Dates for your diary

Sun 9th Feb. Snowdrop Walk at Nether Winchendon House

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

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

The women of ZIMBABWE have prepared the service

this year

Sat 7th Mar. Café in the Park

Sun 22nd Mar. MOTHERING SUNDAY

Maintaining our church building

At Stone church we very often need expert help and advice to maintain the church fabric and grounds. Would YOU be willing to help or advise at times? If so please contact us to offer your gift of

knowledge or time to the church. We look after the stonework, ironmongery, wood work, grounds and trees, walks and paths, painting, general repairs and upkeep of all public areas within and around the church. Please contact sjbfabric@stonedintonhartwell.com or call 01296 338163 and leave a message and we will get back to you. Thankyou.

Contact details: Pewsheet <u>pewsheet@stonedintonhartwell.com</u>

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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 2nd February
The Presentation of Christ

10:30am ALL AGE FAMILY SERVICE and BAPTISM

We welcome Evie and her family today

Leader: Revd. Phil Groves

Reading: Luke 2. 22-40 (page 1028)

6:30pm **BENEFICE EVENSONG for Candlemas**

at Aston Sandford Church

The church will be lit by candlelight

Leader: David Robinson

Thurs 6th 7:30pm PCC meeting at Stone Methodist Chapel

Next week - 9nd February

10:30am HOLY COMMUNION

Leaders: Revd. Sue Smith and Richard Smith

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

6:00pm PARISH EVENSONG at SPP Dinton

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Please stay for refreshments after the service today

Our coffee cup collection this month is in memory of lain Westgate who was born in Stone and grew up here. As a child he sang in the church choir and his mother Janet is still a regular member of the choir today. Sadly, two years ago at the age of

35 Iain lost his fight against cancer. Iain was a very talented piper who played with the RAF Halton Pipe Band, and one year was even the lone piper at the Edinburgh Military Tattoo. Some of you will remember him playing his bagpipes here in church! Iain was keen to raise funds for cancer care and research. Our donations will go to Milton Keynes Cancer Hospital in memory of Iain.

Our coffee cup collection for the free Christmas Day meal at St. Mary's Church in Aylesbury raised £120 and we have received a letter of thanks which is on the board at the back of the church

Children's group in Stone Church

Our new Children's Group is starting next week! It will take place for part of the service and will 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 is being set up and equipped especially for the children. Thankyou to Naomi Corbould for taking the lead on this and to those who have already come forward as helpers. If you would like any further information or want to help in any way please talk to Naomi on 01296 747689 or email treasurer@stonedintonhartwell.com



This is a new and exciting venture for our church and we need to support the team and the children with our prayers. We will be gathering for prayer at the back of the church before the service next week. Please join us. Everyone is welcome at 10.00am.

Stone School pilgrimage to church

Year 4 at Stone School have been looking at pilgrimages. One member of the class said that pilgrimage could be walking to church so why not try that. The children will therefore be walking to church with the wooden cross during the afternoon of **Tuesday February 25**th. The details are still being worked out but if you would like to help please let Revd. Phil Groves know.

Benefice vacancy for a new rector

The Benefice profile and job description have now been sent to the Bishop. The vacancy will be advertised from 7th February with the shortlisting 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 Sue Birrell and Neil Chudley who are representing our parish. Pray too for unity and shared vision between the parishes in the benefice; and for suitable candidates to apply!

<u>Crochet Marathon for Syria</u> <u>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.

Snowdrop Walk - Sunday 9th February

11:00am to 4:00pm (last entry 3:30pm) at Nether Winchendon House
Entry £4 Children under 12 free. Delicious Refreshments at the
Carriage Barn, Dogs welcome (only on leads). Visitors should be
aware of the unfenced riverbank and other winter-time hazards,
such as the possibility of slippery paved areas. ALL PROCEEDS ARE
FOR THE FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE HOSPICE CHARITY. This has been
organised by Haddenham Community Support Group with kind permission of
Robert Spencer Bernard. More information available by calling Sue Peck on 01844
292110 or emailing on fnhcsg@gmail.com

Walking the Pilgrims' Way 2020 – Winchester to Canterbury
Our Area Dean Revd David Williams invites you to join him on this 14 day walk
31st May-14th June. Prayers will be said each day on the walk. Walkers can join for just one day, or multiple days, or just come along to Winchester Cathedral on 31st May and Canterbury Cathedral on 14th June. Further detail will be available at the Open Evening at St. Mary's Church, Princes Risborough on Tuesday 25th February 7.30pm to 9pm or email Parishoffice@stmarysrisborough.org.uk

You can now <u>donate to the church by your mobile phone</u>. Just text **CHURCH** (amount) to **70470** to donate from £1 to £20 (e.g. CHURCH 8 to donate £8). The donation plus a standard rate message fee will be debited to your mobile account.