposed of elsewhere.