

Facilities Wish List

Thank you to everyone who has responded so generously to our Wish List. We have been able to buy all the essential items and a lot of the extras to make our kitchenette look good for when we can eventually use it.

If you have pledged but not paid yet then please try and make your payment as soon as possible either to Sue or by putting your pledge money into the donations box on the board in the porch but don't forget to highlight that you have paid on the list. If you still want to make a pledge please have a look at the list in the porch, it's not too late!

Thank you.
Sue

Facilities Party

On Saturday 14th May we are having a celebration for the long-awaited facilities. This will be an afternoon tea and so I am asking if you could make cakes for this event. If made in advance they could be frozen if necessary.

I know a lot of you already make cakes for Café in The Park and don't want to detract from this but if you could make an extra for the celebration that would be fantastic. Once again your help and support is so much appreciated and there is a list in the porch so you can let us know what your speciality is.

Sue

Christian Aid Week 2022

Sunday 15th May	2 pm – 5 pm	Plant Sale	Mayerin, Churchway
Thursday 19th May	2.30 pm – 4.30 pm	Cream Teas	Methodist Chapel
Saturday 21st May	10 am – 2 pm	Collect Ploughman's Lunch Bags From the Methodist Chapel	
Sunday 22nd May	12 noon	Austerity Lunch	Methodist Chapel

We desperately need volunteers to help deliver the big red donation envelopes – as many or few as you can manage would be a massive help. This year there is no return trip to collect them!

Please contact Sue Spinks: 748369
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www.wychertvale.org
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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 8th May

10:30am

Holy Communion

Leaders: Rev. Nigel Featherston

6:00pm

Evensong – SPP, Dinton

Leaders: Adrian Collier

This week

<i>Monday 9th May</i>	<i>19:30</i>	<i>SJB Fabric Meeting</i>
<i>Tuesday 10th May</i>	<i>10:00 – 12:00</i>	<i>Café In The Park</i>
<i>Saturday 14th May</i>	<i>10:00 – 12:00</i>	<i>Café In The Park</i>
	<i>14:00 – 16:00</i>	<i>Facilities Opening Party</i>
<i>Sunday 15th May</i>	<i>9:00</i>	<i>Matins</i>
	<i>10:30</i>	<i>Christian Aid Week Service</i>
	<i>14:00</i>	<i>Plant Sale - Mayerin</i>

Prayer

Risen Christ,
faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep:
teach us to hear your voice
and to follow your command,
that all your people may be gathered into one flock, to the glory of God the Father.
Amen

Alpha Course / Confirmation

We are planning to run Alpha or another Christian basics course and would value some feedback on how we might go about this in terms of timings and location (in person and/or online). Please let Phil or Cassa know your views. Also, we will be hosting a confirmation service on Sunday 16th October 4pm. If you would like to be confirmed, please let one of the ministry team or the office know. We aim to run a confirmation course in the early autumn.

An Invitation

As you may know, Bishop Steven (our Diocesan Bishop) will be in our deanery for the day on 15 June. We have been giving an invitation for all the people in our churches to join Bishop Steven at 7.30pm at St. Mary's Church Princess Risborough for a short act of worship followed by some input and reflection from Bishop Steven; followed by questions and responses, finishing around 9.00 pm.

Annual Parochial Church Meeting 2022

This year's APCM is on 17th May at 8:00pm at St John the Baptist, Stone.

The APCM is the Annual Parochial Church Meeting where we review what has happened in the past year and we look to the next year with the election of Churchwardens and PCC members.

If you would like to apply for the roll of Church Warden or to be on the PCC, please fill out the forms in the porch and place in the black letterbox or fill out a downloadable form and email it in.

All reports and forms are available on the website:

www.stonedintonhartwell.com/apcm/

Please Note the change of Venue.

Stone Fete

We will be having a table with childrens activities at the Stone Village Fete on Friday 3rd June.

If anyone can help look after the stall please let Naomi know.

naominz@hotmail.co.uk

Revd David Cooke

It is with sadness the we announce that Revd. David Cooke passed away on Friday 29th April.

Revd Cooke was our minister for many years.

Can You Help Us To Be A Welcoming Church?

When people come to a church for the first time, what they usually notice most is not the quality of the sermon or the music, but the quality of the welcome they receive. For us to be a welcoming church, we need more people who can help with important tasks such as setting up for services, clearing away after services, and particularly making people feel welcome as they arrive. The Welcome Team is open to people of all ages, including children (when supervised by a parent), as none of the tasks are difficult. Even if you are only able to help once every few weeks, we would really appreciate your help. You would need to be available to arrive about 30 minutes before the service starts and to stay for a few minutes after the service. The welcome team will be led by one of the duty wardens (Richard Smith, Raymond Medhurst, Sue Birrell) and we will provide you with any training needed. In addition, we also need more help with some of the things which happen during services, such as reading from the Bible and operating the sound system. We would love to hear from you if you can help with any of these things. Please contact Richard Smith (07584 246268) or any member of the leadership team.