



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 26th September

10:30am Harvest Communion

Leaders: Rev. Harriet Orridge

6:00pm Evensong @ Hartwell

Leaders: Rev Cassa Messervy and Mr David Pickup

Please bring a chair or a rug with you.

The weather is currently looking fine.

Dear All,

Here is the link for the online service:

www.stonedintonhartwell.com/wychert-vale-benefice-youtube-videos/

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Reverend Cassa Messervy

Rector of the Wychert Vale Benefice

<https://www.wychertvale.org>

This Week

Sunday 3 rd	10:30	Morning Worship – SJB
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Our rector writes

'How to Pray: a guide for normal people' study group

We began our new study group on Monday evening considering Pete Greig's new book 'How to Pray'. We began by considering our own prayer lives, which types of prayer we find easy (praying on our own) and which we find more difficult (praying in front of others). We considered the concept of 'thin places', an ancient Celtic understanding of places that the Holy Spirit can saturate. The island of Iona would be an example. But Pete encourages us in the book to consider how a particular chair in our houses, a bench in the park, ten minutes on the daily commute could become a 'thin place' that helps to focus our prayer and give us a space to meet with God.

Next time we will be looking at chapters 3 and 4 of the book and the invitation to pause as a prelude to prayer. I have set the group the task of finding 5-10 minutes each day to sit quietly with God, no words, just peace and stillness and then report back their experience. You can join in too if you like...do let me know your reflections – you can email me on cassamesservy@gmail.com or ring 01844 335924.

Churchyard Questionnaire

St John The Baptist Fabric Committee are looking at the churchyard and found that many grant making bodies want to know the meaning and benefit of the churchyard to the whole community, this is where YOU come in.

*****WE NEED YOUR VIEWS.*****

Please complete our survey either on the [website](#) or a paper copy from the porch, also please tell your neighbours and friend by taking copies to hand out.

Completed surveys should be handed in at church or placed in the post-box in the porch.

Our hope is to gain information and support to produce a good project proposal and apply for grants to finance the work which is needed.

Funds are always needed and if you do online shopping find out about The Giving Machine which can support our Facilities Project at no extra cost to you or donate to the general Fabric Fund. YOUR HELP CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

Thank you,

Susan Birrell

SJB Fabric Chair.

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