



**CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL**  
December 9th-11<sup>th</sup>

We have been invited to take part in the Haddenham Christmas tree Festival and I have offered to do a tree on our behalf but I need help!.....Will YOU make a small tree decoration?

It can be made by anyone in any craft form. If you can help please bring your creations and put them in the box at church or contact: [s.birrell@stonedintonhartwell.com](mailto:s.birrell@stonedintonhartwell.com) if you want further information. Any help you can offer will be very much appreciated. *Thank you*

**DUE TO POPULAR DEMAND AND STILL HAVING KNEELERS NEEDING HOOKS, WE WILL MEET AGAIN ON MONDAY 14TH AT 10:30am FOR YET MORE SEWING, COFFEE, AND CAKE.**

**Tuesday 'Café in the Park' is evolving.....**

With Winter coming bringing colder mornings – we have decided to change what we offer at the Tuesday Café in the Park.

From **Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> November** we will be changing our opening times to **11.00am – 1.00pm**

We will be offering a choice of homemade soups with bread/rolls to warm everyone up (as well as still having yummy cakes, cheesy crumpets, hot drinks, etc.)

We want to offer a simple, wholesome, healthy lunch for everyone in a warm welcoming place – in the dreariest, darkest months of the year.

As always there will be no charge (although donations are accepted)



**Advent Course**

There are two opportunities to join the Advent course: Thursday 2.30-3.30pm in the small hall in St. Mary's Centre and Thursday 8-9pm on Zoom starting 24th November. Please contact Chloe in the benefice office or speak to Cassa for more details.

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**Parish of Stone, Dinton and Hartwell**



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**St. John the Baptist STONE**  
**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> November**

10:45am



**REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY**  
**OPEN AIR SERVICE**

In the War Memorial Recreation Ground

Silence will be observed at 11:00am

Leader: Revd Phil Groves

There is no service in Stone church today

*(If you would like a service of Holy Communion there is one at Kingsey at 9.15am, which anyone is very welcome to join).*

<b>Mon. 14<sup>th</sup></b>	10:30am	<b>YET MORE SEWING, COFFEE, AND CAKE!</b> in the church
	7:30pm	<b>SJB FABRIC MEETING</b> online
<b>Tues. 15<sup>th</sup></b>	11:00am – 1:00pm	<b>CAFÉ IN THE PARK</b> @ the Jubilee Pavilion
	7:30pm	<b>CHOIR PRACTICE</b> @ the Chapel
<b>Sun. 20<sup>th</sup></b>	9:00am	<b>MATINS</b> (Prayer Book Service) Leader: Raymond Medhurst
	10:30am	<b>FAMILY WORSHIP</b> Leader: Richard Smith

**Confirmation Course**

The **Faith Confirmed** confirmation course starts today (**13<sup>th</sup> November**) 4-5pm (2<sup>nd</sup> session 20<sup>th</sup> November and 3<sup>rd</sup> session 27<sup>th</sup> November), venue is St. Mary's Centre in Haddenham. The course will be led by Cassa, please contact her if you would like to join the course: [cassameservy@gmail.com](mailto:cassameservy@gmail.com) / 01844 335924.

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**John 15:9-17**

9 'As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. 10 If you keep my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commands and remain in his love. 11 I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. 12 My command is this: love each other as I have loved you. 13 Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends. 14 You are my friends if you do what I command. 15 I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you. 16 You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit – fruit that will last – and so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you. 17 This is my command: love each other.

This reading includes the great commandment of Jesus that we should love one another, that just as he laid down his own life for us, so there is no greater love than to lay down one's life for one's friends. We often hear this quoted on Remembrance Sunday.

As followers of Jesus we are privileged to be called his friends (v14). How amazing is that! We are called to be friends of Jesus, the Son of Almighty God! However, the friendship that Jesus asks of us is costly. It means loving and caring and being concerned for each other with our whole being and without limit. This applies every day, not just on Sundays; and it applies all day, not just when we can spare the time in our busy schedules. This is how it is for soldiers in the frontline in the battlefield.

On this Remembrance Sunday we gather with our poppies and reflect on some of the most challenging times in our nation's history. We remember two world wars and other conflicts since then, and we give special thanks for all of those men who gave their lives so that we could live in peace. Willingly or not, they made the ultimate sacrifice that Jesus spoke about in v13, and we do well to continue to give thanks and to honour them.

*J.W. ANDREWS      P. OLLIFFE      W.T. ANDREWS      W.C.O. PHILLIPS*  
*C.F. BEECHEY      W.RAVEN      G.F.M.BUTLER      .G.RIXON*  
*R.G. CLARKE      T.R. SEATON      L.H.COX      J.A.SMALL      J.DAY*  
*W.C. SMITH      J. DUBERY      D.C.C. TURNHAM      W.BELL*  
*C.HOWLETT      F.L. WOODFORD      F. KEEN      G. WIXON*  
*W.MARKHAM      H. WIXON      J. MILLER      H.FAITHFULL*  
*N.HAGGAR      R.JEfferIES      D.SEATON      J.SMALL      C.WHITE*

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*Father of all, remember your holy promise, and look with love on all your people, living and departed. On this day we especially ask that you would hold forever all who have suffered during war, those who returned scarred by warfare, those who waited anxiously at home, and those who returned wounded, and disillusioned; those who mourned, and those communities that were diminished and suffered loss.*

*Remember too those who acted with kindly compassion, those who bravely risked their own lives for their comrades, and those who in the aftermath of war, worked tirelessly for a more peaceful world.*

*And as you remember them, remember us, O Lord; grant us peace in our time and a longing for the day when people of every language, race, and nation will be brought into the unity of Christ's kingdom. This we ask in the name of the same Jesus Christ our Lord.*

**Amen**

**Posada 2022**

Advent is a special time in the church calendar when we prepare for the coming of Jesus. Despite the hustle and bustle that is going on around us in the outside world it is a period for us in the church to reflect and wait.

Our annual Posada begins in two weeks' time on Advent Sunday, and it helps us as a church community to reflect and prepare for Jesus together. During the Posada our figures of Mary and Joseph stay with a different host household each night before moving on. As well as receiving Mary and Joseph at a pre-arranged time participants take them on to the next host also at a pre-arranged time. We are in effect ministering to one another in this way. To do this the deliverer and the receiver need to be willing to spend a few minutes together at the handover. It may be someone you know, but it might not be. That can be part of the fun of it. The handover procedure involves some simple prayers that are already written down for you to say together.

Some of you will have taken part in the Posada before, and for others this will be new. It is open to all ages – young and old.

Please think carefully if you would like to take part this year.

We need you to be committed to what the process involves.

If you would like to take part or would like more information before deciding, please contact Jenny Pickup.

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