

This Week

Tues 23rd	19:30	Choir Practice - Methodist Chapel, Eythrope Road
Weds 24th	20:00	SJB committee meeting on Zoom
Sat 27th	10:30 10:00am- 1:00pm	Choir Practice – IN THE CHURCH Craft Fair at the Chapel
Sun 28th	10:30	ADVENT SERVICE Holy Communion + Choir

Sunday 5th December
10:30am SJB

To make sure we have enough christingles for all the children please let us know if you are coming by emailing jennyhopcroft@gmail.com Thankyou.



Christmas Tree Festival

The Christmas Tree Festival is held at Haddenham 10th – 12th December and is a fantastic display of trees from around the Benefice. I have offered to be responsible for our tree and would like to follow the theme “From darkness to Light” and need your help. I would like to portray hope after COVID and so decorate the tree with Rainbows and Decorated Face Masks.



If you could decorate a face mask or material that looks like a face mask in any way or make a hanging rainbow for the tree then please let your imagination run wild and help me to decorate a 5’ tree with hope and colour.

Any decorations can be left at church for me to collect and as long as I have them by Monday 6th December they will be on the tree .I know I can count on you as past engagement has shown, remember the poppies.



Sue Birrell

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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 21st November

9:00am Matins (Prayer Book Service)

10:30am Morning Worship

Both services today will be led by David Pickup

Today is the last Sunday of the Church year. Next week we move into the season of Advent and the start of the new church year. We celebrate CHRIST THE KING today and also STIR UP SUNDAY.



Stir up O Lord the wills of your faithful people, that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may by you be plenteously rewarded, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Have you stirred up your Christmas pudding yet?

Here is the link for the online service:
www.stonedintonhartwell.com/wychert-vale-benefice-youtube-videos/

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A message of hope from the Queen

This message from the Queen was delivered by Prince Edward to the new General Synod:

“Of all the tasks before the new Synod, one stands out supreme: to bring the people of this country to the knowledge and the love of God.”

“Of course, in our richly diverse modern society, the well-being of the nation depends on the contribution of people of all faiths, and of none. But for people of faith, the last few years have been particularly hard, with unprecedented restrictions in accessing the comfort and reassurance of public worship. For many, it has been a time of anxiety, of grief, and of weariness.

“Yet the gospel has brought hope, as it has done throughout the ages; and the Church has adapted and continued its ministry, often in new ways — such as digital forms of worship.”

“This Synod, like many before it, had inherited weighty responsibilities, and disagreement was inevitable. In some areas, there will, of course, be differing views, and my hope is that you will be strengthened with the certainty of the love of God, as you work together and draw on the Church’s tradition of unity in fellowship for the tasks ahead.”

Her Majesty the Queen ended by assuring members of her prayers for their deliberations.

Remembrance Sunday



Thank you to everyone who helped organise the Remembrance Sunday Service at the War Memorial gates. We had around 120 people in the congregation along with several well behaved dogs.



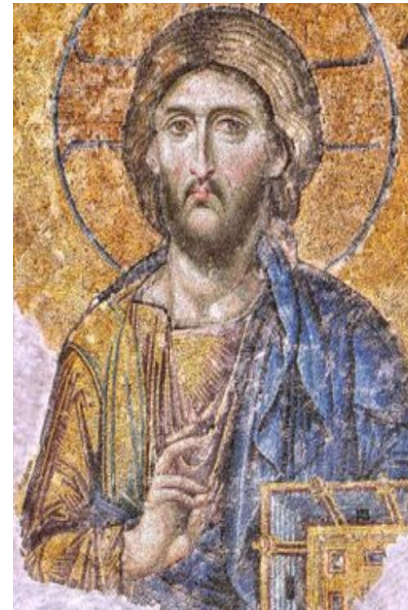
Enid gave a tribute to Mark Woodford who passed away recently, and gave thanks for his hard work in maintaining the War Memorial. He will be sadly missed.

Rev Phil preached on 1 Corinthians 13. His message was that love needs to be kind, so that even when we disagree, we can do so with respect for each other. He also reflected on the lives lost in all battles and gave thanks for all the work of the Royal British Legion. Hymns were led by Richard on the keyboard and members of the Church Choir and the whole recreation ground fell silent at 11.

Thanks also go to Lee Buckingham who played the Last Post and Reveille on the trumpet at the beginning and end of the two minutes silence. Also to Stephan for the excellent PA system that worked well.

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Our Rector writes.....



A prayer to Christ the King

Lord, Jesus Christ, Our Sovereign King
The beginning and end of all things,
You have made your Church to be a people
that bears witness to the goodness and beauty of your kingdom.
By your Holy Spirit, you have united us as one body,
called to live as one family of God.
Fill our hearts with your grace,
that we would be close to you
by being close to the vulnerable and marginalized.
Give us the patience to share one another’s burdens,
And give us the courage to always be friends of the truth.
May we remain with you always.
Amen.

An Invitation

Myles and I would like to invite you to a Christmas Open House at the Rectory (12 Cricketers Way, Haddenham HP17 8FL). We have set two dates as we are a large benefice and I am not sure if everyone came if we could fit people in! So, the suggestion is, that certain churches come on certain days with some leeway if you can make one day to spread people out. If, as some of you do, go to more than one church in the benefice then just take your pick 😊

Mon 20th Dec 3pm – 9pm Suggested that Stone, Dinton and Cuddington come this date.

Wed 22nd Dec 3pm – 9pm Suggested that Kingsey, Aston Sandford and Haddenham come on this date.

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Daily Benefice Prayers on Zoom

Meetings start at 8:30am and run for 15-20 minutes, Monday to Friday. Anyone is welcome to join in. Words for the order of service are [here](#). Please have a Bible to hand to follow the daily reading which will be given out each day. The meeting ID and password remain the same for each day.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87501204370?pwd=aVNVZFVkrRXErS3pNUTZKbW1wQzJDQT09> Meeting ID: 875 0120 4370 Password: 8SyTQ0

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