

What's on this week ...

WEDNESDAY 19th FEBRUARY 10.00am Wootton Wawen

Holy Communion by extension with Norrie Moore.

FRIDAY 21st FEBRUARY Flicks in the sticks 7.00pm Claverdon Church Centre

Downton Abbey (PG) starts at 7.30pm. Refreshments and bar. Admission £3 on the door.

What's on until FRIDAY 28th FEBRUARY ...

SUNDAY 23rd FEBRUARY

9.30am **Holy Communion** (BCP) Preston Bagot with Revd. Phil Hanson

11.00am **Morning Prayer** (CW) at Wootton Wawen with Norrie Moore and Judith Cox

11.00am **Holy Communion** (CW) at Claverdon Church with Revd. Phil Hanson

4.00pm **Evening Prayer** (BP) at Claverdon Church with Joy Cater

MONDAY 24th FEBRUARY 9.30am - 11.00am Claverdon Church Centre

Baby and Toddler group at the Church Centre.

WEDNESDAY 26th FEBRUARY 7.30pm Claverdon Church

Ash Wednesday Holy Communion Service with Revd. Phil Hanson and Revd. James Holden

THURSDAY 27th FEBRUARY 6.30pm - 8.00pm Claverdon Church Centre

Claverdon Youth Club meets at the Church Centre.

FUNERALS:

It is with sadness we announce the following deaths:

Elizabeth Compton of Havencroft Nursing Home, Alvechurch, previously Wootton Hall, funeral service at Wootton Wawen Tuesday 18th February at 2.30pm.

Gilbert Farmer of Langley, funeral service at Oakley Wood Tuesday 25th February at 3.00pm.

As we remember each of them our thoughts and prayers are with their families and friends.

NEWSLETTER

All items for inclusion in the next news sheet (23rd February) should reach the Parish office via email: churchesofardenoffice@gmail.com by 9.30am on the Thursday (20th February) of the previous week.

If you would like to receive a newsletter electronically please let the parish office have your email address or sign up through the Churches of Arden website: www.churchesofarden.org.uk

Churches of Arden Contact Details

From 1st February 2020 we are in vacancy

For all enquiries during this time please contact the Parish Office

Please contact: Barbara Lord, The Church Centre, Church Road, Claverdon CV35 8PD

(Tel. **01926 840100** E-mail : churchesofardenoffice@gmail.com)

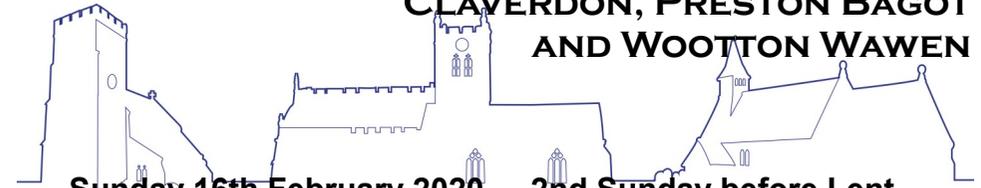
(Tuesday and Thursday, 10.00am - 2.00pm and other times by arrangement)

Church Centre Bookings Jane Whitehurst.

(Tel. **01926 843234**: E-mail: claverdoncentre@btinternet.com)

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

**CLAVERDON, PRESTON BAGOT
AND WOOTTON WAWEN**



Sunday 16th February 2020 - 2nd Sunday before Lent

Welcome to our services today. If you are new to the area and would like to know more about our services and activities please speak to our churchwardens or sides team on duty.

SERVICES TODAY

9.30am Morning Prayer (BCP) at Preston Bagot with Revd. John Coyne

11.00am Holy Communion (CW) at Wootton Wawen with Revd. John Coyne

11.00am Contemporary Worship at Claverdon Church Centre with the church centre team.

(CW) Common Worship 2000 (BCP) Book of Common Prayer 1662

The **Ash Wednesday service** will be held this year in Claverdon Church on Wednesday 26th February at 7.30pm. This marks the start of Lent and it will be a communion service including the traditional marking of a cross with ashes. The service will be led by Revd. Phil Hanson and the preacher will be Revd. James Holden.

Holy Communion by extension has now resumed at St. Peter's Wootton Wawen at 10.00am on a Wednesday morning. Norrie Moore will be taking the service this week. All welcome.

FRIDAY 6th MARCH 2.00pm onwards St. Peter's Wootton Wawen

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER All welcome

Rise! Take Your Mat and Walk.

This year, the women of Zimbabwe have prepared an ecumenical service based on the account in John's gospel of Jesus meeting with a sick man by the pool of Bethesda, and the focus for prayer is Reconciliation, Peace, and Love. You are warmly invited to join us at St Peter's Wootton Wawen, and to stay for refreshments after the service, which starts at 2.00pm.

