

## Prayer ministry

Prayer requests can be sent in to the website. These will go to a prayer team within the church community who are committed to praying to God for situations and for others. You may wonder what you can do to help others - praying is the BEST AND MOST IMPORTANT THING WE CAN DO. You may like to consider joining the prayer team (whether just during this difficult time or more permanently) and can do so by sending an email to Raymond giving your permission to use your email address for this purpose. [raymond.medhurst@stonedintonhartwell.com](mailto:raymond.medhurst@stonedintonhartwell.com)

### A Prayer for Kindness



*The widow gave her mite with humility.  
It seemed insignificant, but it was all she had.  
You said that she had given more than the rich,  
who gave a small proportion from their abundance.  
You know, Lord, that making a difference  
is not just for those who famously achieve great things.  
For one small word offered with wisdom at the right time,  
to the right person, can change and transform a life.  
Help us to value small and simple acts of kindness.  
Enable us to listen to your promptings and respond to our instincts.  
Help us to listen for you in others,  
offering ourselves to you day in –day out.  
Amen*

*Prayer by Alison Webster (from the Diocesan newsletter)*

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**Please send anything for inclusion in the pewsheetsheet by 7pm on a Friday**

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Wychert Vale Benefice  
[www.wychertvale.org](http://www.wychertvale.org)



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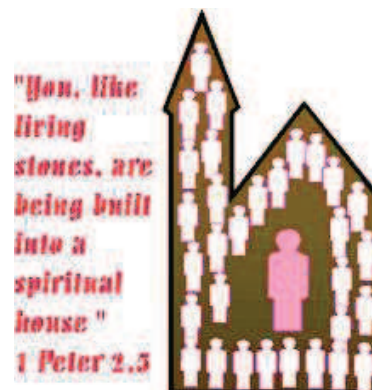
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## St. John the Baptist STONE

Sunday 10th MAY

5th SUNDAY OF EASTER



Our church building may be closed but we can still celebrate the good news that Christ is risen.

On the parish website you will find a service of Holy Communion which has been specially video recorded for us by Revd. Phil Groves for today the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter. It is also the beginning of Christian Aid week.

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The reading today is 1 Peter 2: 4-10. Canon Phil will also help us to consider what it means to be a church when our buildings are closed for public worship.

There are other new resources on the website too! It is well worth taking a look at the Bible study led by David Robinson, and also the VE Day service if you haven't already seen it.

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### Church services for those without the internet



Church at Home services from the Diocese of Oxford can now be accessed by telephone. **Dial 01865 920930** to hear the latest service (press 0= short service, 1= full service). Normal call rates apply. **Please pass this message on to anyone you know who might welcome this way to be involved in worship at this time.**

### Morning Prayers

It has been the normal practice of the clergy to meet on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday in different churches across the benefice to which anyone can come and join in. We are no longer able to do that so have decided to meet online via Zoom. Meetings are scheduled to start at 9am and run for 15-20 minutes, Monday to Friday.

Words for the order of service are available on the website. Please have a Bible to hand to follow the daily reading which will be given out each day.

The meeting ID and password remain the same for each day.

Please do join with us when you would wish to and everyone is welcome.

### **Daily-09:00 – 09:30 - Monday to Friday**

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/75288113640?pwd=NIJSRmF4aUtlVHJlRHVpUFdjR3luUT09>

Meeting ID: 752 8811 3640

Password: 1Xe8iB

### A prayer for key workers



Bless, O God, all our key workers who are labouring long and hard for the rest of us. Keep them safe, bless their endeavours and give them strength. Let them feel cherished by you and respected by the ones in their care. May we all uphold them in your name and remember their families left at home: please guard and protect them too. Have mercy on us all, dear Father. Amen.

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### Stone's Community Response to Coronavirus

The **Stone Community Support Group** is busy out in Stone every day - helping self-isolators stay in and keep safe. After being buddied up with a nearby helper people are having prescriptions picked up, friendly phone calls, daily paper deliveries, shopping, dog walking, etc. (anything within reason!).

If you should be 'Staying Home and Staying Safe' please feel free to ring Naomi and she will arrange for a volunteer to help you. **It isn't too late to ask.**

A big thank you to all volunteers (including Naomi and Clive). Please give them a call if you need any help or know of anyone else who does.

Naomi and Clive Corbould - 01296 747689

### An extract from the Christian Aid website - Daily prayer and reflection with guest speakers

As we celebrate Christian Aid Week virtually this year we really want to come together as a community at a time when the world needs this more than ever.

We have all been heartened to see the incredible stories of collective action, local neighbourhood help, and prayer. Now is the time to stand together in love and solidarity.

We would like to join in with our daily prayer and reflection during Christian Aid Week, so we can join together in online prayer.

Daily reflections will be taking place on the Christian Aid Facebook page, every day Monday 11th – Saturday 16th at 11am. Once you are on the page you will find the live video pinned to top of our page.

[www.christianaid.org.uk](http://www.christianaid.org.uk)

### Parish Church & Community News

There are still just a few printed copies of the May edition available. If you would like one of these please contact [magazine@stonedintonhartwell.com](mailto:magazine@stonedintonhartwell.com).

The editorial team will be 'meeting' this week to plan the June circulation.

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