

NEXT SUNDAY: 2 JUNE

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER *THE SUNDAY AFTER THE ASCENSION*

Services at St John's: 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
9.30am All-Age Eucharist
11.30am Holy Baptism
6.30pm BCP Holy Communion with hymns

Service at St Stephen's: 11.15am Holy Communion

Services at St Francis': 10.00am Sung Mass

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BREXIT PRAYER:

A prayer for our community, country, and leaders in these uncertain times:

God of reconciling hope;
as you guided your people in the past,
guide us through the turmoil of the present time
and bring us to that place of flourishing
where our unity can be restored,
the common good served,
and all shall be made well.
In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

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

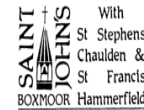
Newsletter by email. You can receive a copy of this Newsletter every week by email. Send your email address to stjohnchurchnews@stjohnsboxmoor.org.uk and you will be added to the distribution list.

PARISH MAGAZINE: Please note that the deadline for articles for the **July 2019** magazine, including Questions for the Ministry Team and News from the Clubs, is **Sunday 2 June**. 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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NEWSLETTER

26 May 2019

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Services at St John's

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
9.30am Parish Eucharist

Hymns: Red Book 173, 194, 235, 391, 73

Anthem: With a voice of singing by M Shaw

Voluntary: Karelia Suite by Sibelius

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: 27 May – 1 June

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

The Parish Office is closed this week

MONDAY Bank Holiday No Services

TUESDAY 9.30am No Tiny Tots (Half Term)
6.30pm Office Hour (Baptism and Wedding enquiries)
8.00pm Church meetings: Communications Committee (Hall 1)
Finance Committee (Parish Office)

WEDNESDAY 10.00am Prayer for Healing
10.30am Holy Communion followed by coffee
5.00pm Evening Prayer (St Francis')

THURSDAY **THE ASCENSION OF OUR LORD**
9.30am Holy Communion (St Stephen's)
8.00pm Deanery Ascension Day Eucharist (St Francis')

FRIDAY 12.30pm MASJ Lunchtime Concert
5.30pm Junior Choir (Hall 1)
7.00pm Choir Practice (Hall 1)

SATURDAY 8.00am Pray Hemel (St Francis')
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: Youth Across Hemel

those who are ill: Lynsey Abbott, Michele Finch, Janet Hislop, John Hutton, Beryl King, Samuel and James Lockyer, Godfrey Rock, Pauline Webb, Daniel Williams;

those with ongoing needs: Richard Berry, Sheila Charge, Margaret Delph, Rev'd Ivor Dowse, Andrew Gunning, Steve Hanwell, Jean Harries, Pam Hart, Anne Hosier, Catherine Keppel, Sheila Lewis, Brian Laidlaw, Ruth Merry, Steve Randall, Marion Roff, 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:

Joyce Gower, Terry Dodd

and we pray for their families and friends.

Years mind (26 May – 1 June):

Sonnie Lillford-Delph (27.5.2015), Mary Merry (30.5.2017).

TODAY

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

TIME, TALENTS & TREASURE: Would all who are on our Electoral Roll and/or are currently Planned Givers please collect their named envelope, giving details of Stewardship 2019 - including Survey and Pledge forms for return – from the back of church. Similar, but unaddressed, envelopes will be available for all other members of the congregation.

THIS WEEK

DEANERY ASCENSION DAY EUCHARIST: 8.00pm, St Francis, Hammerfield. It is our turn to host this principle Feast of the Church within life of our Deanery. Please come along and support, and make our visitors welcome. Refreshments will be served after the service.

MASJ LUNCHTIME CONCERT: This Friday at 12.30pm, Piano Duets by Linden Innes-Hopkins and Matthew Woodward.

THY KINGDOM COME: During the ten days between Ascension Day and Pentecost (30 May – 9 June) the Archbishops of Canterbury and York are once again encouraging congregations within the Anglican Communion to join with Christians from other Churches around the world to pray for spiritual and numerical growth in the Church. Please set some time aside to pray during this time. You might like to pray for 5 people at 5 o'clock each day that they might come to faith, or for an increase in vocations to

Holy Orders, or for those who have been/will be baptised in the Parish this year. Perhaps you might like to join the clergy for either Morning or Evening Prayer during these ten days.

PRAY HEMEL: Please join with others from Hemel Hempstead Churches Together at 8.00am on Saturday morning at St Francis' to pray for the needs of our town.

NEXT WEEK

TOGETHER ON MONDAY CLUB: An evening of "Note" – Speaker: Keith Beniston, 7.45pm Monday 3 June in the Hall.

FLOWER FESTIVAL: Friday 7 & Saturday 8 June 10am-5pm, Sunday 9 June 11am-5pm. Please come along and bring your friends to enjoy the wonderful floral displays.

PARISH NOTICES

FLOWER FESTIVAL: 7, 8, 9 June. HELP NEEDED!!!

This is a major fundraiser for the Parish as well as being a positive way of showing we are a Church that is alive and kicking. Please help with the Stewarding and refreshments throughout the Festival and at the Festival Fair with Stalls outside. Please see the accompanying flyer and sign-up sheets at the back of church.

SUNDAY LUNCH AT ST JOHN'S: Please sign up for the next lunch, to which all are welcome, on the 16 June.

PARISH MAGAZINE FOR JUNE: The June magazine is now available at the back of church. Distributors please collect your bundles from near the font, and the very few remaining subscriptions be paid to me ASAP. Many thanks, Alan Munford.

TIME, TALENTS & TREASURE: following-on from the Lent Course on the Gifts of the Spirit we shall be spending time during Easter Season to look at how we are using the gifts God has given each of us.

DEANERY OUTING TO ELY: Saturday 10 August. Coach departs St John's t 9.00am. A guided tour of Ely Cathedral has been arranged. Cost: £26, including coach fare, driver's gratuity and tour. Cheques payable to Hemel Hempstead Deanery Synod. Please sign the list at the back of church by the end of May. *Graham Gibbs*

ELECTORAL ROLL: A copy of the new roll as accepted by the APCM is available for inspection at our three churches. Because St John's church is open daily and sometimes unattended, this copy will be available at the Parish office during office hours.

CHURCHWARDEN'S EASTER APPEAL: Thank you very much for your generosity to date. Please make any further donations to this appeal (for new boilers at St John's) via the designated envelopes. To date nearly £3,000 has been received. Thank you.