

This Week

Tues 30 th	19:30	Choir practice at the Chapel
Fri 3rd	14:00	Funeral Service for Mark Woodford
Sat 4th	10:00 – 12:00 	CAFÉ IN THE PARK Jubilee Pavilion Can you help on the day? Clive/ Naomi tel 01296 747689
Sat 4th	10:30	Choir practice at the Chapel
Sun 5th	10:30 	CHRISTINGLE SERVICE It would be helpful if you can email jennyhopcroft@gmail.com if you are coming, just to give us an idea of how many christingles to make. 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
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St. John the Baptist STONE Sunday 28th November

**10:30am ADVENT SUNDAY
HOLY COMMUNION and CHOIR**
Canon Phil Groves / Richard Smith

Advent Sunday Prayer



*Blessed are you, sovereign Lord, God of our ancestors:
to you be praise and glory for ever.*

*You called the patriarchs to live by the light of faith
and to journey in the hope of your promised fulfilment.*

*May we be obedient to your call
and be ready and watchful to receive your Christ,*

*a lamp to our feet and a light to our path;
for you are our light and our salvation.*

Blessed be God for ever.

Amen



**COVID - please remember to wear a mask when moving around in church
and when singing. Thankyou.**

Here is the link for the online service:

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

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An Invitation from our Rector

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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Summer Holiday Club meeting

Dear Friends,

In previous years some of our children have attended Lighthouse in Thame - and some have failed to get their children in! Lighthouse will not be happening again, but Churches Together in Haddenham is taking a lead in proposing a Holiday Club to take place early in the Summer School Holidays. It will require church members to organise and run the event and they have invited us to a vision and consultation evening on **Monday 29th November 8pm** at St. Mary's Church, Haddenham.

It would be great if as many of us could go as possible to hear what is being thought about and if we can be part of this, or if there are other possibilities.

Phil



Almighty and merciful God,
whose Son became a refugee and had no place to call his own;
look with mercy on those who today are fleeing from danger,
homeless and hungry.
Bless those who work to bring them relief;
inspire generosity and compassion in all our hearts;
and guide the nations of the world towards that day when all will
rejoice in your Kingdom of justice and of peace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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Prison Socks

Each Christmas the Prison Chaplaincy team at HMP Grendon and Springhill like to give a present to each of the men who come to the Christmas Day service in the prison. It is their custom to give them each a new pair of socks. For some men this is the first or only present they have received for many years. We are fortunate to have a personal link to the prison ministry through Rev Sue Smith who is a member of the chaplaincy team and she lives in Stone.

In recent years we have supplied the socks as part of our church giving. It is our way of sharing God's love with those who may otherwise feel forgotten. If you would like to help you can either contribute a new pair of men's socks or give a financial donation. Please speak to either Jenny Pickup or Richard Smith (PS the socks don't have to be yellow) Thankyou.



Christmas card

We will again be delivering a Christmas card to every home in the village. The card will list all our Christmas services with a greeting from the church. We will need a team of people to deliver them all though. If you could spare some time to help with this please let Richard know tel no. 07584246268

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Sunday 19 th	4:00pm	Carol Service	Revd Cassa Messervy
Christmas Eve	4:00pm	Crib Service	Jenny Pickup/Revd Phil Groves
	11:30pm	Midnight Holy Communion	Revd Phil Groves
Christmas Day	10:00am	Family Communion at SPP Dinton	Revd Nigel Featherston/Revd Phil Groves

Service of Induction, installation, and thanksgiving

St Nicholas Cuddington Church

Tuesday 7th December at 8:00pm

There will be a short service led by Archdeacon Guy to legally 'induct and install' Cassa as Rector. This would normally happen at the licensing but could not because of the restrictions at the time. We are also taking the opportunity to give thanks that Nigel Featherston has completed his curacy and moves to a new phase of ministry, and give Harriet Orridge a rather belated welcome to the benefice. We will pray for God's blessing on our ministry and churchwarden teams in this new chapter in the life of our benefice.

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