Dates for your diary

Sat 22nd Feb. 9.00am start of 24 hour crochet marathon in Wendover

Church making blankets and warm clothing for Syria

Tues 25th Feb. Stone School pilgrimage to church

Tues 25th Feb. Winchester to Canterbury pilgrimage open evening

at Princes Risborough

Weds 26th Feb. 7.30pm Ash Wednesday Service at SJB

Thurs 5th Mar. 7.30pm Lent Course starts at Methodist Chapel

Fri 6th Mar. 2.00pm World Day of Prayer at the Chapel

See notice on inside page

Sat 7th Mar. Café in the Park

Thurs 12th Mar. Fashion show at Bradmoor Farm in Haddenham in aid of

Florence Nightingale Hospice. See notice in church

Thurs 12th Mar. 7.30pm Lent Course at Methodist Chapel Thurs 19th Mar. 7.30pm Lent Course at Methodist Chapel

Sun 22nd Mar. MOTHERING SUNDAY – a special service for all the family

Walking the Pilgrims' Way 2020 – Winchester to Canterbury

Our Area Dean Revd David Williams invites you to join him on this 14 day walk **31**st **May-14**th **June.** Prayers will be said each day on the walk. Further detail will be available at the Open Evening at St. Mary's Church, Princes Risborough on Tuesday 25th February 7.30- 9pm or email Parishoffice@stmarysrisborough.org.uk

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

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St. John the Baptist STONE

Sunday 16th February

10:30am MORNING WORSHIP

Leader: David Pickup

Readings: Ruth 1.1-18 page 267

James 5 13–16 page 1216 Psalm 119 1-6 page 617

(The new children's group will meet during the service)

Tues 18th 7:30pm Choir practice at 29(b) Eythrope Road

Next week – 23rd February

9:00am Matins

Leader: David Robinson

10:30am Holy Communion

Leaders: Canon Phil Groves and David Robinson

Welcome everybody!

We welcome all visitors to our service today, especially if this your first time here. We love to meet new people of all ages and backgrounds. If you have children with you that is fantastic! We expect a certain amount of background noise from our younger members so please relax about it. Young people form 20% of the population but 100% of the future. We are sorry we do not have a toilet in the building yet, but we are working hard to put that right in the near future. Please stay and have a chat after the service if you can.



There are refreshments after the service today

Our coffee cup collection this month is for Milton Keynes Cancer Hospital in memory of Iain Westgate from Stone who sadly lost his fight against cancer two years ago aged 35.

Children's group in Stone Church

Our new Children's Group has started! It will take place for part of the service using the Scripture Union materials as a basis. Our children can learn and enjoy church and parents can benefit from the 'adult service' without distraction. The side area next to the altar has now been equipped for the children. Thankyou to Naomi Corbould for taking the lead on this and to those who have come forward as helpers. If you would like any further information or want to help in any way please contact Naomi on 01296 747689 or treasurer@stonedintonhartwell.com.

<u>Crochet Marathon for Syria - 9am Sat 22nd - 9am Sun 23 February</u>
St. Mary's Church in Wendover is holding a CROCHET MARATHON to make warm clothing and blankets for Syria. Knitters are welcome too, and also donations of acrylic DK yarn. See the notice board at the back of church for further details.

Stone School pilgrimage to church

Year 4 at Stone School have been looking at pilgrimages. The children will therefore be walking to church with the wooden cross during the afternoon of **Tuesday February 25**th. Please let Revd. Phil Groves know if you can help.

Lent Course

There will be a Lent Course on five Thursday evenings in the Methodist chapel. The theme is 'God's Church for God's World' and David Pickup will be leading us. Other groups will meet around the Benefice. The dates for your diary are 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th March and 2nd April all starting at 7.30pm. David Pickup 748170

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Benefice vacancy for a new rector

This is now being advertised. The shortlisting is taking place on 9th March and the interviews on 27th March.



PRAY for wisdom for those who are managing this process on our behalf, especially David Robinson, and Sue Birrell and Neil Chudley who are representing our parish. Pray for unity and shared vision between the parishes in the benefice; and for suitable candidates to apply!

2020 prayer initiative



Pray in 2020 on the 20th day of each month at 20:20 for 20 Minutes. **Pray.....that God will give many opportunities to Speak about Christ** (Colossians 4:3)

This is the invitation from the organisation 'HOPE Together' to Christians of all denominations. The second prayer of the year becomes due this Thursday evening. You can pray quietly at home on your own, or in a group, but either way you will be praying with others all around the world. You can use your own spontaneous prayers or this one for February:



'Lord Jesus, thank you for your amazing love. We pray for every evangelist sharing your good news of eternal life. May they be given humility, grace and boldness to clearly invite all they meet to believe in and follow you. Amen'

For further information on this prayer campaign https://hopetogether.org.uk

An invitation from our Methodist friends

Pancake Day - Tuesday 25th February is our Fourth Tuesday Fellowship afternoon and we would like to invite you all to come along and join us - of course from 2.30 if you are free then [Avril Clark will be talking about Lent] but especially from 3.30 when the children can come along from school as we're having PANCAKES! So everyone is welcome and that includes the chaps - we're not a ladies only group!

World Day of Prayer – Friday 6th March

The Service this year prepared by the Christian women of Zimbabwe is at the Chapel at 2 p.m. The theme is on Peace and Reconciliation and this being his 'specialist subject' Revd. Phil will be taking part.

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