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

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 – a special service for all the family

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 sibfabric@stonedintonhartwell.com or call 01296 338163 and leave a message and we will get back to you. Thankyou.

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

Parish of Stone, Dinton and Hartwell

Churches of: St. John Baptist, STONE; Ss Peter & Paul, DINTON; Assumption of St. Mary the Virgin, HARTWELL www.stonedintonhartwell.com

St. John the Baptist STONE Sunday 9th February

10:00am PRAYERS IN CHURCH

10:30am HOLY COMMUNION

Leaders: Revd. Sue Smith and Richard Smith Readings: Proverbs 1.1-7; page 635 2 Timothy 3.12-17 page 1196

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

6:00pm PARISH EVENSONG at SPP Dinton

Next week - 16th February

10:30am MORNING WORSHIP

Leader: David Pickup Readings: Ruth 1.1-18 lames 5 13 - 16 Psalm 119 1-6

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.

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There are 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. 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.

Children's group in Stone Church

Our new Children's Group starts TODAY! 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



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 today. **Please join us**. Everyone is welcome at 10.00am.

<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. 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

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!

Snowdrop Walk - Sunday 9th February TODAY

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

Lent Course

There will be a Lent Course this year in both Stone and Dinton. There will be other groups around the benefice. The theme is 'God's Church for God's World'. Watch this space for further details of dates and venues or speak to David Pickup.

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. 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