

Cafe in the Park in Heatwaves

The Cafe Management Team recently discussed what we should do in heatwaves. Whilst we would love to open Cafe as usual, we do have a duty of care to all customers and volunteer helpers. Both are mainly retired people who are more vulnerable to high temperatures. We are concerned about people walking to/from Cafe in the heat and volunteers working in the heat - especially as the Pavilion aircon doesn't seem able to cope.

It was decided that **Cafe will NOT run if, at 5pm on the Sunday, the forecast temperature for NOON on Tuesday is 30C or above.** A message will be posted by the end of Sunday on the **Stone, Buckinghamshire Community Support Group** Facebook page if Cafe is cancelled for the Tuesday.

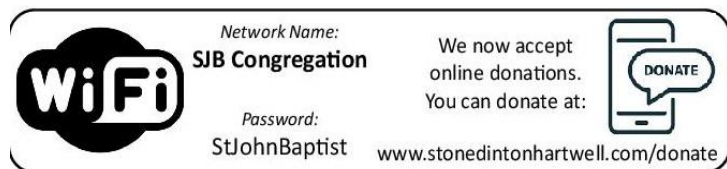
If you are unable to view the Facebook page and would like to be contacted - please ring Naomi on 07425140887.

I hope you will understand the reason for our decision - everyone's health is more important than Café!
Naomi x

Bucks County Show 27th August

For many years the four deaneries in Buckinghamshire have been working together to run a hospitality tent at the County Show called 'Rest A While'. For no charge it offers visitors tea and cakes and a chance to sit down. It is a great example of the church serving the community and gives opportunities to open up conversations with visitors to the show. It needs volunteers to help on the day – welcoming, serving, clearing tables etc. If you could offer an hour or two to help, Revd Jenny Edmans would love to hear from you: jennypedmans@aol.com You would still need to pay your entrance fee to the show though.

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Sunday 28th June 2026

Notices for the week



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

10:30am **PATRONAL FESTIVAL**
FAMILY COMMUNION with *Joyfull Juniors*
led by Revd Nigel Featherston and Richard Smith



*Almighty God,
by whose providence your servant John the Baptist
was wonderfully born,
and sent to prepare the way of your Son our Saviour
by the preaching of repentance:
lead us to repent according to his preaching
and, after his example,
constantly to speak the truth, boldly to rebuke vice,
and patiently to suffer for the truth's sake;
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*

(NOTE: our communion wafers are all GLUTEN FREE)

This week

Tues 30th - 11:00am **Café in the Park** – in the Jubilee Pavilion
Thurs 2nd - 9:00am **Little Wrigglers** – in the Jubilee Pavilion
8:00pm **Praying Together online for 30 minutes**
<http://www.stonedintonhartwell.com/zoom-prayers>
Sat 4th - 10:00am **Café in the Park** – in the Jubilee Pavilion
Sun 5th - 9:00am **MATINS**
10:30am **FAMILY WORSHIP**
4:00pm **LEGO CHURCH** - in the Jubilee Pavilion

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Matthew 10:40-42

⁴⁰ "Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me, and anyone who welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. ⁴¹ Whoever welcomes a prophet as a prophet will receive a prophet's reward, and whoever welcomes a righteous person as a righteous person will receive a righteous person's reward. ⁴² And if anyone gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones who is my disciple, truly I tell you, that person will certainly not lose their reward."

Patronal Festival

Today we are celebrating the birth of our patron, St. John the Baptist. The service will be followed by a shared picnic meal in the garden of Vicarage Farmhouse next to the church in Church Way. This is by very kind invitation of Terry and Clare. **Please arrive from 1:00pm onwards.**



Please bring your own picnic and drinks although some food and drinks will also be available on a first come, first serve basis. Some salads, vegetarian and gluten-free offerings will be provided. A large part of the courtyard will be covered with a number of gazebos, so please do not let the weather put you off coming. There will also be a no-obligation retiring collection in aid of the church funds.

Special thanks from us all to **Terry, Clare, Pumpkin and Treacle!**

Records of when our church was built are a bit vague. The earliest parts were built in c1135 but other records mention 1140 too. The church was consecrated in 1150 then further work took place c1170. The church was consecrated again in 1273. Given that it would have taken many years to build anything this substantial it is safest just to say the church was built A VERY LONG TIME AGO. How marvellous that the gospel message has been alive in our village for so long!

But what was happening in the country back then?

In 1135 doctors warned King Henry I against eating lampreys but he enjoyed eating the slippery fish so much that he devoured a whole plateful of them - and died. This led to the coronation of Stephen as King and the start of the civil war between him and Matilda, because Henry had promised the throne to her.

Terry and Clare have promised not to serve lampreys at our Patronal Picnic today.

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Thankyous

- Many thanks again to our wonderful team of **flower ladies** who have put together some lovely floral decorations for our Patronal celebrations.
- Thankyou to the **cleaners** who ensure our church is loved and cared for. If anyone else can offer an hour or two to spread the workload please let Sue Birrell know.
- Thankyou to our **choir** for lifting our worship with your singing. It is always a joy to hear you.
- Thankyou to our team of volunteers who run our **Joyfull Juniors** sessions. We love to hear them all having fun as they learn about God, and to see them together at the Communion rail.
- Thankyou to **EVERYONE** who contributes their time and talents in any way to our church community. We can all play our part in passing on our lovely church building, and the gospel message, to the generations that follow.



Looking ahead

Please note these dates in your diary now:

Sunday 6th September – Outdoor Evensong in the grounds of Hartwell House

Saturday 12th September - Bucks Historic Churches 'Ride and Stride'. The church will be open to welcome visitors

Friday 25th September - MacMillian Coffee Morning in the church

Sunday 27th September – Harvest Festival in SJB

If you have a neighbour or friend who would like to receive a large print copy of this pewsheet please speak to the welcomer or a churchwarden and we will print one off for you.

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