

NEXT SUNDAY: 29 SEPTEMBER

ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

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| Services at St John's: | 8.00am | BCP Holy Communion |
| | 9.30am | Parish Eucharist |
| | 3-5pm | Messy Church |
| Service at St Stephen's | 11.15am | Morning Worship |
| Service at St Francis': | 10.00am | Sung Mass |
| | 6.30pm | <u>No Evening Service</u> |

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GRAND DRAW: A reminder to take every opportunity over the summer to sell to friends, family, neighbours, acquaintances Grand Draw tickets. This is a significant fundraiser for the Parish – we need it to do well. Top prize £1000. Books of tickets available at the back of St John's. Completed books and cash to be returned to the Parish Office/Clergy in person. Do not leave cash in pigeon holes at back of church. Thank you.

HELP NEEDED: Could you take on the task of organising the advertising in our **Parish Magazine?** Trevor Boyce has done this for many years and wishes to take a well-earned rest. Contact Sally-Anne Bates, magazine editor: magazine@stjohnsboxmoor.org.uk

NEWSLETTER ITEMS for **next Sunday's newsletter** (in writing) **by Tuesday please** (maximum length 4 lines of A5). If separate flyers are to be produced, please let the Office know. **Please email to:** newsletter@stjohnsboxmoor.org.uk

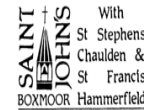
Newsletter by email. You can receive a copy of this Newsletter every week by email. Send your email address to stjohnchurchnews@stjohnsboxmoor.org.uk and you will be added to the distribution list.

PARISH MAGAZINE: Please note that the deadline for articles for the **November 2019** magazine is Sunday 6 October, including Questions for the Ministry Team and News from the Clubs. 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

ST MATTHEW, APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Services at St John's

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| 8.00am | Holy Communion (BCP) |
| 9.30am | Parish Eucharist |
| <i>Hymns:</i> | <i>Red Book: 199, 122, 170, 431</i> |
| | <i>Yellow Book: 41</i> |
| <i>Anthem:</i> | <i>Thorne – Christ is our Cornerstone</i> |
| <i>Voluntary:</i> | <i>DeHolt – Prelude on "St Matthew"</i> |

Service at St Stephen's: 11.15am Holy Communion

Services at St Francis': 10.00am Sung Mass

6.30pm Solemn Evensong & Benediction

THIS WEEK AT ST JOHN'S: 23-28 September

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| Daily: | <i>8.45am Morning Prayer</i> | <i>5.00pm Evening Prayer (not Saturday)</i> |
| MONDAY | 7.30pm | Holy Communion with Healing |
| | 8.00pm | Church Meetings: Communications (Hall 1) Finance (Hall 2) |
| TUESDAY | 9.30am | Tiny Tots – Stay, Play & Service (Hall & Church) |
| | 2.15pm | South Hill School KS2 Harvest Service |
| | 6.30pm | Office Hour (Baptism and Wedding Enquiries) |
| WEDNESDAY | 10.30am | Holy Communion followed by coffee |
| | 5.00pm | Evening Prayer (St Francis') |
| | 8.00pm | Preparation meeting for Countdown to Christmas Fayre (Parish Office) |
| THURSDAY | 9.30am | Holy Communion (St Stephen's) |
| | 8.15pm | Wedding rehearsal |
| FRIDAY | 12.30pm | MASJ Lunchtime Concert – John Wyatt - Organ |
| | 5.30pm | Junior Choir Practice (Hall 1) |
| | 7.00pm | Choir Practice (Hall 1) |
| SATURDAY | 10.00am | Coffee Morning |
| | 2.00pm | Wedding – Luke Connell and Lauren Richards |

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

YOUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR:

Churches Together in Hemel Hempstead: Our hospitals – Hemel Hempstead, St Albans & Watford.

Those getting married this week: Luke Connell and Lauren Richards

those who are ill: Lynsey Abbott, Michele Finch, Margaret Gunning, Jean Hammond, Janet Hislop, John Hutton, Beryl King, Baby Chloë Lear, Samuel and James Lockyer, Godfrey Rock, Pauline Webb;

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, Jean Stevens, Beryl Taylor, Jayne Taylor, Jim Taylor, Daniel Williams, 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:

Emily, Ray Gillard, David Stevens, Brenda;

and we pray for their families and friends.

