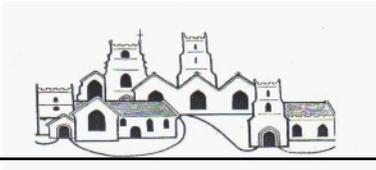


Welcome to  
The Sodbury Vale Benefice



**Sunday, 4<sup>th</sup> February**  
**Second Sunday before Lent**

8.00am	Holy Communion	St John's, Chipping Sodbury
9.30am	St John's Praise	St John's, Chipping Sodbury
11.15am	Family Communion	St John's, Old Sodbury
11.15am	Mattins	St James', Horton
6.00pm	Evensong	St Adeline's, Little Sodbury

**Collect**

Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the earth and made us in your own image: teach us to discern your hand in all your works and your likeness in all your children; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things, now and for ever.

**Readings**

Colossians 1: 15 - 20      John 1: 1 - 14

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**What's on this Week**

Tues 6 <sup>th</sup>	9.15am	Storkies	St Lawrence's Church Hall, CS
Thur 8 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am 10.45am 11.15am	<b>Holy Communion</b> Coffee Shop Prayer for Outreach	<b>St John's Church, CS</b> Church Centre, CS Church Centre (Upstairs), CS
Sat 10 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Baptism Preparation Morning	Church Centre, CS

This years lent group will be looking at 'Fruitfulness on the Frontline' the course will run on a Wednesday Evening at 7.30pm at the Church Centre, and repeated on a Thursday Morning at 11.00am for those for whom a daytime session is easier.

During Holy Week there will be a series of reflective services around the Benefice - see all the details in Outlook Magazine.

**Sunday, 11<sup>th</sup> February 2018**  
**Second Next before Lent**

9.30am	Parish Communion	St John's, Chipping Sodbury
11.15am	Family Service	St John's, Old Sodbury
11.15am	Holy Communion	St James the Elder, Horton
6.00pm	Evensong	St Adeline's, Little Sodbury

## Remembrance Sunday

### ACT OF REMEMBRANCE

Let us remember before God, and commend to His sure keeping:

Those who have died or been wounded for their country in war

Those whom we knew, and whose memory we treasure

and all who have lived and died in the service of mankind

*The List is read out*

*Then shall be said*

They shall not grow old as we that are left are old:

Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.

At the going down of the sun

We will remember them

**ALL We shall remember them**

***2 minute silence***

Minister

Almighty and eternal God, from whose love in Christ we cannot be parted, either by death or life: Hear our prayers and thanksgivings for those we remember today; fulfil in them the purpose of your love: and bring us all, with them, to Your eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## The National Anthem

God save our gracious Queen

Long live our noble Queen

God Save our Queen

Send her victorious

Happy and glorious

Long to reign over us

God save the Queen

Thy choicest gifts in store

On her be pleased to Store

Long may she reign

May she defend our laws

And ever give us cause

To sing with heart and voice

God save our Queen

### **1 Thessalonians 4: 13 - end**

But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord for ever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

### **Matthew 25: 1 - 13**

Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, "Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him." Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, "Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out." But the wise replied, "No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves." And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, "Lord, lord, open to us." But he replied, "Truly I tell you, I do not know you." Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.