

## MONDAY 7TH 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

# Remembrance Sunday This year our Remembrance Sunday Se



This year our Remembrance Sunday Service is on 13<sup>th</sup> November. Once again it will be held in conjunction with the Parish Council by the War Memorial gates in the Recreation Ground. We will gather at 10:45 so silence can be observed at 11:00. The service will be led by Revd Canon Phil Groves. There is no service in the church that day and no Explorers group.

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

**Sun 27**<sup>th</sup> **November** Advent Sunday with choir – Posada begins

Sat 3<sup>rd</sup> December 10:00-noon Café in the Park

**Sun 4**th **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

Do you know anyone in need of a free hot meal? See this link for details of Aylesbury Foodcycle based at the Vineyard church

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

Pewsheet: pewsheet@stonedintonhartwell.com (content by 9am Fridays)

Website: <u>www.stonedintonhartwell.com</u> Benefice office: <u>office@haddenhamstmarys.org</u>





# 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

# St. John the Baptist STONE Sunday 30th October



(Have you remembered to turn your clock back an hour? You can stay in bed a bit longer this morning, but it will be dark earlier this evening)

11:00am **JOINT SERVICE at THE CHAPEL** 

Leader: David Pickup

There is no morning service in SJB today and no Explorers group

6:00pm

# LOVING REMEMBRANCE



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

Leader: Revd Phil Groves

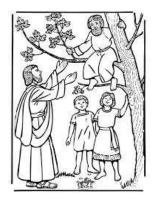
Tues. 1 <sup>st</sup>	10:00am – noon 7:30pm	CAFÉ IN THE PARK @ the Jubilee Pavilion CHOIR PRACTICE @ the Chapel
Sat. 5 <sup>th</sup>	10:00am – noon	CAFÉ IN THE PARK @ the Jubilee Pavilion
Sun. 6 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	FAMILY WORSHIP A service for all ages together so there is no Explorers group during the service Leader: Revd Phil Groves

### Luke 19:1-10

#### Zacchaeus the tax collector

19 Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. 2 A man was there by the name of Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was wealthy. 3 He wanted to see who Jesus was, but because he was short he could not see over the crowd. 4 So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore-fig tree to see him, since Jesus was coming that way.

5 When Jesus reached the spot, he looked up and said to him, 'Zacchaeus, come down immediately. I must stay at your house today.' 6 So he came down at once and welcomed him gladly.



7 All the people saw this and began to mutter, 'He has gone to be the guest of a sinner.' 8 But Zacchaeus stood up and said to the Lord, 'Look, Lord! Here and now I give half of my possessions to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody out of anything, I will pay back four times the amount.'

9 Jesus said to him, 'Today salvation has come to this house, because this man, too, is a son of Abraham. 10 For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.'

We are told that Zacchaeus was a chief tax collector so he was possibly middle aged and had others working for him. Despite his prosperity and success in worldly terms he seems to know that something is missing in his life though. Maybe he didn't feel comfortable in his own skin, and his chosen career path would have made him unpopular in society as well. Yet look at the transformation brought about by meeting Jesus. No matter how long we have been travelling in the wrong direction we can always turn around. With Jesus it is never too late to make a new start.



Dear Lord,

Thankyou that it is never too late to start a new life with you, and thankyou that a new start is available to everyone, no matter what our past life has been. Help us to encounter you afresh today, and every day. Amen

#### **Advent Course**

We will be offering a benefice Advent course of four sessions using Paula Gooder's book 'The Meaning is in the Waiting' this Advent. There will be two opportunities to join this course: Thursday 2.30-3.30pm in the small hall in St. Mary's Centre (Haddenham) and Thursday 8-9pm on Zoom starting 24th November. Please contact Chloe in the benefice office or speak to Cassa for more details.

#### **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:

<u>Being Christian</u> — 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

<u>Faith Confirmed</u> – 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 <a href="mailto:coassamesservy@gmail.com">coassamesservy@gmail.com</a> or ringing 01844 335924.

#### Posada 2022

Following a break during the pandemic we are now planning to run our Advent Posada again. This is when figures of Mary and Joseph travel around the village staying at a different home each night, returning to church for the Crib Service on Christmas Eve. It reminds us of the journey Mary and Joseph undertook and also helps us focus on our own preparation to receive Christ into our hearts and homes at Christmas.

An important part of the Posada is the receiving and the giving of Mary and Joseph from one host to another. It means spending a little time in quiet reflection and simple prayer with whoever brings the figures to you (a basic 'script' is provided for this). The Posada is not just for children – it brings all generations of our church family together.



The Posada begins in our **Advent Sunday service on 27**<sup>th</sup> **November**. The details of how it will be organised this year are still being worked out and we will speak about it in church over the next few weeks.