

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! For example, we are seeking:

- someone to be the **treasurer** for the combined Parish of Stone and Dinton.
- volunteers to **serve food and drinks** at Café in the Park.
- If you can **sing or play an instrument**, you would be very welcome.
- Our **choir** lifts our worship at all the major church festivals.
- Our **churchyard maintenance team** would benefit from additional volunteers.

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.

Sue Birrell (SJB churchwarden) s.birrell@stonedintonhartwell.com

Naomi Corbould (Café in the Park) naominz@hotmail.co.uk


Extra hands are also needed to help put the 'Parish Church and Community News' magazine together each month. The editorial team meets once a month over Zoom for about an hour, and magazine content is submitted to them via email. You need a PC/laptop and a good working knowledge of Microsoft Word.

David Pickup (Editor) david@pickupandscott.co.uk

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

Bucks Herald column

Some of you may have noticed in the Bucks Herald that our service times were not correct. Chloe who is the village correspondent for Stone has sent us her apologies. She did point out the error to the Bucks Herald but unfortunately it was not corrected.




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SJB

Sunday 7th April

Notices for the week

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



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9:00am **MATINS** led by David Pickup

10:30am **FAMILY WORSHIP** led by Richard Smith



Almighty God

We lift up all those who work to bring aid to people affected by poverty, disasters and conflict.

We pray that you will strengthen them, protect them, and fill them with wisdom.

We lift up the countries around the world where it is difficult to reach the people most in need;

We pray for obstacles to be removed and barriers lifted.

In Jesus' name.

Amen

(Tear Fund prayer)

Services next week

10:30am **FAMILY COMMUNION with Explorers**
led by Revd Nigel Featherston

6:00pm **EVENSONG with choir at Dinton Church**
led by David Pickup

The week ahead

Tue 9th April 11:00am **CAFÉ IN THE PARK** in the Jubilee Pavilion
Thurs 11th April 8:00pm **SJB COMMITTEE MEETING**

Have you found **FAITH** yet? The Socially Crafty team have made a fantastic banner that has been hanging in church for the past two weeks – did you spot it?

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John 20:19-31

Jesus Appears to His Disciples

¹⁹ On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" ²⁰ After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.

²¹ Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." ²² And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³ If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."

Jesus Appears to Thomas

²⁴ Now Thomas (also known as Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. ²⁵ So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!" But he said to them, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

²⁶ A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" ²⁷ Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe."

²⁸ Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!"

²⁹ Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

The Purpose of John's Gospel

³⁰ Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. ³¹ But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

Acts 4:32-35

The believers share their possessions

³² All the believers were one in heart and mind. No one claimed that any of their possessions was their own, but they shared everything they had. ³³ With great power the apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. And God's grace was so powerfully at work in them all ³⁴ that there was no needy person among them. For from time to time those who owned land or houses sold them, brought the money from the sales ³⁵ and put it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to anyone who had need.

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Did you see the beautiful Easter flower arrangements in church?

Thankyou once again to Dee and her amazing team of helpers!



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 18th 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

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