



***The United Benefice of Bradley Church
Eaton, Derrington and Haughton***

“Four Churches ONE Mission”



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Due to the current increase in coronavirus infections across the country, and the increased restrictions, and responsibilities, that are placed on us in the various Tiers, we have taken the difficult decision to close our churches for face-to-face services.

This has not been an easy decision, but we have considered your safety (as well as the safety of the church representatives) above all else.

Our churches will be available (where possible) for anyone who wishes to have access for personal prayer. To access your local church please contact one of the churchwardens who will try their best to facilitate this. In the meantime, services will continue to be streamed on Facebook by Rev. Cath at 10.30 a.m. each Sunday. Our Sunday telephone service at 5.00 p.m. and our Evening Service on Zoom at 6.30 p.m. will also continue and we encourage you to join us then.

Living Faith-Bishop's Certificate Course 2021

Following on from the success of our Advent course, we will be running a course entitled “Living Faith” from 21st January 2021.

The course runs for 12 months and has 3 x 10-week terms, in line with the celebrations of the Christian year. The completion of the course will end with participants being awarded the Bishop's Certificate. You do not have to do any homework and you do not end up with another job at the end of the course! Initially the course will be on Zoom, but this will change in line with the relaxation of restrictions.

Could you please let Rev. Cath know this week if you would like to attend as she needs to order the materials for each participant.



Epiphany (also known as Twelfth Night) marks the occasion of a time-honoured Christian tradition of “chalking the doors.” The way we do this — adapted for 2021 — is simple: take chalk of any colour and write the following above the entrance of your home:

20 + C + M + B + 21. The letters have two meanings. First, they represent the initials of the Magi — Caspar, Malchior, and Balthazar — who came to visit Jesus in His first home. They also abbreviate the Latin phrase, *Christus mansionem benedicat*: “May Christ bless the house.” The “+” signs represent the cross, and the “20” at the beginning and the “21” at the end mark the year. Together they represent a blessing on the home on which they are chalked.

Rev. Cath has been busy blessing houses in this manner this week and asks that you ring her if you would like a visit.



Evening Service Sunday 10th January 2021

Due to the ongoing risks of Covid-19 we will be continuing our Evening Service pattern on Zoom.

This will be at 6.30 p.m. on Sunday, as usual, and we look forward to seeing you then.

You can also phone in to the service by calling any of the below numbers. Calls are included in any packages with your provider. You will be asked for the meeting ID followed by a hash #. There is no password required.

Stay with us afterwards for coffee and a chat

0203 051 2874 / 0203 481 5237

0203 481 5240 / 0203 901 7895

Time 6.30 p.m.

Meeting ID 673 022 1165

Sunday Telephone Service 5. 00 p.m.

You are very welcome to join our Sunday telephone service at 5.00 p.m. each Sunday. Local call rates apply, and call costs are included if you have a package with your provider.

Dial **0333 0164 757** and you will be asked to key in a conference room number followed by a hash#. The number is **26781453#**. You will then be asked for a PIN number, which is **3635#**. You will then be connected.





Readings for the Baptism of Christ
The First Sunday after Epiphany
10th January 2021

Acts 19: 1 - 7
Mark 1: 4 - 11

Our food box donations are continuing after the success of Christmas. The non-perishable foods that you kindly donated have been passed on to the House of Bread and Hearts & Hands.

They have different criteria for support with HOB donating food parcels to those on state benefits; whilst H&H donate food parcels to those families who have suffered a loss of income but are not able to receive benefits.

Please keep any donations of non-perishable foods coming into your local churches. There will be collection boxes at each. In Church Eaton there is an additional collection box at the Royal Oak.



HOUSE
BREAD
WHERE THE HEART

Community Coffee Morning on Zoom

We are starting a community coffee morning on Zoom on Tuesday 12th January. All are welcome to attend.

Joining this informal gathering is easy. Just go to Zoom on your computer, tablet or phone and click the join button followed by the meeting ID 673 022 1165

Friday is Rev. Cath's day off. If you ring then please leave a message and this will be returned over the weekend. In case of an emergency relating to church please contact one of the Churchwardens.

For any Safeguarding emergencies please contact Ralph Howarth – Benefice Safeguarding Coordinator on 07734 702231.