

NOTICES

Sunday service links shown below

Via Benefice Website

<https://www.oldburybenefice.org.uk/video-category/latest-services>

Via You Tube <https://tinyurl.com/oldbury-youtube-channel>

Coffee Zoom meeting each Sunday morning at 11.30.

Everyone is welcome to join us and catch up with familiar faces.

We will send a new link out each week, (see below)

Please pass this info round to anyone you know who would like to join us for a friendly chat and get together!

Look forward to seeing you

Blessings Linda x

Click on the link below or type it into your web browser or search engine. If you have zoom installed on your computer, it will either open automatically, or ask you if you want to open zoom - you do, so click on "Allow".

You also need to tell it to "Use Internet Audio" if you want us to be able to hear you! If you have any further questions, someone will be able to help you

<https://tinyurl.com/oldbury-zoom-14mar>

Something New

We are inviting everyone to a mid-week ZOOM get together – A chance to bring your own questions and comments to discuss the Sunday sermon given by Linda/Matt. There will be a maximum of 2 questions from each, which you will find on the back of the notice sheet.

The link is shown below, please follow instructions as above:

Wednesday 17th March at 11am

<https://tinyurl.com/oldbury-Wednesdays>

Contact details

Administrator: Lorraine Stewart 01249 815198

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Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9.00am to 3.00pm

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(Work days Thursday, Friday, Sunday)

You will find contact details for the churchwardens in the Villages magazine.

Sunday 14th March 2021
Exodus 2.1-10, Luke 2.33-35
Mothering Sunday

the importance of friends and family



God of love,
passionate and strong,
tender and careful:
watch over us and hold us
all the days of our life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Next Sunday
21st March
Lent
(start of Passiontide)
Obedient unto death

Staying safe at services COVID-19

We are excited to be able to welcome you back into our churches, but we want to make sure that no one is at risk in doing so. We will do our best to keep you safe, but you can help us by following these simple rules:



Wash your hands before and after coming to church, and use sanitiser when you enter the church building



Keep 2m apart wherever possible



Please wear a face covering unless you are exempt - you will be protecting others



Please do not shake hands or hug, either during the service or afterwards



Please follow the instructions of the wardens at all time, especially if going forward for communion



Please do not arrive very early or hang around for long after the service

Children are always welcome in our churches, but unfortunately, we cannot provide toys or books at this time.

A loop system may be provided in this church. Please ask or check by switching your hearing aid to the "T" position.

Readings:

Gospel Reading: Luke 2.33-35 (NIV)

The child's father and mother marvelled at what was said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to Mary, his mother: "This child is destined to cause the falling and rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be spoken against, so that the thoughts of many hearts will be revealed. And a sword will pierce your own soul too."

Old Testament Reading: Exodus 2.1-10 (NIV)

Now a man of the tribe of Levi married a Levite woman, and she became pregnant and gave birth to a son. When she saw that he was a fine child, she hid him for three months. But when she could hide him no longer, she got a papyrus basket for him and coated it with tar and pitch. Then she placed the child in it and put it among the reeds along the bank of the Nile. His sister stood at a distance to see what would happen to him.

Then Pharaoh's daughter went down to the Nile to bathe, and her attendants were walking along the riverbank. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her female slave to get it. She opened it and saw the baby. He was crying, and she felt sorry for him. "This is one of the Hebrew babies," she said.

Then his sister asked Pharaoh's daughter, "Shall I go and get one of the Hebrew women to nurse the baby for you?"

"Yes, go," she answered. So the girl went and got the baby's mother. Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Take this baby and nurse him for me, and I will pay you." So the woman took the baby and nursed him. When the child grew older, she took him to Pharaoh's daughter, and he became her son. She named him Moses, saying, "I drew him out of the water."

Questions from Matt

Q1. Do you agree with the statement "God believes in you"?

Q2. Is there someone you can show that when God made them, he looked and saw that they were good?

If you have answers to either or both questions you would like to share, but cannot make the Wednesday morning chat, please email them to me - I'd love to hear your views.

Questions from Linda

Q1. Are there any realities in our relationships, we need to be addressing that get beyond chocolates and flowers?

Q2. Do you ever think of God as your Mother as well as your Father, if so what qualities would make you think in that way?