

Coffee cup collection



Thankyou to everyone who has supported the charitable work of the World Day of Prayer through the Coffee Cup Collections during January and February.

Today we are moving on to the **Aylesbury Town Chaplaincy**.

Apart from two part time staff members who organise everything, everyone else involved with the chaplaincy is a volunteer from a local church in or around Aylesbury. The Chaplaincy operates in three ways:

- **Volunteer chaplains** are out and about in the town centre, the courts, the police station, and other places, to be a friendly presence for shoppers and others visiting or working in the town.
- **Street Angels** offer Christian support, reflecting the love of God late at night, and help to make the town centre safe and enjoyable for everyone late on Fridays and Saturdays until the early hours of the next morning.
- **Healing on the Streets (HOTS)** is a simple way to reach out to folk who would appreciate someone to listen to them, and pray for them or a loved one. People are simply invited to sit on a chair while they are prayed for. They are on the streets once a month on a Saturday during the daytime.

Jenny will be explaining the work of the Chaplaincy in more detail in the main morning service today.

Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM)

The APCM is fast approaching. Anybody who is on the Electoral Roll is welcome to attend. The meeting will be held on **Wednesday 22nd April**. This year we have spaces for nominations for Deanery Synod Members as well as for PCC Members. Application forms and APCM booklets will be available on the website shortly. The Electoral Roll is now open until 30th March for new additions. If you would like to join the Electoral Roll, please see Dee James, or email ElectoralRoll@stonedintonhartwell.com Application Forms can be found online at: www.stonedintonhartwell.com/apcm/

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Sunday 1st March 2026 Notices for the week



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

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

10:30 **FAMILY WORSHIP** led by David Pickup
followed by Soup -a-Sunday!



*Almighty God,
you show to those who are in error the light of your truth,
that they may return to the way of righteousness:
grant to all those who are admitted into the fellowship
of Christ's religion,
that they may reject those things that are contrary to
their profession,
and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same;
through our Lord Jesus Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen*

This week

Tues 3rd - 11:00am **Cafe in the Park** – in the Jubilee Pavilion
7:30pm **Choir practice** – 29(b) Eythrope Road
Weds 4th - 3:00pm **Lent course** on the parables in Luke (see notice)
Thurs 5th - 9:00am **Little Wrighglers** – in the Jubilee Pavilion
7:30pm **Lent course** – Any Questions? basic faith (see notice)
(no online prayer meeting this week)
Fri 6th - 2:00pm **WORLD DAY OF PRAYER** – at the chapel
Sat 7th - 10:00am **Café in the Park** – in the Jubilee Pavilion
Sun 8th - 10:30am **FAMILY COMMUNION** with Joyfull Juniors
4:00pm **LEGO CHURCH** – in the Jubilee Pavilion
6:00pm **CHORAL EVENSONG** – at SPP DINTON

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John 3:1-17

Jesus teaches Nicodemus

3 Now there was a Pharisee, a man named Nicodemus who was a member of the Jewish ruling council. 2 He came to Jesus at night and said, 'Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God. For no one could perform the signs you are doing if God were not with him.'

3 Jesus replied, 'Very truly I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God unless they are born again.'

4 'How can someone be born when they are old?' Nicodemus asked. 'Surely they cannot enter a second time into their mother's womb to be born!'

5 Jesus answered, 'Very truly I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the Spirit. 6 Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit. 7 You should not be surprised at my saying, "You must be born again." 8 The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going. So it is with everyone born of the Spirit.'

9 'How can this be?' Nicodemus asked.

10 'You are Israel's teacher,' said Jesus, 'and do you not understand these things? 11 Very truly I tell you, we speak of what we know, and we testify to what we have seen, but still you people do not accept our testimony. 12 I have spoken to you of earthly things and you do not believe; how then will you believe if I speak of heavenly things? 13 No one has ever gone into heaven except the one who came from heaven – the Son of Man. 14 Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the wilderness, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, 15 that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him.'



16 For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. 17 For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

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Lent courses

We are running two Lent courses in the parish this year

Any Questions?

This course considers the fundamentals of our faith and we are asking for your questions. This week we began with 'How do we know God?'

There are some notes from this session available as handouts in church this morning. These were prepared for us by Richard and used as the basis for our discussion. He highlighted the following as ways through which we can know God:

the Bible - the person, life and teaching of Jesus - creation - each other - prayer, and the witness of the Holy Spirit in our own lives

Even so our knowledge of God will only be partial (in this life at least).

We are meeting on Thursday evenings at 7.30pm by kind invitation of the Rysdale family at 2 Stonecroft (off Oxford Road in Stone).

Please email any further questions for discussion to Richard or Phil

richard.smith@doctors.org.uk drphilgroves@gmail.com

Unique to Luke - A fresh look at parables in Luke

Alternatively you are welcome to this course which is meeting on Wednesday afternoons at 3.00pm at Applegarth in Gibraltar. If anyone wants to be collected Rosemary will be happy to do that - contact 07872 316553.



World Day of Prayer

A service for everyone!

I will give you rest, come

Friday 6th March at 2:00pm

Stone Methodist Church

Come and join us as we pray and sing with others from all around the world in a service written by the Nigerians especially for the World Day of Prayer 2026. Refreshments will be available after the service **EVERYONE IS WELCOME**

Service of Welcome and Collation

You are invited to watch a livestream of a Service of Welcome and Collation of the Revd Cassa Messervy as the new Archdeacon of Buckingham at 6pm this evening. It will be an opportunity to pray and offer thanks with Cassa as she begins her ministry in the Archdeaconry of Buckingham.

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Sadly, limited space at the venue means there is only room for invited guests.

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