

## A call for helping hands

Our wonderful church of St John the Baptist is not only a beautiful historic church building, but also a lively, active worshipping community. The building and the churchyard are looked after by a team of volunteers, each with different skills, and we would welcome additional help!

### WE WILL BE WORKING IN THE CHURCHYARD AGAIN SOON - COULD YOU HELP US?



We would like to tidy the graves, clear the banks along Bishopstone Road and Churchway, plant some flowers and generally make the churchyard look great!

If you can help then please just come along, you can always make coffee if you want to join us but find gardening tiring.



**SATURDAY 18<sup>th</sup> MAY 10:00am – 1:00pm**

Then every 3rd Saturday in the month until November (weather permitting)


If you want a chat about this please contact Sue: 01296 338163  
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We are also looking for the following:

- someone to be the **treasurer** for the combined Parish of Stone and Dinton.
- volunteers to **serve food and drinks** at Café in the Park.
- Those who enjoy **singing or who can play an instrument**.

We can probably find a use for most skills somewhere, so if you would like to volunteer in some way, even if just occasionally, we would love to hear from you.


A BIG THANKYOU to all of you who already volunteer your skills in so many ways!



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**SJB Congregation**

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# Sunday 14th April

## Notices for the week



*Our church is a member of the Wychert Vale family of churches*

### Services TODAY

10:30am **FAMILY COMMUNION** (with *EXPLORERS*)  
led by Revd Nigel Featherston

6:00pm **EVENSONG** (with *CHOIR*) at **Dinton Church**  
led by David Pickup



*Almighty Father,  
who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples  
with the sight of the risen Lord:  
give us such knowledge of his presence with us,  
that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life  
and serve you continually in righteousness and truth;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. Amen.*

### Services next week

9:00am **MATINS** (PRAYER BOOK SERVICE)  
led by David Pickup

10:30am **FAMILY WORSHIP** (with *EXPLORERS*)  
led by Richard Smith & Revd Phil Groves

### The week ahead

Tue 16<sup>th</sup> April 11:00am **CAFÉ IN THE PARK** in the Jubilee Pavilion  
7:30pm **CHOIR PRACTICE** at 29(b) Eythrope Road  
Thurs 18<sup>th</sup> April 9:00am - 10:30am **LITTLE WRIGGLERS** in the Jubilee Pavilion

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## Luke 24:36-48

### Jesus Appears to the Disciples

<sup>36</sup> While they were still talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you."

<sup>37</sup> They were startled and frightened, thinking they saw a ghost. <sup>38</sup> He said to them, "Why are you troubled, and why do doubts rise in your minds? <sup>39</sup> Look at my hands and my feet. It is I myself! Touch me and see; a ghost does not have flesh and bones, as you see I have."

<sup>40</sup> When he had said this, he showed them his hands and feet. <sup>41</sup> And while they still did not believe it because of joy and amazement, he asked them, "Do you have anything here to eat?" <sup>42</sup> They gave him a piece of broiled fish, <sup>43</sup> and he took it and ate it in their presence.

<sup>44</sup> He said to them, "This is what I told you while I was still with you: Everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms."

<sup>45</sup> Then he opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. <sup>46</sup> He told them, "This is what is written: The Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, <sup>47</sup> and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. <sup>48</sup> You are witnesses of these things.

### Thy Kingdom Come

Thy Kingdom Come (TKC) is a global ecumenical prayer movement that invites Christians around the world to pray from Ascension to Pentecost for more people to come to know Jesus.

Since it began in May 2016, TKC has grown from a dream of possibility into a movement which unites more than a million Christians in prayer, in nearly 90% of countries worldwide, across 85 different denominations and traditions - so that friends and family, neighbours and colleagues might come to faith in Jesus Christ. We in SJB have taken part in TKC since the beginning and we plan to do so again this year.

We will be encouraging every person and household to pray during the 11 days from **Ascension Day on 9<sup>th</sup> May** to **Pentecost Sunday on 19<sup>th</sup> May**, either in their own home, or in church. We will again put together our own SJB booklet of daily prayers for people to use. As TKC coincides with Christian Aid week we will include some resources from there as well.



TKC will begin in SJB with an Ascension Day service in the evening of 9<sup>th</sup> May. Thereafter the church will be open each day until Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May 7pm – 7.30pm for anyone to come and pray either quietly on their own or in a small informal group. Last year several of us were blessed by meeting together in this way.

**Further details will follow later.**

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### Coffee Cup news

Our coffee cup collections until the end of April will be given to **Aylesbury Homeless Action Group**. AHAG is a local charity that provides support and advice to those who are homeless; at risk of becoming homeless; or who are inadequately housed.



### Church Electoral Roll

The revision of the Church Electoral Roll is once again due. This always takes place before the Annual Church Parochial Meeting which is in May. If you are already on the Roll you need take no further action but if you would like to be included on the Roll please speak to one of the Church Wardens or Dee James (tel: 747671) for any further information and an application form.

The criteria necessary for joining the Roll is shown on the "REVISION OF CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL" notice displayed on the Church notice board or can be found on the church website. The deadline for joining is 23rd April 2024.

### Little Wrigglers (for 0-5 yrs and their adults)

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2024**

**9.00am – 10:30am**

**IN THE JUBILEE PAVILION**



*free play - Bible story - snacks - singing and more!*

**Children remain the responsibility of their adult at all times.**

30 posters have been put up around the area and on Facebook and WhatsApp pages. We have been bold and put 'Bible story' on the posters - please pray that people will see the poster and come along with their Little Wrigglers! Please pray for the leader and helpers - that everything would go smoothly and any issues overcome. Please pray that God will bless this new venture.

*Naomi*



*Loving Heavenly Father*

*We thank you for this wonderful opportunity to serve families in our community in this way.*

*We thank you too for those who have done all the research, preparation, and publicity to launch Little Wrigglers.*

*We pray that you will bless this new venture and make sure that everything goes smoothly.*

*Amen*

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