

Welcome to Bawdrip!



Welcome to Bawdrip. We're delighted to welcome you on behalf of the village church- St Michael and All Angels. This leaflet gives you details of the church and some useful village information.

St Michaels and All Angels is located in the centre of the village and we always aim to ensure that it is also at the heart of the village. It has a very peaceful atmosphere and is kept open every day. There is the opportunity to leave requests for prayer in the church.

It is of 14th century origin. The outstanding feature is its cruciform, aisle-less structure with a central tower,

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believed to be one of only seven of its type in the country. The tower houses a peal of four bells and we have our own bell-ringing group in the village who are completing their training.

There is a parish hall in the village in Eastside Lane. We use it for our events and there are a number of external groups that are also using it on a regular basis. It is available for hire.

The regular church attendance is small. We have a regular pattern of Sunday services (1st and 3rd Sunday 11am Communion and 2nd and 4th Sunday Book of Common Prayer Evensong at 6.30pm). The fifth Sunday is dedicated to a Benefice Communion.

We are in an interregnum and are currently seeking a new Rector for the Benefice. We are particularly fortunate in Bawdrip in having Bill Hubbock living here. With his 40+ years of experience as a Lay Minister (Reader) and extraordinary energy he is very active within the village and the Benefice as a whole.

We are small in number but not afraid of trying different styles of worship. We are committed to being as open and inclusive as possible.

We are part of a wider Benefice together with the churches of Cossington and Woolavington. We have our own pages in the Benefice 'Link' magazine that is

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published 10 times per year. Upcoming events and reports of events are published along with general parish news.

As part of our vision of improving fellowship within the village we run, for a small church, a wide variety of events. We have regular coffee mornings and events such as BBQ's, quiz evenings, themed meals and dancing. Special services are held to celebrate the key moments in the Church's year. We also run a regular monthly Luncheon Club on the second Wednesday in the month providing meals for up to 35 people from across the Benefice.

Useful local information:

- Waste collection is on Thursday mornings. Recycling and food bins are collected weekly and the larger wheelie bins for non recyclable items fortnightly.
- The mobile library calls on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 12.30.
- There is a post box in the centre of the village.
- The Co-op in Woolavington sells papers, fresh bread and a good range of items. It includes a Post Office.
- The village pub is the Knowle Inn on the A39.

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- National cycle path 3, part of the Sustrans network, passes through the village and links Bawdrip with the villages of Chedzoy and Cossington.
- The primary school in the village is called Kingsmoor and the Head Teacher is Mr Bird
Tel: 01278 683371
- The village hall is available for hire for private functions. Cost £5 an hour. Contact Sally Wallington on 01278684250.
- **For information on the village and advice on local facilities contact Eddie Crane:**
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