

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-7feb>

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 10th February at 11am

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

Contact details

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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 7th February 2021

Colossians 1.15-20

John 1.1-14

2nd Sunday before Lent

....and yet fully God



Next Sunday

14th February

Sunday next before
Lent
Mountaintop
experiences of God

Almighty God,
give us reverence for all creation
and respect for every person,
that we may mirror your likeness
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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: John 1.1-14 (NIV)

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

There was a man sent from God whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify concerning that light, so that through him all might believe. He himself was not the light; he came only as a witness to the light.

The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world. He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognise him. He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him. Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God — children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband's will, but born of God.

The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

New Testament Reading: Colossians 1.15-20 (NIV)

The Son is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation.

For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him.

He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy. For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.

Questions from Matt

Q1. If you could ask God one question, what would it be?

Q2. If you were God, what would you want to fix first?

Matt's Question from last week

Is there anything in your life where you need to learn to trust that God knows exactly what you're going through?

A truly relevant question, more so at the moment, given what we are living through. My answer to this one is:

Yes, there is something new each day!

We need to learn to hand over our worries and concerns to God every day. Then we need to pray about it and WAIT for an ANSWER from God.