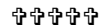


NEXT SUNDAY: 3 FEBRUARY

PRESENTATION OF CHRIST IN THE TEMPLE - CANDLEMAS

Services at St John's:	8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)
	9.30am	All-Age Eucharist
	11.30am	Holy Baptism
Services at St Francis:	6.30pm	BCP Holy Communion with hymns
	10.00am	Sung Mass
Service at St Stephen's:	11.15am	Morning Worship



INTINCTION OR DIPPING AT COMMUNION: You may well have read an article in *The Times* recently as to this practice whereby the host (bread) is dipped into the wine at communion by the recipient. This practice potentially spreads more germs than simply receiving the chalice. To help minimise the spread of germs – especially during the cold and flu season – please would those who instinct/dip refrain from this practice. If you don't want to receive the common cup that is fine, you do not have to. You have fully received of Christ in one kind.

NEWSLETTER ITEMS for next Sunday's newsletter (in writing please) to Annie Mitchell **by Tuesday please (maximum length 4 lines of A5)**. If separate flyers are to be produced, please let her know. **Items for inclusion should now be emailed to:** newsletter@stjohnsboxmoor.org.uk

Newsletter by email. You can receive a copy of this Newsletter every week by email. Send your email address to stjohnchurchnews@stjohnsboxmoor.org.uk and you will be added to the distribution list.

PARISH MAGAZINE: Please note that the deadline for articles for the **March 2019** magazine, including Questions for the Ministry Team and News from the Clubs, is **Sunday 3 February**. You can email direct to magazine@stjohnsboxmoor.org.uk (A5 format please), or leave in pigeonhole in church or deliver direct to 27 Beechfield Road. Sally-Anne Bates, Editor. Tel: 266912.

Please take this Newsletter home with you as a reminder of those who have asked for your prayers and events you may wish to attend

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY

Services at St John's

8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)
9.30am	Parish Eucharist

Hymns: 143, 113, 171

Yellow Book: 30, 41

Anthem: Jesu, Joy of man's desiring – JS Bach

Voluntary: Choral Song - Wesley

Service at St Stephen's, Chaulden

11.15am Holy Communion

Services at St Francis, Hammerfield

10.00am Sung Mass

6.30pm Solemn Evensong & Benediction

THIS WEEK AT ST JOHN'S: 28 January – 2 February

Daily: 8.45am Morning Prayer 5.00pm Evening Prayer (not Saturday)

MONDAY	7.30pm	Holy Communion with prayers for healing
TUESDAY	9.30am	Tiny Tots: stay & play and service (Hall & Church)
	6.30pm	Office Hour (Wedding & Baptism enquiries)
	8.00pm	PCC meeting (H1)
WEDNESDAY	10.30am	Holy Communion followed by coffee
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer (St Francis')
THURSDAY	9.30am	Holy Communion (St Stephen's)
FRIDAY	7.00pm	Choir Practice (Hall 1)
SATURDAY	8.00am	Pray Hemel at Gadebridge Baptist Church
	10.00am	Coffee Morning

Details of next Sunday Services are on the back of the Newsletter

YOUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR:

Churches Together in Hemel Hempstead: Sunrise Church – Queens Square, Adeyfield

those who are ill: Lynsey Abbott, Janet Hislop, John Hutton, Beryl King, Samuel and James Lockyer, Pauline Webb;

those with ongoing needs: Richard Berry, Sheila Charge, Doreen Chilton, Margaret Delph, Angela Green, Steve Hanwell, Jean Harries, Pam Hart, Anne Hosier, Andrew Gunning, Brian Laidlaw, Ruth Merry, Godfrey Rock, David Stevens, Jean Stevens, Beryl Taylor, Jayne Taylor, Jim Taylor, Christine Wilson, Rory Wilson, Mike Winch;

Prayers for others with ongoing needs are offered at our weekday services.

If you wish to be remembered at Morning and Evening Prayer only, please contact the vicar.

those who have died:

Pam Quinlan f: 15 February, 1100 at St John's

Iris Grover f: 19 February, 1100 at St John's

Mattie Crellin, Marie-Anne Holmes-Walker, Rachel Few.

and we pray for their families and friends.

Years mind (27 January – 3 February):

Cedric Futchter (27.1.2015), Doris Gray (30.1.2015), Gillian Swaine (31.1.2014, Irene Dupen (3.2.2017), Keith Tankard (3.2.2016),

TODAY

Copies of today's readings (including large print) are available at the back of each church.

FLOWERS AT THE HIGH ALTAR: In loving memory of John Roff, on his birthday. A caring husband, father, and grandfather. Sponsored by Marion Roff

THIS WEEK

Prayers for Healing: During the Eucharist this Monday evening prayers will be offered for those who request healing in body, mind, or spirit. Please add the names of people you would like prayed for in the red folder at the back of St John's. Why not come along and be prayed for in person? All are welcome.

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NEXT WEEK

KNITTING CIRCLE: The next gathering will be on 4 February, 2pm, at Marion Roff's home (River Park). New people are always welcome.

PARISH NOTICES

PARISH MAGAZINE DELIVERIES: As usual at this time of year I need to review the delivery pattern for the magazines due to changes in numbers and also retirement of people who currently deliver them. I need a couple of people to deliver in the village area, starting from the February 2019 issue next week. Please can you help, contact me asap. Many thanks Alan Munford 01442 242543 or alan.munford@btinternet.com

QUIZ NIGHT: There are places for just 2 people to join a team for the Quiz Night on Saturday 16 February at 7.30pm. All other tables are sold out. Please contact Alan Munford if you would like to come, 01442 242543 or email alan.munford@btinternet.com See poster at back of St John's for more details. Tables of 8. Tickets £10 include supper.

BOXMOOR GOOD NEIGHBOUR SCHEME: Many of us have been part of Neighbourhood Watch for years. This scheme is more than that. It not only asks us to look out for each other's property but also for each other by helping our vulnerable neighbours get to appointments, visiting and befriending folk or helping with shopping. A pilot scheme is to be run in Boxmoor. Is this something with which you might like to be involved? Speak to the Vicar if so.

YOUR CHURCH NEEDS YOU: Over the Christmas period, as ill health and time with families prevented many of our very active volunteers from performing many of their duties, I was struck by how much of our common life is orchestrated by a few people. This is not healthy. If we want to be a Church that thrives, is inclusive, and offers a wide variety of services and events we need to all take responsibility for our common life. There are many ways in which this can be achieved from helping with church cleaning to being a sidesperson and welcomer, a server or coffee maker. Over the coming weeks please consider how you might be able to help sustain our common life.

BOXMOOR TRUST CONSULTATION: You may have seen in the local Press that Boxmoor Trust are canvassing opinion concerning certain parts of their estate. In order to fully resource their work for the future they are exploring deregistering and exchanging small parcels of land. If you wish to register your opinion see the back of St John's for the relevant paperwork.

JUNIOR CHOIR: Calling all young singers at Primary School (4yrs-11yrs) to join our Junior Choir. Next rehearsal will be FRIDAY 8 FEBRUARY, 5.30 – 6.30pm. No fee or prior experience. First 30mins will be singing. Final 30mins for refreshments and musical games. For more info please speak to either the Vicar, Keith Beniston, or Katherine Cox née Boyce.