



This annual event raises money for Buckinghamshire Historic Churches Trust. It involves a lot of volunteers who seek sponsorship to cycle, walk, or ride their horse around as many participating churches in the county as they can manage. This year it is all happening on Saturday 10th September and SJB will again be one of the listed venues that can be visited. The big difference this year is that we can now offer a proper welcome to visitors because we have toilet facilities!

We will be opening the church for visitors 10:00am – 4:00pm but we need volunteers to be present in the church and offer a welcome. If you could spare an hour or two to do this please let Raymond know.

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A message from Eryl

A big thank you to all at SJB for the beautiful bouquet (lovely blues and sunflowers!) and the card with so many good wishes. It's good to have had my op and be feeling so much more comfortable. I'm looking forward now to walking up the church path, being able to see the facilities, and, most of all, being at the services again. Thank you again and love to you all, Eryl.

Dates to save – details to follow

- 8th Sept – Alpha course starts in Haddenham
- 10th Sept – Ride and Stride raising funds for Bucks Historic Churches
- 18th Sept 6pm - Annual outdoor Evensong at Hartwell Church
- 24th Sept – Village prayer walk
- 2nd Oct – Harvest Festival
- 4th Dec 4pm – Deanery Confirmation service

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(The office is open from 10:00-13:00)

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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 21st August

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

10:30am **FAMILY WORSHIP**
Leader: Revd Nigel Featherston
Readings: Hebrews 12:14 - end
Luke 13:10 -17

Tuesday 16th	10:00am – 12:00noon	CAFÉ IN THE PARK
Sunday 28th	10:30am	FAMILY COMMUNION and BAPTISM



God, thank you for the abundance of life, relationships, health, comfort, and wealth you have provided, and thank you that even in times of need, despair, and brokenness, you are there. Please, put your arms around children and families in extreme poverty so they feel comfort and hope; meet their needs both physically and spiritually. And, Lord, guide me so I can be your hands and feet pursuing justice for the poor and upholding the cause of the needy. In Jesus name, Amen.

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Luke 13:10-17

Jesus heals a crippled woman on the Sabbath

10 On a Sabbath Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues, 11 and a woman was there who had been crippled by a spirit for eighteen years. She was bent over and could not straighten up at all. 12 When Jesus saw her, he called her forward and said to her, 'Woman, you are set free from your infirmity.' 13 Then he put his hands on her, and immediately she straightened up and praised God.

14 Indignant because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath, the synagogue leader said to the people, 'There are six days for work. So come and be healed on those days, not on the Sabbath.'

15 The Lord answered him, 'You hypocrites! Doesn't each of you on the Sabbath untie your ox or donkey from the stall and lead it out to give it water? 16 Then should not this woman, a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan has kept bound for eighteen long years, be set free on the Sabbath day from what bound her?'

17 When he said this, all his opponents were humiliated, but the people were delighted with all the wonderful things he was doing.

This passage is not just about a healing miracle:

1. Jesus tells us (v16) that the woman's condition was the result of Satan's oppression for eighteen years. She was bent over and could not straighten up, and that was a physical manifestation of her spiritual state. She was weighed down to such an extent that she could not look anyone else in the eye. When Jesus released her from the mental oppression she was immediately able to straighten up.
2. Despite her condition the woman still came to the synagogue where she was probably used to being ignored. The attitude of the synagogue leader shows this. Is the church generally as welcoming to everyone as we should be? Or are we sometimes more concerned with religious practices?
3. The only rule that matters to Jesus is the one about loving God and loving our neighbour and living in every way possible that brings that love to bear upon the world – and sometimes that means breaking the rules.



Evensong Service – Sunday 18th September 2022 at 6 pm

By kind permission of Hartwell House, Oxford Rd

The traditional Common Prayer service takes place out of doors, in front of Hartwell Church in the grounds of Hartwell House Hotel.

Please bring your own chair.

(we are the parish of Stone, Dinton and Hartwell)

The service will be led by Reverend Cassa Messervy Rector of the Wychert Vale Benefice.

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BIG OR SMALL YOUR CHOICE.....

There are so many things that need doing in the churchyard and boundaries and at present too few people to help to maintain the areas. So if you could spare a short time every couple of weeks you can choose what you would like to do and we can find a suitable job either

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Jobs like:

- Keeping these cobbles brushed and weed free
- Painting the gates and posts
- Cutting back the weeds along Bishopstone Road
- Taking Ivy off the walls
- Brushing the steps to keep them clear
- Painting the railings

If you can help please contact:
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Any help you can offer will be very much appreciated.

Thank you

Re-Starting the Children's Group at SJB

We want to make every service accessible to families and so we are looking to re-start the children's group during some of the Sunday services in September 2022.

Each week we need a leader and a helper - both Safeguarding trained and DBS checked. **Could you offer to help on one Sunday a month?** Please speak to Naomi Corbould On 01296 747689 or email naominz@hotmail.co.uk.



Coins and old gold and silver broken jewellery.



Last year we raised £526 for the church from donations of foreign and obsolete coins and broken jewellery. So far in 2022 we have raised another £800. The jewellery is mainly broken chains and the coins are left over from foreign holidays.

If you have any broken jewellery or obsolete foreign or English coins and banknotes please send them in. As you can see - every little helps! David Pickup tel: 748170

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