

Christ the King, Bradley Stoke

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GRIEVING THE DEATH OF DAVID CLARKE

Friends of Sandra Clarke's are warmly invited to join her at a service of prayers, hymns, songs and readings following the death of her husband, David. The service of "walking through the valley of the shadow of death" is this **Tuesday 16th May** at 3.30 p.m. here at Christ the King, Bradley Stoke.

FIRSTMONDAY MEN'S GROUP - SUGAR LOAF WALK

On **Saturday 3rd June** the parish men's group is heading over to Abergavenny and walk up Sugar Loaf, consuming doughnuts, bacon sandwiches and coffee along the way. We will leave Holy Trinity carpark at 8:00 am and return around 1:00 pm. We will walk at talking pace, giving us an opportunity to look for ways of supporting each other as we seek to live Christ Monday to Friday. To join in, contact Pete Moore.

BRADLEY STOKE FESTIVAL

This years' festival is on **9th - 11th June**. As before the local churches will be providing a free tea and cake stall. We have been asked to staff it, as last year, during the middle of the day (times to be confirmed). If you are able to help on the day or bake a cake please speak to Dave in the office.

Prayer for the week:

Risen Christ, your wounds declare your love
for the world and the wonder of your risen life:
give us compassion and courage
to risk ourselves for those we serve,
to the glory of God the Father.

This Sunday

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10.00 a.m.

Holy
Communion

Matt 5: 38-48

'Responding
to difficult
people'

6.30 pm

Evening
Worship

Sunday 21st May

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10.00 a.m.

Family Service
& Baptisms of
Oliver Short &
Milly Cooper

Matt 6: 1-18

'Dealing with
Ego'

6.30 pm

Holy
Communion

ANNUAL MEETING

We still have a vacancy for a PCC member to serve our parish and church as trustee, meeting 6 times a year with the PCC and 6 times a year with the DCC. We have two vacancies for Deanery Synod members. The Deanery Synod connects us with the wider church and serves as a key resource to aid us in our mission and ministry. The Deanery Synod meets four times a year and Synod members are also part of our DCC body by rights of their position. If you would like to stand for either of these roles, please contact Paul.

THY KINGDOM COME – 25th MAY-4th JUNE

We are joining into the "Global Wave of Prayer" called Thy Kingdom Come between Ascension Day and Pentecost Sunday. Please mark these dates in your diary. There will be a number of opportunities to pray.

<https://www.thykingdomcome.global> holds some imaginative options offered for households and homegroups to enter into this initiative to pray for our friends, neighbours and communities to come to faith in Jesus. Please join us as we Pledge2Pray. More details next week.

DUTY WARDENS

With the change of Warden, it is an opportunity to look again at reassessing some of the roles that Sue did as a church warden, which are not necessarily strictly only church warden duties. These include asking people to become duty wardens, whereby they deal with the practicalities of preparing the church, and being there for the services on Sunday morning and/or evenings.

We have discussed this before in church, but it has not been followed up.

Please can we all pray about this, so that up to 6-8 people (or more!) will volunteer to be responsible for one service per month, either morning or evening, or maybe both on one Sunday. Further details will be forthcoming.

THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who came to support me during the Bishop's visitation last week - Charlotte

