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SUNDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER, 2018

Church News

TODAY Trinity 16

10:00 SPP, Dinton

Morning Worship

Leaders: Rev. Nigel Featherston Readings: Revelation 22.1-7 & John 4. 1-15

10:30 SJB, Stone

Morning Worship

Leaders: David Pickup & Canon Phil Groves Readings: Revelation 22. 1-7 & John 4.1-15

THIS WEEK

19:30

Choir Practice, 29b Eythrope Road

10:30

Choir Practice, St John the Baptist, Stone

9:00

Matins, SJB, Stone

Leaders: David Robinson

10:30

Holy Communion, SJB, Stone

Leader: Phil Groves

16:00

Readings: Col 1.15-23 & John 3.16-21 All Age Messy Church, SPP, Dinton

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Coffee Cup Collection September and October

ur coffee cup collection is for the work of the Prison Fellowship. They run the 'Angel Tree' project which we have supported before. It supports the relationship between offenders and their children by enabling them to send a small gift to their children at Christmas. It also runs 'Sycamore Tree' courses in prisons that encourage offenders to take responsibility for their crimes and to recognise the impact it has had on their victims.

It is based on the story of Zacchaeus in the gospel of Luke. October 14th- 20th is National Prisons week and on October 21st Revd. Sue Smith who is a prison chaplain will be speaking to us in our morning service. We will also be serving 'real' coffee that has been roasted by the young offenders in Aylesbury prison.

Do You Have A New Neighbour?

f so then we need to WELCOME them to the street, church and community. In the porch you will find one of the new WELCOME Packs all ready to go, just add an up to date Parish News and go and meet and greet your new neighbour.

The pack will provide a talking point and a lot of information for your new neighbour.

It's all of our responsibility to do this and even if you don't manage to speak to your new neighbour please leave the pack for them.

Focus Group—Bereavement

nderstanding and working with and through bereavement. Starting 17th September (6 fortnightly sessions) at St Nicholas Church, Cuddington. There will be tea/coffee at 7.45pm and we will start promptly at 8pm and will finish no later than 9.30pm.

If could would like to join this group please could you let Julie at the Benefice Office know (Tele: 01844 291108)

Cafe in the Park with Bacon Rolls

e are pleased to confirm that the Café in the Park will be open again on October 6th. We will be offering bacon rolls and 'real' coffee as well as home-made cakes. We will be open 10.00am – 12.00pm so please make a note of the date and invite your friends and neighbours to come with you.

Café in the Park is a community meeting point, it is not a fundraising event so we do not charge for refreshments but we accept donations towards the running costs.

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Stone Memorial Needs You

It would be nice to decorate the memorial with knitted poppies for the 100 year remembrance service to be held at the recreation ground. I have started knitting but realise that I can't do this without lots of help; this is where you and your friends come in. Would you help me to either knit or crochet poppies? size and shade of red doesn't matter it's just the quantity!

There are lots of patterns on the internet but the one I have is very simple but effective. I can let you have a copy by email or you can collect one from the box in Stone church porch where all completed poppies can be left. I hope to get more collection points as we go along.

Time is ticking so please get knitting or crocheting and encourage anyone who you know to join in too. We can not have too many!

Thanking you in advance.

Sue Birrell PCC-secretary@stonedintonhartwell.com

Safeguarding Officer

veryone who participates in any church event should know they are safe. This is true for young and old, women and men. We all should know we are safe.

In order to ensure we are as welcoming as possible our lay and ordained ministers regularly attend training and we are asking anyone who welcomes people, or has any role to do the same.

We are in search for a new Safeguarding Officer to organise us and encourage us. They will also know what to do if anything is reported. They will work with Benefice team and have support. Please consider if you are the right person to take on this role. Contact Canon Phil - 01296 748390 Please pray with us:

Dear Lord, you counted vulnerable people and children as your friends.

You sat with them, held their hands, and loved them.

We want to be confident in maintaining safety for all.

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We pray that you will send your Spirit on us and give confidence to one of us to take up the role of Safeguarding Officer.

Give us the grace to support them in their role. Amen

Pewsheet Team

In recent years our weekly pewsheet has been put together, printed, and delivered to church by a small team. Despite being very busy, they have faithfully done this for us week after week and we are very grateful to them. It is now time to share the load. We would like to put together a team of 3 or 4 people who would take it in turns to run the pewsheet. If you are interested in serving our church in this way please speak to Jenny Pickup or email pewsheet@stonedintonhartwell.com

Wychert Vale Benefice



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Finance Update

ncome - In February 2018 giving totalled £581.75. Now giving is over £1,800 a month. A big THANK YOU to everyone for their financial giving - whether via Parish Giving, envelope or service collection.

The Open Gardens in Stone on 1/7/18 raised £532.50. The Mike Trotman gig in Dinton raised £440.00.

Thank you to the organisers for the hard work and the attendees – I know both events were enjoyed by many.

Parish Share - We have just paid a second £6,000 to the Diocese towards our Parish Share. We hope to make a similar payment (or more) before the end of the year.

Grants / Awards - Please look out for any grants/awards we can apply for. Tony Lisk applied to Midcounties Co-op and was awarded £200 to replace the mowers at Stone. If you see an opportunity and need help on figures, etc – I am happy to help.

Naomi Corbould, Treasurer of Stone, Dinton & Hartwell PCC

Hymn

ill your anchor hold in the storms of life,
When the clouds unfold their wings of strife?
When the strong tides lift and the cables strain,
Will your anchor drift, or firm remain?

Refrain

We have an anchor that keeps the soul Steadfast and sure while the billows roll, Fastened to the Rock which cannot move, Grounded firm and deep in the Saviour's love.

It is safely moored, 'twill the storm withstand, For 'tis well secured by the Saviour's hand; And the cables, passed from His heart to mine, Can defy that blast, thro' strength divine. Refrain

When our eyes behold through the gath'ring night The city of gold, our harbour bright, We shall anchor fast by the heav'nly shore, With the storms all past forevermore.

Refrain