



# 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 24th July

10:30am

**HOLY COMMUNION**

*Leader: Revd Nigel Featherston*

Tuesday 26th	10:00am – 12:00noon	CAFÉ IN THE PARK
Sunday 31 <sup>st</sup>	11:00am	<b>MORNING WORSHIP @ the Chapel</b> led by Revd Cassa Messervy. This is our first opportunity to meet Clare who is our new curate.

### A message from Phil

*On Thursday of this week I am going to the Lambeth Conference to represent the Anglican Peace and Justice Network. I will be meeting with Bishops and their spouses and hope to record what they are doing to bring about peace, justice and reconciliation in their context.*

*I will meet people from:*

- DR Congo - where war is ravaging the Eastern border.
- South Sudan - where the bishops are constantly striving for peace.
- The USA striving to enact limited gun control.
- Sri Lanka - which is in dark despair and fear.

*I will meet:*

- Women working to end female genital mutilation
- Indigenous peoples seeking the end of the abuse of their people and lands.

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And on our [Website](#)

*Phil Groves*

Dear Friends,

If you love football, or even if you don't, it can be great fun playing Fantasy Football. All you have to do is go to the [Premier League Fantasy Football](https://fantasy.premierleague.com/) site, register and pick a team. All the instructions are there and it is free to use. <https://fantasy.premierleague.com/>

I have set up a Wychert Vale League and to join in you just have to click <https://fantasy.premierleague.com/leagues/auto-join/xkwm8z> and your team will be entered in the league. Just in case you need it the League Code is xkwm8z.

email [drphilgroves@gmail.com](mailto:drphilgroves@gmail.com) if you are having a problem and I will send you the link directly.

You can see how you are doing relative to others and we can occasionally get together for a drink to discuss our success and failure. We will think of a prize for the winner at the end of the season.

*Phil Groves*

Associate Rector in the Wychert Vale Benefice  
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*Our Father who art in Heaven, holy is your name*

*We seek your Kingdom above all things and ask that you will help us to understand and accept that your ways are always better than ours*

*Give us this day our daily bread and give it to others too, especially those who are struggling at the moment to feed themselves and their families.*

*Forgive us when we mess things up and fill us with your Spirit so that we can also truly forgive others who hurt us, then we can move on without bearing a grudge.*

*Keep us from straying from the path you have set before us despite the many temptations that try to grab our attention each day.*

*In the power of your Spirit we pray that you will help us to share the good news of your kingdom with our families and friends.*

*Amen*

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Luke 11:1-13

### Jesus' teaching on prayer

*11 One day Jesus was praying in a certain place. When he finished, one of his disciples said to him, 'Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples.'*

*2 He said to them, 'When you pray, say:*

*"Father,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come.*

*3 Give us each day our daily bread.*

*4 Forgive us our sins,  
for we also forgive everyone who sins against us.  
And lead us not into temptation."*

*5 Then Jesus said to them, 'Suppose you have a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say, "Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; a friend of mine on a journey has come to me, and I have no food to offer him." 7 And suppose the one inside answers, "Don't bother me. The door is already locked, and my children and I are in bed. I can't get up and give you anything." 8 I tell you, even though he will not get up and give you the bread because of friendship, yet because of your shameless audacity he will surely get up and give you as much as you need.*

*9 "So I say to you: ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. 10 For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.*

*11 'Which of you fathers, if your son asks for a fish, will give him a snake instead? 12 Or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? 13 If you then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!'*

In reality many of us do not find prayer straightforward. The Lord's Prayer in whichever form we use it is both basic and yet complete. It says it all. Even so Jesus feels the need to go on and illustrate how much our heavenly father loves us and is wanting to give us good things. So why do we find it hard to ask?

1. Sometimes it is easier to believe that God only gives good things to 'more advanced' Christians and to consider ourselves unworthy of what we are asking for. Not true.
2. We are frightened he will not answer us, but we may just be asking for the wrong things. God already knows what is best for us. The more we get to know Him the better we will understand how much he loves us and wants to give the right things for us.

Jesus tells us to persist in prayer. Never give up seeking God, his kingdom, his righteousness, and his Holy Spirit. These things should be first on our list.

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### 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 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](mailto:naominz@hotmail.co.uk).

### Cost of Living Crisis

All over the country people are struggling with the increasing cost of food and fuel. This is true in our community. A team from our churches has put together information for those who need help and for those who can offer help that is available on our [website](#).

We know that worries over money are a key cause of stress and mental ill health, please talk to someone who can help. Our clergy will listen to you in confidence and do their best to get you the help you need. You can ring our office on 01844 291108 – you can speak to someone weekday mornings or leave a message with a name, phone number and where you live.

If you know one of our clergy – please ring us directly.



### FoodCycle Aylesbury is opening 26<sup>th</sup> July

#### THIS TUESDAY

This is a national project that is opening a base at the Vineyard Church in Aylesbury on 26th July. It offers a free hot meal and good company to anyone who turns up at 6:00pm each Tuesday. For further details click on the link below.

<https://foodcycle.org.uk/location/foodcycle-aylesbury/>

AYLESBURY VINEYARD CHURCH

The Vineyard Centre  
Gatehouse Close  
HP19 8DN

**Please pass this on to anyone who might need a hot meal.**



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