

Dates for your diary

- Thurs 12th Mar. Fashion show at Bradmoor Farm in Haddenham in aid of Florence Nightingale Hospice. See notice in church
- Sun 22nd Mar. **MOTHERING SUNDAY** – a special service for all the family during which posies of flowers will be given out
- Wed 25th Mar. 7.30pm SJB Church meeting – venue tbc
- Sat 28th Mar. Clocks go FORWARD one hour
- Sun 29th Mar. 11.00am joint service at the Chapel. No service in SJB
- Fri 10th April **GOOD FRIDAY** 10.00am - Walk of witness starting in the school car park. The **Easter Garden service** starts at 10.30am in the church
- Sun 5th April **PALM SUNDAY** 10.30am – Holy Communion with choir
- Sun 12th April **EASTER SUNDAY** 10.30am – Family Communion service with the choir to lift our worship and an ‘Easter hunt’ for the children afterwards

A prayer for the emergency services and all those affected by the floods



God of compassion,
hear our prayers for those who are affected by storms and flooding:
strengthen them in their hour of need,
and grant them courage to face the future,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

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

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Churches of: St. John Baptist, STONE; Ss Peter & Paul, DINTON; Assumption of St. Mary the Virgin, HARTWELL
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St. John the Baptist STONE Sunday 1st March

10:30am **FAMILY SERVICE with BAPTISM**

Leader: Canon Phil Groves

Readings: Matthew 3. 13-17 page 967

Matthew 4. 1-11 page 967

Today we welcome **Daisy Violet** with her family and friends

- Tues 3rd 7:30pm Choir practice at 29(b) Eythrope Road
- Tues 3rd 7:30pm Finance Committee meeting at SPP Dinton
- Weds 4th 10:30am Daytime Lent course in Dinton (see notice)
- Thurs 5th 7:30pm Lent Course at Stone Methodist Chapel (see notice)
- Fri 6th 2:00pm World Day of Prayer at the Chapel (see notice)
- Sat 7th 10:00am -12:00noon Café in the Park (see notice)
- Sat 7th 10:30am Choir practice at 29(b) Eythrope Road

Next week – 8th March

10:30am **HOLY COMMUNION** (with children’s group)
Leader: Revd Sue Smith

6:00pm **PARISH EVENSONG** at SPP DINTON

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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 some background noise from our younger members so please be relaxed about it. **Young people form 20% of the population but 100% of the future.** Please stay for refreshments after the service. 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 - see next item.

Facilities and Kitchenette Update

Following a meeting on Friday morning of the subcommittee, architect and Builder it is anticipated that the project will finally move into construction in April 2020. The architect will now draw up the contracts for signing whilst the builder liaises with the groundworks subcontractor over a firm start date for phase one, the groundworks. It is estimated that the project will take 14 weeks from start to completion.



There are refreshments after the service today

When refreshments are served at the end of the service you will see a cup on the table for donations. If you would like to give a small donation to our nominated charity please do so, but there is no pressure to give. At the moment we are collecting for the local Air Ambulance Service. They do not receive any government funding but any of us could need their help at any time. We choose local charities or causes for our coffee cup collections. If you would like to suggest a local charity for a future collection please speak to our churchwarden Eryl Morgan.

Children's group in Stone Church

Our new Children's Group has started! It will takes place during our main morning services on the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Sundays of the month. We use 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.

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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!

Lent Course

We have been asked by the Diocese of Oxford to think about how we are a Christ-like church for the sake of God's World. Our Lent Course will explore what this might mean for us.

There are two study groups meeting in our parish and both start this week:

- **Thursday evenings** at 7.30pm in the chapel in Stone
5th, 12th, 19th, 26th March and 2nd April – led by David Pickup
- **Wednesday mornings** at 10.30am at Valma Thompsons, Meadway, The Green, Westlington, HP17 8UR.
4th, 11th, 18th, 25th March and 1st April – led by David Robinson

Café in the Park



Our next Café in the Park is **this coming Saturday 10.00am – 12.00 noon** in the pavilion on the recreation ground. Helpers on the day are always welcome, as are donations of homemade cakes. This is an exciting opportunity for us as a church family to reach out into our community. Bring your friends and neighbours along for a late breakfast and a chat. We do not charge for refreshments. We are funded by donations on the day. Please speak to **Clive** if you would like to help or if you could deliver some publicity leaflets to your neighbours.

World Day of Prayer – Friday 6th March

The Service this year has been prepared by the Christian women of Zimbabwe. It starts at the Chapel in Eythrope Road at 2 p.m. The theme is on Peace and Reconciliation and this being his 'specialist subject' Revd. Phil will be taking part. Everyone is welcome to come along, this is no longer just for women.

PLEASE NOTE - The Benefice office in Haddenham will be closed on Thursday and Friday this week.

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