Annual Parochial Church meeting

Thursday 8th October at 8pm. This is when we review the past year and make decisions for the coming one. We will be appointing/re-appointing Church Wardens and PCC members.

Details on how to join us on Zoom are on the website.

As you are all aware we have been without a PCC Secretary for well over a year now and we really need someone to take on this role. As PCC Secretary you would need to prepare and circulate the agenda for PCC meetings and also attend the meetings to take the minutes. You would also deal with church correspondence on behalf of the PCC. It is up to you to decide if you want to be involved with any other committees or events that need minutes as the PCC will take up your time. For more information please speak to Eryl Morgan or Sue Birrell.

We also need **two representatives** from our parish to attend **Deanery Synod** meetings on our behalf. There are three evening meetings each year and in normal times they are held in various churches around the Aylesbury deanery. So you do get the opportunity to visit some out of the way places of worship! It is also a good opportunity to get to know people from other churches in the area, share ideas with them, and hear about plans for the wider church. You would need to prepare a brief report to the PCC and so attending PCC meetings is also important. For more information about the deanery please speak to Jenny Pickup or Liz Tomkins.

Memories



Stone and Bishopstone Parish Council hope to include within the Remembrance Day Service handout local reports of VE and VJ recognition at the Annual Event in November. Please contact SBHPC, Enid Robinson on 748223, or Clive Corbould with any local family history reports.

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St. John the Baptist STONE Sunday 27th September

10:30am MORNING WORSHIP led by David Robinson

Readings: Philippians 2: 1-13

Matthew 21: 23-32



"Continue to work out your salvation with fear and trembling" Philippians 2: 12



Father, we thank you for the wonderful example of true humility that is seen in the life and ministry of our Lord Jesus Christ. Teach us we pray, to live as Christ lived, in the power of the Spirit and to your praise and glory. In Jesus' name Amen.

Next week our service at 10:30am will be led by Rev. Jonathan Hawkins

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A Second Online Service for Harvest

We have a second service for Harvest with hymns put together by our own music team. You can watch it <u>here</u>.

Harvest this year has been hard for farmers and this is recognised in an interview with the Haddenham born Stuart Roberts - Vice President of the NFU - and in prayers led by his father Howard (member of the St Mary's community).



Phil asks us to take our present reality seriously and place our hope in the God who declares he will restore our world.

Have you been celebrating Harvest at home? If so remember to send us a picture of your crumbles and decorations to this <u>address</u>.

You can see the photos from around the wider benefice here.

For Children you can still download the <u>Harvest at Home</u> activity pack and take part in the celebration of Harvest (see below).

Phil Groves

Associate Rector in the Wychert Vale Benefice

Phone 01296 748 390



Family activity pack for Harvest

The activity pack is still available on our website. We have been encouraging you all to make a **Cornucopia** and display it so that Stone is decorated for the harvest season.

Please **send in any photos** to show what crafts you have been doing as a family for harvest.

Service updates

Service updates are given in our weekly pewsheet. The pewsheet is sent electronically each Sunday morning to those people who have signed up to it. We need your permission to send it to you so if you know of anybody else who would like to receive it please encourage them to sign up via the website. At the moment we cannot put any printed paper copies in the church.

Current arrangements at SJB

Each Sunday morning the church will be open from 10.15am. There will be a Worship Service at 10.30am and the church will remain open until 11.30am. More formal services such as Holy Communion will not be resumed for some time due to the present COVID19 regulations.

However, we will start the monthly 9:00am Matins service again on 25th October.

Complying with Government and Diocesan regulations, the church has been properly prepared and places are socially distanced. Hand sanitiser and antibacterial spray are readily available.

Please bring your own Bible if you wish. There will be music but singing is still not allowed.

The porch will continue to be open for private prayer every day.

Although we are not able to run our regular children's group in church at the moment children are still welcome at any of our 10:30am services. We suggest you bring books or colouring activities with you from home though.

We are sorry not to be able to offer refreshments after the service. However, please stay if you can and chat outside the church after the service today. We would love to meet you.





Café in the Park

Our next Café is this coming **Saturday (3rd October) 10:00 – 12:00** in the pavilion on the recreation ground, and we need more helpers on the day to serve our guests. It is a fun event and no previous experience is needed so please let Naomi or Clive know if you would like to join the team - tel: 747689

Remember we can only meet in groups of up to six now so we are taking appropriate steps to make sure this happens while we are still enjoying ourselves.

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