

### SOCIALLY CRAFTY

# Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June 10:30am – 12:30pm in the church

Make friends ~ Drink Coffee ~ Eat Cake ~ Do Crafts

# EVERYONE IS WELCOME

#### **Coffee Cup news**

Our coffee cup collection today is for the Aylesbury Town Centre Chaplaincy. It is run by the local Christian community to help serve the needs of the town. It is an independent charitable trust and has volunteer day time chaplains and night time Street Angels drawn from churches across the town and surrounding area. All chaplains and Street Angels are motivated by Christian principles of love and service and are fully committed to serving people of all backgrounds, and of all faiths or none.

https://www.aylesburytownchaplaincy.co.uk

### Bookkeeping/Accounts for Stone, Dinton and Hartwell PCC.

As we are currently without a PCC treasurer please send all invoices for payment to <u>Accounts@stonedintonhartwell.com</u> where they will be dealt with by Naomi who has kindly stepped forward as bookkeeper.

# Music in Quiet Places Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June at 7:30pm ~ St Peter & St Paul Church Dinton ~ Tickets cost £10 Concert includes pieces by Bach, Beethoven, and Eybler.

Ticket agent: Helen Wild 01296 748679wilddinton@waitrose.comFurther information: Rosemary Jackson 01296 748655jacksonrj@btinternet.com

### Florence Nightingale Hospice Walk of Light Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June

This year our churchwarden Sue Birrell will be taking part in this fundraising event with her sister Judy. You can sponsor her <u>here</u>. Go for it Sue!

Pewsheet:	pewsheet@stonedintonhartwell.com	
Website:	www.stonedintonhartwell.com	
Revd Canon Dr Phil Groves:	drphilgroves@gmail.com	01296 748390

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



# St. John the Baptist STONE Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> June Fathers Day

9:00am

Led by: David Pickup

MATINS

10:30am

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FAMILY WORSHIP



**EXPLORERS** will meet during the main service

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Our Father in Heaven, you have made yourself known to us through Jesus Christ and have invited us to pray to you as our Father, so that we may pray boldly and confidently to you. Thank you for calling us to be your children. Today we pray for fathers everywhere. Give them wisdom. Give them patience. Above all give them the ability to love in a way that reflects your love. Amen

### THIS WEEK

Mon	19 <sup>th</sup>	10:30am	Socially Crafty – in the church	
Tues	20 <sup>th</sup>	11:00am	Café in the Park - in the Jubilee Pavilion	
		7:30pm	Choir practice – in the church	
Sat	24 <sup>th</sup>	10:30am	Choir practice – in the church	
Sun	25 <sup>th</sup>	10:30am	FAMILY COMMUNION (see separate notice)	

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### Matthew 9:35 -10:8

### The workers are few

<sup>35</sup> Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and illness. <sup>36</sup> When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. <sup>37</sup> Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. <sup>38</sup> Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field.'

### Jesus sends out the Twelve

**10** Jesus called his twelve disciples to him and gave them authority to drive out impure spirits and to heal every disease and illness.

<sup>2</sup> These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon (who is called Peter) and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; <sup>3</sup> Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; <sup>4</sup> Simon the Zealot and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him.

<sup>5</sup> These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: 'Do not go among the Gentiles or enter any town of the Samaritans. <sup>6</sup> Go rather to the lost sheep of Israel. <sup>7</sup> As you go, proclaim this message: "The kingdom of heaven has come near." <sup>8</sup> Heal those who are ill, raise the dead, cleanse those who have leprosy drive out demons. Freely you have received; freely give.

There is a lot happening in this passage. Jesus is certainly busy - travelling, teaching, proclaiming, and healing. He has great compassion on all the crowds he encounters, so much so that he says 'The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few' before telling the disciples to pray for more workers. Then he sent out the twelve with instructions on what they should do. If you read on beyond the passage shown here you will see he gave very detailed instructions. His disciples have travelled with Jesus, listened to his teaching, and seen his miracles. Now they must go out and do the same. Jesus has set the pattern and the priorities and given them the authority to carry out his work. The primary message is always the same 'The kingdom of heaven has come near'.

From those first twelve there is now a worldwide church of Jesus' disciples continuing to pray for more workers and proclaiming God's kingdom. Here in SJB alone there are already more than twelve of us so let's get going!



Lord, there is such a lot of need in the world that it feels overwhelming, so we do pray that you will raise up more workers for your kingdom. Give us all compassionate hearts ready to go and serve others, and help us to proclaim your kingdom in our own community here in Stone. Amen

# Thankyou letter from The Leprosy Mission Our coffee cup scheme donated £172.11

I am so humbled by your love and compassion for people affected by leprosy. Thanks to you, patients in hospitals across India will have the promise of food while being treated. Staff will know that while they heal the body, your generosity is providing nourishing meals to the people in their care, helping to heal hearts.

Despite the current rises in cost of living, and the affect this has on finances, you've chosen to welcome strangers to eat with you. Oceans may separate you from people living with leprosy in India, but at God's table, distance is no barrier and everyone is welcome. Eating side by side, fellowship, friendship and companionship flow.

The impact of your grace, shown through your gift, will be reaffirmed with each meal you provide. I am forever grateful for your generosity and kindness.

With every blessing, Peter

Peter Waddup CEO



# Festival of St John the Baptist 2023 Sunday June 25

Festival Holy Communion 10.30am With Choir and Explorers Group for kids



Then: Join us for a Picnic Vicarage Farmhouse Bring your own picnic and bring drinks to share.