

Service Times

Tuesday 1st February

10am Traditional Language

Eucharist
Astwood Bank

Thursday 3rd February

10am Mass
Crabbs Cross

Sunday 6th February

10.30am Eucharist
Feckenham

10am Mass
Crabbs Cross

10.30am Eucharist
Headless Cross

4pm Eucharist
Astwood Bank

4pm Christingle
Callow Hill Community
Room

Tuesday 8th February

10am Traditional Language
Eucharist
Astwood Bank

Thursday 10th February

10am Mass
Crabbs Cross

Sunday 13th February

9am Book of Common
Prayer Eucharist
Feckenham

10am Mass
Crabbs Cross

10.30am Morning Worship
Headless Cross

4pm Eucharist
Astwood Bank

Christ the King



Monthly Benefice Bulletin February 2022



As we head out of the season of Epiphany, we are conscious of the remaining days of winter that lie ahead, but many of us are eager to see the first signs of spring and new life. Many of us dare to hope that the worst of the pandemic and the disruption of the last two years will be behind us.

As a new benefice of 4 churches, we head into our first full year of life together. Even now we are making tentative plans for the year ahead. There will be a benefice wide Lent Course, details of which are on the back of this newsletter and preparations are slowly gathering pace ready for Easter! As the year progresses there will be other plans for the mission and ministry across the benefice and we'll keep you posted on the details.

We aren't the only churches looking to the future, our brothers, and sisters in Studley and Mappleborough Green are looking to recruit a Family Link Worker, see the advert on the back, is this something for you or someone you know?

As we look to the future the Archbishops of Canterbury and York have called for the Church to be 'Simpler, Humbler, Bolder' as we move into the future, and we know there will be change. There will be change for us in Redditch as the new Mission Area takes shape. But I think 2022 can be a year when we can be daring! We can dare to plan, to hope and to be optimistic for what lies ahead for we are people of faith and faith can move mountains.

What I would ask of you is to pray, pray for the mission and ministry of the church, for the plans we dare make and come! Come and be a part of the journey we are setting out on.

May God bless you in the days and weeks ahead.

Fr Glenn

Tuesday 15th February

10am Traditional Language
Eucharist
Astwood Bank

Thursday 17th February

10am Mass
Crabbs Cross

Sunday 20th February

10am Mass
Crabbs Cross

10.30am Eucharist
Astwood Bank

10.30am Holy Communion
Headless Cross

6.30pm Evensong
Feckenham

Tuesday 22nd February

NO SERVICE – HALF TERM
Astwood Bank

Thursday 24th February

NO SERVICE – HALF TERM
Crabbs Cross

Sunday 27th February

10am Mass
Crabbs Cross

10.30am Morning Worship
Headless Cross

10.30am Eucharist
Feckenham

4pm Eucharist
Astwood Bank

Lent Course

This year's benefice Lent Course is written by Paula Gooder and based on the TV series Broken. The course will begin on Ash Wednesday and run for 6 weeks. There will be two sessions each week, one in person meeting and the second an online Zoom session. Details are below. If you would like to attend, please let Fr Glenn know, particularly for the Zoom sessions so a link can be provided. A Separate leaflet will also be published with details on in due course.

Week 1	Wednesday Thursday	2 nd March 3 rd March	11am Astwood Bank Church 7.30pm Zoom
Week 2	Wednesday Thursday	9 th March 10 th March	11am Headless Cross Church Hall 7.30pm Zoom
Week 3	Wednesday Thursday	16 th March 17 th March	11am S. Peter's, Crabbs Cross 7.30pm Zoom
Week 4	Wednesday Thursday	23 rd March 24 th March	11am S. John the Baptist Feckenham 7.30pm Zoom
Week 5	Wednesday Thursday	30 th March 31 st March	11am Headless Cross Church Hall 7.30pm Zoom
Week 6	Wednesday Thursday	6 th April 7 th April	11am S. John the Baptist Feckenham 7.30pm Zoom

Arden Marches Churches Job Advert

Do you have a heart for seeing children and families flourish in all aspects of life, and a vibrant and growing faith in Jesus to share with them?

The Arden Marches Churches (Studley and Mappleborough Green) are looking for a creative and self-motivated person who is good at building relationships and communicating the Christian faith, to become our new Family Link Worker.

You will work as part of the church and in partnership with Studley St Mary's CofE Academy to grow our mission and ministry among families with young children. You will work with the school to support families (including those experiencing various life challenges), engage with the wider community, and support spirituality. You will work with the churches to a) develop our contacts with families, helping them become disciples of Jesus Christ, and b) develop opportunities for our children and families to worship God and grow in faith.

24 hours a week (14 hours with the churches, 10 hours in the school)

6 weeks holiday, Salary £14,400 For more information and an application form please contact Reverend Kate Mier 01527 852830 rector@ardenmarches.co.uk

Closing date for applications: Monday 21st February 2022

It is more fun to talk with someone who doesn't use long, difficult words but rather short, easy words like 'What about lunch?'

A.A. Milne