Also for the World Day of Prayer on Friday 6th March at 2.00pm, there will be a service at Holy Trinity Church, Norton Lindsey, where they will welcome a speaker from Butterfly Tree Charity.

FRIDAY 13th March 7.45pm Dorothea Mitchell Hall

Fund raising is taking place for a new playground to be built in Claverdon in Spring 2020. The playground will be a new high quality, fun and engaging facility to be built on Claverdon's Recreation Ground. It will have over 15 pieces of new equipment, including: three tower multi play unit; toddler multi-play unit; social and interactive playhouse; a variety of swing options for all ages and an outdoor fitness zone for adults. There is a fundraising quiz on Friday 13th March at the Dorothea Mitchell Hall at 7.45pm. Tickets are £10 per head, which includes a fish and chip supper. Further details of the project can be found at www.claverdonplayground.org. Please contact Sue Sargent 07986 991560 email sue.sgt@gmail.com, Emma Foulerton 07989 573399 or Stuart Leonard 07736 301376 or email: claverdonplayground@gmail.com

COLLECT

*Almighty God,
you have created the heavens and the earth
and made us in your own image:
teach us to discern your hand in all your works
and your likeness in all your children;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who with you and the Holy Spirit
reigns supreme over all things,
now and for ever.
Amen*

FIRST READING Romans 8: 18 - 25

I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us. The creation waits in eager expectation for the sons of God to be revealed. For the creation was subjected to frustration, not by its own choice, but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be liberated from its bondage to decay and brought into the glorious freedom of the children of God.

We know that the whole creation has been groaning as in the pains of childbirth right up to the present time. Not only so, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for our adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies. For in this hope we were saved. But hope that is seen is no hope at all. Who hopes for what he already has? But if we hope for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently.

SECOND READING Matthew 6: 25 - 34

Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more important than food, and the body more important than clothes? Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to his life?

And why do you worry about clothes? See how the lilies of the field grow. They do not labour or spin. Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendour was dressed like one of these. If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? So do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.

TRUSSELL TRUST FOOD BANK APPEAL

The following donations of non-perishable food items are urgently needed, and donations for both Wootton Wawen and Preston Bagot are managed through the Trussell Trust. UHT Juice, Angel Delight, tinned fruit, custard/rice pudding, savoury crackers, sponge puddings, powdered milk, tinned vegetarian meals, washing up liquid, tin openers, condiments, deodorant, shaving foam/razors, small size washing powder/liquid. Please speak to your churchwardens for further information.

URGENTLY REQUIRED: Treasurer for St. Peter's Wootton Wawen

New year, new role? If you are interested in finding out more about this important role please contact churchwarden Steve Wiseman by phone 01789 205045 or email: stevann70@gmail.com.

BOX LIDS REQUIRED FOR EASTER WORKSHOP

A4 box lids are needed for the Easter Workshop! Please be in touch with Gill Evans if you are able to supply any (01926 842690).

FUTURE DIARY DATES ...

SATURDAY 22nd FEBRUARY 2020 From 8.30am Memorial Hall, Henley in Arden

Rev. James Holden will be speaking at Henley in Arden Churches Together Breakfast Morning. Tickets £10.00 available from Malcolm Aldridge 01564 794019. Event in aid of African Oyster Trust.

FRIDAY 28th FEBRUARY 7.30pm Claverdon Church Centre

LIVE AND LOCAL at the Church Centre - "Piano Divas" presented by Wendy Kirkland Quartet. Tickets from the Church Centre office.

SATURDAY 29th FEBRUARY 4.00pm - 6.00pm Claverdon Church Centre

MESSY CHURCH

Free afternoon of crafts, food and fun with your family. Contact Sarah Breen: sbreen@talk21.com for details.

SATURDAY 29th FEBRUARY (Leap Day) 5.00pm - 7.00pm St. Peter's, Wootton Wawen

"Occasional Brass" Concert: From the group which gave us the Amnesty Homage Concert. Blowing the Winter Blues away - in aid of the Served Appeal. Tickets £10, including a mug of soup in the interval, from Amanda Elliott 01564 794755 and Linda Gilbert 01564 793535.

SATURDAY 28th MARCH From 8.00am Claverdon Church Centre

The Women's Breakfast with speaker Mrs Sue Coyne.

"REALLY, GOD? ARE YOU SURE?"

Sue Coyne has never had a major game plan in her life, but after an incredibly conventional upbringing God has nudged her in a number of unpredictable directions.

Tickets available from: Joy Cater 01926 842149, Gill Evans 01926 842690, Liz Rayner 01564 792737, Julia Waldron 07557 919 206, Penny Hanson 01926 843421.

FRIDAY 8th - SUNDAY 10th MAY

VE75 Village Celebrations - Claverdon Community Choir

If you would like to join the village community choir - everyone welcome - contact Jonathan Evans on 01925 842690 or levcroft@btinternet.com.