Years mind (22-28 September): Diana Browne (23.9.14), Diane Foster (23.9.15), Betty McDonald (24.9.15), Peter Moore (24.9.16), Marian Latchford (25.9.16), Colin Barnard (27.9.17), Dorothy Corrigan (28.9.18),

TODAY

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

SOLEMN EVENSONG AND BENEDICTION: tonight at St Francis, Hammerfield, at 6.30pm. All are welcome for traditional congregational evensong, sermon, prayers and blessing before the Blessed Sacrament, and refreshments.

THIS WEEK

BOILER WORKS: Work begins this week to replace the boilers at St John's. This should take approx. 2 weeks so heating should be available in time for Harvest Festival. Thank you to all who have worked so hard to bring this project to fruition.

PREP MEETING FOR THE COUNTDOWN TO CHRISTMAS FAYRE

There will be a preparation meeting for the Fayre in the parish office on **Wednesday 25 September** at 8pm. All are welcome! For any information speak to Cathy Shaw.

JUNIOR CHOIR: The Junior Choir will rehearse as usual this Friday, 5.30pm-6.30pm, in St John's Hall. New singers always welcome.

QUIZ NIGHT CANCELLED: Due to unforeseen circumstances the Quiz Night on 28 September has been cancelled.

NEXT WEEK

MESSY CHURCH: **Sunday 29 September**, 3-5pm: Harvest – fun, craft, worship and refreshments for all the family (especially children). See posters for details.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF MUSIC AT ST JOHN'S will take place after the lunchtime concert on Friday 4 October in the church at 2.00pm.

HARVEST SUPPER: **Saturday 5 October**, 7.30pm at St John's Hall. An evening of entertainment (Joyful Noise) and thanksgiving for the Harvest. Sign-up sheets at the back of each church.

ST FRANCIS PATRONAL FESTIVAL & DAY: **Saturday 5 October**, 10.30am doors open for stalls, craft, and refreshments. Lockers Park Prep School choir will perform; Fr Ben to return to give a recital; Lunches available. Mass and Benediction at 3.30pm. All welcome to celebrate the life of St Francis Church. Proceeds split with St Francis Hospice.

TRAINING FOR LONE-WORKERS IN CHURCH AND WELCOMERS on dealing with difficult and violent visitors in church, with Canon John Williams on **Saturday 5 October** 10.30am-1pm at St Mary's Apsley End.

PARISH NOTICES

HARVEST FESTIVAL: We will give thanks for the Harvest on **Sunday 6 October**. Please see flyer for produce donations for DENS. Financial offerings to the Bishop's Appeal: Light up Tanzania.

OLD SHIRTS NEEDED: Messy Church would be grateful for any clean, old shirts, that can be used to protect children's clothing. They can be left at the back of the church.

HOSPICE FASHION SHOW: **Wednesday 25 September – doors open 7:30- 9:30pm** Join us for a sophisticated evening of style, sparkle and shoulder pads at The Hospice's '40 years of Fashion' Show taking place at Shendish Manor in Apsley. Watch models showcase looks from the 70s, 80s, 90s and 00s and look at fashions gone by. Tickets are £15. Visit: stfrancis.org.uk/fashionshow.

CONFIRMATIONS: We have a very exciting and encouraging group of 10-12 people who are exploring Confirmation. Preparation sessions will run on Saturday mornings, beginning on **Saturday 5 October 10-11.30** at the St John's. It is not too late to join the group – please speak with Mike or Ruth. Meantime, please pray for those who will be part of the group as they prepare for this important step in their Christian faith. Ruth Goatly

SILENT FILM SHOW: Note for your diaries. There will be a Silent Film Show on **Saturday 19 October**, more details to follow.

BIKE N HIKE REPORT: Congratulations to Mark Harbour and Andy Fisher who cycled 30 miles, visited 22 churches and Mark only fell off once - on a route from St Johns to Apsley, Kings Langley, Abbots Langley, Hemel, Northchurch, Berkhamsted and back. Over £300 has been raised by them, and thanks to Bruce and Harry Owen who also rode and raised money. Finally thank you to all our sponsors and those who welcomed others to our churches!! If you sponsored them, it is now time to honour your pledge. Thanks.