

### Link to Hope shoe box appeal

For details of items needed in the boxes please see the Parish News magazine for October or ring Sue Spinks on 01296 748369 or email [royandsue1@btinternet.com](mailto:royandsue1@btinternet.com)  
The closing date for donations is 28<sup>th</sup> October. Thankyou.

### National Poppy Appeal launch - 22nd October



Last year, we marked 100 years of the Royal British Legion, and also celebrated the return of our amazing Poppy Appeal collectors in our local communities.

Without them and without you, we wouldn't be able to continue supporting serving and ex-serving men and women and their families. We always need more volunteers though. **Thank you very much to Fiona Rysdale who has taken over as Poppy Appeal Organiser.** So if you can help by preparing or distributing boxes please let Fiona know.

Email [therysdales@live.co.uk](mailto:therysdales@live.co.uk)

Telephone 01296 747663 or 07977 415507.



### MONDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 10.30am

*We invite you to come and have a cup of coffee and a piece of cake in the Church*



**BUT...**

*We need your help while you chat over coffee and cake*

*Will YOU help to sew rings onto our handmade kneelers so that they can be hung on the pews??*



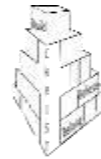
*We will provide the things needed to do this but if you have a thimble and some sewing needles please bring them along.*

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME, NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED 😊**

Pewsheets: [pewsheets@stonedintonhartwell.com](mailto:pewsheets@stonedintonhartwell.com) (content by 9am Fridays please)

Website: [www.stonedintonhartwell.com](http://www.stonedintonhartwell.com)

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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](http://www.stonedintonhartwell.com)

## St. John the Baptist STONE Sunday 16th October

9:00am **MATINS (Prayer Book Service)**  
*Leader: David Pickup*

10:30am **FAMILY WORSHIP**  
*Leader: David Pickup*  
*Readings: Luke 18:1 - 8*  
*2 Timothy 3:14 - 4:5*



Our Explorers Group will meet during the service today and is suitable for children aged 3 – 11

Our 'coffee cup collection' today is for **Aylesbury Vineyard Foodbank**

<b>Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup></b>	10:00am – 12:00noon	<b>CAFÉ IN THE PARK</b>
<b>Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	10:30am	<b>FAMILY COMMUNION</b> <i>led by Revd Harriet Orridge</i>

### Save these dates (not yet mentioned elsewhere):

**Sun. 13<sup>th</sup> November** Remembrance Sunday outdoor service  
**Sun. 27<sup>th</sup> November** Advent Sunday with choir  
**Sun. 4<sup>th</sup> December** Christingle Service  
**Tues. 13<sup>th</sup> December** 3pm – 9.30pm Christmas Open House at the rectory in Haddenham by kind invitation of Cassa our Rector

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## Luke 18:1-8

### The Parable of the Persistent Widow

<sup>1</sup>Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up. <sup>2</sup>He said: "In a certain town there was a judge who neither feared God nor cared what people thought. <sup>3</sup>And there was a widow in that town who kept coming to him with the plea, 'Grant me justice against my adversary.'

<sup>4</sup>"For some time he refused. But finally he said to himself, 'Even though I don't fear God or care what people think, <sup>5</sup>yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will see that she gets justice, so that she won't eventually come and attack me!'"

<sup>6</sup>And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. <sup>7</sup>And will not God bring about justice for his chosen ones, who cry out to him day and night? Will he keep putting them off? <sup>8</sup>I tell you, he will see that they get justice, and quickly. However, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?"

### Luke the evangelist



The Feast Day of Luke is this Tuesday (18th October). He is believed to be the author of one of the Gospels as well as of the Acts of the Apostles. He was probably born in Antioch of a prosperous Greek family and was trained as a physician. Today he is the patron saint of the medical profession.

Luke's gospel is considered the most poetic and beautiful of all. He uses the best grammar and the most eloquent and correct Greek of the New Testament. He shows Jesus not as the Jewish Messiah, but as the world's Saviour and Lord. **He was a man of prayer - this gospel is pre-occupied with the power of prayer.**

Luke accompanied Paul on his second missionary journey and probably had the care of Paul's health. Together they had evangelised both Greece and Rome. Luke was with Paul in his last days and imprisonment in Rome.



*Dear Lord, thank you for the privilege of knowing we can bring our prayers right into your presence, through our Lord Jesus Christ.*

***So Father God, please teach us to pray***

*Our hearts long to pray in the way that is pleasing to you Father, so that our prayers are both powerful and effective.*

***So Father God, please teach us to pray***

*We want to know you better so that we may know your will. Then we can pray in accordance with your perfect plans and purposes - not only for our own lives and for the lives of those we love, but also for the wider world where so many are facing challenging times and are in despair.*

***So Father God, please teach us to pray Amen***

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### A SPECIAL SERVICE OF LOVING REMEMBRANCE

Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October at 6.00pm

St. John the Baptist Church, Stone

A special evening service to remember before God those who are dear to us who have passed away.

The service will include words of hope from the Scriptures, quiet prayer and well-known hymns. On request we will read the names of those to be remembered as we light a candle for them.

If you would like to know more about the service ring

Canon Phil Groves on 01296 748390

To have a person included for remembrance please email Chloe at

[office@haddenhamstmarys.org](mailto:office@haddenhamstmarys.org)

### Confirmation Courses

We will be running two benefice confirmation courses in November in preparation for the deanery confirmation on Sunday 4th December 4pm, hosted at St. Mary's Church, Haddenham:

**Being Christian** – Reflecting on the basics of the Christian Life. Preparing for Confirmation and refocusing on the foundations of faith. Canon Phil Groves is offering an opportunity for those who would like to know more about Baptism, Eucharist, Bible, and Prayer. For some it may lead to confirmation on December 4th. We will be using Rowan Williams book '*Being Christian*' – a book that some of us studied over lockdown. It would be great if some who participated in that were to join us - you will bring wonderful insight and undoubtedly learn more.

The first session will be on Thursday November 3<sup>rd</sup> at 8pm (venue to be announced) and we will continue through to December 1<sup>st</sup>.

For more information ring Phil on 01296 748390.

To book a place please email Chloe [office@haddenhamstmarys.org](mailto:office@haddenhamstmarys.org)

**Faith Confirmed** – this is a three-session course starting Sunday 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). The venue is the St. Mary's Centre in Haddenham.

The course will be led by our rector Cassa, please contact her if you would like to join the course by emailing [cassamesservy@gmail.com](mailto:cassamesservy@gmail.com) or ringing 01844 335924.

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