#### Krish Kandiah – Support for Ukrainian Refugees

Krish Kandiah, founder of Sanctuary Foundation has written an open letter to the Secretary of State requesting help for Ukrainian Refugees with finding appropriate and affordable long-term independent accommodation. You can read and sign the letter to the government which has practical steps that will make it easier for Ukrainians to find the housing they need, on the link below:

https://www.sanctuaryfoundation.org.uk/letter



God of peace and justice, we pray for the people of Ukraine today. We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons. We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow, that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them. We pray for those with power over war or peace, for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions. Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear, that you would hold and protect them. We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace. Amen



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.

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

Wychert Vale Benefice Office: St. Mary's Centre, Haddenham, Bucks HP17 8AH tel: 01844 291108 office@haddenhamstmarys.org

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

pewsheet: <u>pewsheet@stonedintonhartwell.com</u> content by 9:00am Friday please website: <u>www.stonedintonhartwell.com</u>



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# St. John the Baptist STONE Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> August

## 10:30am FAMILY COMMUNION with Baptism

Leader: Revd Phil Groves Richard Smith



Today we welcome into our church family **Alina Maria Savina Green** through baptism, and also her parents Elizaveta and Roderick with their family and friends. We ask God's blessing on them all.

Tuesday 30th	10:00am – 12:00noon	CAFÉ IN THE PARK
Saturday 3rd	10:00am – 12:00noon	CAFÉ IN THE PARK
Sunday 4th	10:30am	FAMILY WORSHIP

#### Dates to save – details to follow

8th Sept	Alpha course starts in Haddenham	
10th Sept	Ride and Stride raising funds for Bucks Historic Churches	
"	Church gardening day	
18th Sept	Outdoor Evensong at Hartwell Church	
24th Sept	Village prayer walk	
2nd Oct	Harvest Festival	

#### **BELONG - BELIEVE - BUILD - WITH CHRIST AS THE CORNERSTONE**

#### Luke 14:1 and 7-14

#### Jesus at a Pharisee's house

One Sabbath, when Jesus went to eat in the house of a prominent Pharisee, he was being carefully watched.

<sup>7</sup>When he noticed how the guests picked the places of honour at the table, he told them this parable: <sup>8</sup> 'When someone invites you to a wedding feast, do not take the place of honour, for a person more distinguished than you may have been invited. <sup>9</sup> If so, the host who invited both of you will come and say to you, "Give this person your seat." Then, humiliated, you will have to take the least important place. <sup>10</sup> But when you are invited, take the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he will say to you, "Friend, move up to a better place." Then you will be honoured in the presence of all the other guests. <sup>11</sup> For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.'

<sup>12</sup> Then Jesus said to his host, 'When you give a luncheon or dinner, do not invite your friends, your brothers or sisters, your relatives, or your rich neighbours; if you do, they may invite you back and so you will be repaid. <sup>13</sup> But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, <sup>14</sup> and you will be blessed. Although they cannot repay you, you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.'

How difficult it is to practice humility! How difficult it is not to take the best seat, grab the best bargain, and be first in the ticket queue for popular events! But Jesus asks us to think of others, be more aware of each other's needs, to step back a bit and allow others to be centre stage for a change.

In Jesus we see the humility of the one who knew who he was, he didn't need to push himself to the front - he was loved by the Father - and on earth to serve others. He sees the needs of his people and does his best to meet them. In word and action he served us in love and humility - even unto death



Heavenly Father, teach us how to follow Jesus' perfect example of how to be compassionate, understanding, and generous towards others in our thinking and in our actions. Amen

#### Re-Starting the Children's Group at SJB

We are looking to re-start the children's group during some of the Sunday services in September 2022. Watch this space for details or speak to Naomi Corbould On 01296 747689 or email <u>naominz@hotmail.co.uk</u>





On Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> September SJB will again be one of the listed venues that can be visited by the cyclists, walkers, and horse riders. This year for the first time we can 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 to offer a welcome. If you could spare an hour or two to do this please let Raymond know <u>Raymond.medhurst@stonedintonhartwell.com</u>

### 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.

BUT when I asked for help the other week a generous offer was received and so.....

### SATURDAY 10th SEPTEMBER

#### IS A CHURCHYARD GARDENING DAY

THE MORE PEOPLE WE HAVE THEN THE BETTER IT WILL BE SO IF YOU CAN HELP AT ANYTIME DURING THE DAY PLEASE COME ALONG AND MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

If you want any further information then please contact: <u>s.birrell@stonedintonhartwell.com</u> <u>Tel: 01296 338163</u> Any help you can offer will be very much appreciated.

Thank you

Also on Saturday 10th September there will be a

#### **BOOK FEST CAFÉ**

In the chapel in Eythrope Road 10:30am - 4:00pm You can choose your autumn reading (books from 50p) and enjoy coffee/tea and biscuits for a donation to

#### MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT

