

The Tuesday bible study group (who usually meet 9.15am in the Kingsmill Room on Tuesdays) are having a break over Easter and during May and will return on June 4th when we will begin a 6-week study over the summer term entitled "Boldly I Approach" - all about prayer. Please do join us!

For your prayers:

- Those who are ill or suffering: Freda Savin, Doug Webb and Ruth Leah
- The family and friends of Alice Meads, Iris & John Isles, Mary (Nan) McBay, Eric Browning and Chris Earl as they grieve for the loss of their loved ones.
- Esme who is baptised today in St Mary's
- Sabela whose birth we give thanks for today in St Paul's

**This Week:**

Mon 29	Ashford Hill with Headley Annual Parochial Church Meeting (*H)	7.30pm
Wed 1	Toast for Tots (*Km)	9.30am
	Funeral (*K)	12 noon
	Supper, Prayer and Praise (*Km)	7.30pm
Thur 2	Youth Bible Study (*Km)	7.30pm
Fri 3	Prayer Group (Km)	9.30am
Sun 5	Holy Communion (*AH)	8am
	Holy Communion with Junior Church (*K)	9.15am

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 28th April 2019**

**Easter 2**

*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 with Baptism (Kingsclere)**

**I I am Holy Communion with Thanksgiving for the Birth of a Child (Ashford Hill)**

**Collect**

Risen Christ, for whom no door is locked, no entrance barred: open the doors of our hearts, that we may seek the good of others and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace, to the praise of God the Father.

**Reading—Luke 24:13-35**

<sup>13</sup> Now that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles<sup>[a]</sup> from Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup> They were talking with each other about everything that had happened. <sup>15</sup> As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them; <sup>16</sup> but they were kept from recognising him.

<sup>17</sup> He asked them, 'What are you discussing together as you walk along?'

They stood still, their faces downcast. <sup>18</sup> One of them, named Cleopas, asked him, 'Are you the only one visiting Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?'

<sup>19</sup> 'What things?' he asked.

'About Jesus of Nazareth,' they replied. 'He was a prophet, powerful in word and deed before God and all the people. <sup>20</sup> The chief priests and our rulers handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him; <sup>21</sup> but we had hoped that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel. And what is more, it is the third day since all this took place. <sup>22</sup> In addition, some of our women amazed us. They went to the tomb early this morning <sup>23</sup> but didn't find his body. They came and told us that they had seen a vision of angels, who said he was alive. <sup>24</sup> Then some of our companions went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see Jesus.'

<sup>25</sup> He said to them, 'How foolish you are, and how slow to believe all that the prophets have spoken! <sup>26</sup> Did not the Messiah have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?' <sup>27</sup> And beginning with Moses

and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself.

<sup>28</sup> As they approached the village to which they were going, Jesus continued on as if he were going further. <sup>29</sup> But they urged him strongly, 'Stay with us, for it is nearly evening; the day is almost over.' So he went in to stay with them.

<sup>30</sup> When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. <sup>31</sup> Then their eyes were opened and they recognised him, and he disappeared from their sight. <sup>32</sup> They asked each other, 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?'

<sup>33</sup> They got up and returned at once to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven and those with them, assembled together <sup>34</sup> and saying, 'It is true! The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon.' <sup>35</sup> Then the two told what had happened on the way, and how Jesus was recognised by them when he broke the bread.

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## Notices

A reminder that tomorrow (29th April) is the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) for Ashford Hill and Headley. It's a chance to say a big thank you for all you have done over the year, and celebrate everything that has happened in our benefice. We'll also elect churchwardens, PCC members and Synod Representatives. The meeting will be at St Peters Church at 7pm for refreshments with a 7.30 start. Please do keep the meeting in your prayers and consider if you might like to stand for election to the PCC. Please speak to Ben if you would like to know more about what is involved. The finances and statutory report is available in both Headley and Ashford Hill churches, as well as being on the church website, where you will also find Kingsclere's report.

<https://www.clerewoodlands.org.uk/news/annual-reports-and-finances/>

A reminder that anyone who would like to be involved in the small groups looking at the Benefice Action Plan should get in touch with Emma Rivers as soon as possible. From the Vision Day the 4 areas that are being looked at are: Discipleship, Welcome, Youth & Families and Buildings (although there is already a group looking at buildings). This is across the whole benefice and can be done over email or via phone calls not necessarily having to meet up. The ideas will need to be gathered in by the end of April.

The next Supper, Prayer and Praise will take place on 1st May. If you are planning on coming along please let Emma Rivers know so we can plan the catering.

The 24/7 Prayer Room which was open between Good Friday and Easter Sunday was fantastic, an opportunity to have some time alone with God and a real blessing for those that came along. If you'd like to collect the artwork, bible passages and prayers that were created during the weekend please do so this week - any left uncollected will be "recycled"!

The prayer room was such a success that we are planning to run it again - during the time between Ascension Day (30th May) and Pentecost (9th June) as part of the "Thy Kingdom Come" initiative. Please note the dates at the moment - booking and other details will be available soon.

Lesh and Sam have moved house but are in need of furniture and other items. If you think you might be able to help please speak to her directly or to Emma who has a list of the things that she needs.

On Tuesday, 14th May a women's morning: entitled "Why is it so hard?" will look at handling tough times with God's help. It will be held at Oakley Hall Hotel, Oakley. Coffee at 9.30, starting promptly at 10.00. Suggested donation £10.00. To book a place please email [timehampshire@gmail.com](mailto:timehampshire@gmail.com).

"The Life of Christ" is an unforgettable and moving experience performed by a highly dedicated cast in lovely Surrey countryside. A coach trip is planned from our benefice on Thursday 20 June.. Some walking is involved for the audience but help is available including a trailer with seats. Take your own picnic. Inclusive cost £35 max. The performance is between 10.00 to 3.30. Please register by 7 May with Tom and Mary Sneyd: [tom.sneyd.kingsclere@gmail.com](mailto:tom.sneyd.kingsclere@gmail.com) 291230 or Hazel O'Leary [hazeloleary@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:hazeloleary@hotmail.co.uk) 298507

Are you looking to delve deeper into the bible, but can't commit to a series of dates? Then the Bible Book Club is for you! The format means each evening is a stand-alone session so you can come to them all or just one, whatever you like! Read that month's book of the Bible before coming along, and then during the evening we will discuss and look at questions together. The dates for this term are: 15th May (Nehemiah), 19th June (Hebrews) and 17th July (James) All are at 7.30pm in the Kingsmill Room, St Mary's.

Please pick up a copy of the Term Plan in the churches this week. This shows the readings and sermon themes for the coming term, as well as dates for Bible Book Club, Supper Prayer & Praise and "Thy Kingdom Come" novena. If you would like an electronic copy please email Emma Rivers.