

NEXT SUNDAY: 6 OCTOBER

HARVEST FESTIVAL

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Services at St John's:	8.00am	BCP Holy Communion
	9.30am	All Age Parade Eucharist <i>with presentation of gifts</i>
	11.30am	Holy Baptism
	6.30pm	BCP Holy Communion
Service at St Stephen's	11.15am	Morning Worship
Service at St Francis':	10.00am	Sung Mass

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GRAND DRAW: A reminder to take every opportunity to sell Grand Draw tickets to friends, family, neighbours, acquaintances. 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

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

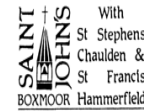
Newsletter by email. You can receive a copy of this Newsletter every week by email. Send your email address to stjohnchurchnews@stjohnsboxmoor.org.uk and you will be added to the distribution list.

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

No. 3767

29 September 2019

ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Services at St John's

8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)
9.30am	Parish Eucharist <i>Hymns: Red Book: 163, 320, 41, 256, 198</i> <i>Anthem: Arr Willcocks – Angelus Ad Virginem</i> <i>Voluntary: Darke – Ye holy angels bright</i>
3.00-5.00pm	Messy Church
6.30pm	<u>No Evening Service</u>

Services at St Francis': 10.00am Sung Mass

Service at St Stephen's: 11.15am Morning Worship

THIS WEEK AT ST JOHN'S: 30 September- 5 October

Daily:	<i>8.45am Morning Prayer 5.00pm Evening Prayer (not Saturday)</i>
MONDAY	8.00pm Church Meetings: Fund Raising (Hall 2) Social (Office)
TUESDAY	9.30am Tiny Tots – Stay, Play & Service (Hall & Church) 11.30am Bereavement Meeting 6.30pm Office Hour (Baptism and Wedding Enquiries)
WEDNESDAY	10.30am Holy Communion followed by coffee 5.00pm Evening Prayer (St Francis')
THURSDAY	<i>The Parish Office will be closed today</i> 9.30am Holy Communion (St Stephen's) 8.00pm Wedding rehearsal
FRIDAY	12.30pm MASJ Lunchtime Concert – Mike Cayton – <i>piano</i> . Followed by Annual General Meeting (over lunch) 7.00pm Choir Practice (Hall 1)
SATURDAY	ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI (<i>tr</i>) 8.30am Pray Hemel (New Hope Church, Hemel Hempstead) 10.00am Coffee Morning 10.00am Confirmation Preparation Classes (Children's Room) 10.00am St Francis' Patronal Open Day begins (St Francis') 2.00pm Wedding – Luke Baker and Kerri Stanley 3.30pm High Mass and Benediction (St Francis') 7.30pm Harvest Supper and entertainment (Hall)

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

YOUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR:

Churches Together in Hemel Hempstead: St Mark's Church – meeting at JFK School, Warners End (RC)

those getting married this week: Luke Baker and Kerri Stanley

those who are ill: Lynsey Abbott, Norryeda Deaney, Michele Finch, Margaret Gunning, Jean Hammond, Janet Hislop, John Hutton, Beryl King, Baby Chloë Lear, Samuel and James Lockyer, Ian Packe, 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:

Brenda;

and we pray for their families and friends.

Years mind (29 September – 5 October): Peter Bennett (3.10.17), Joyce Scott (4.10.14), Susan Dunnett (5.10.16),

TODAY

MESSY CHURCH: This afternoon, 3.00pm-5.00pm Gather in St John's Hall for fun, craft, worship and refreshments for all the family (especially children) exploring the Harvest. See posters and flyers for details.

EVENING SERVICE: There is NO evening Service tonight.

THIS WEEK

BOILER WORKS: Work continues this week to replace the boilers at St John's. This should take approx. one more week 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.

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.

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.

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. If transport is required please note on the sign-up sheets.

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.

NEXT WEEK

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.

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

PARISH NOTICES

MISSING FLOWER SPONSORSHIP BOOK: This book has gone missing from the back of St John's. It has been replaced with a new one but please ensure that you add your details again if you had entered information in the previous book.

2020 BOXMOOR PARISH CALENDAR: Our very colourful 2020 Parish Calendar is now available for sale. The calendar will be available at all our three churches after the main Sunday and main weekday services for the next few weeks. The price of the Calendar is **£6 each** or **two for £10**, an envelope is included in the price should you wish to post a copy. Please support this fundraising project by purchasing your copy.

SILENT FILM SHOW: Fr Ben will once again provide the music for our viewing of a classic love triangle film *Piccadilly* on **Saturday 19 October**. Tickets: £10 supper and film, £3 film only. 6.30pm for supper, 7.30pm for screening. Sign-up sheets at back of our churches.

NO FLORAL FOAM! WHATEVER NEXT!: The next meeting of West Herts Flower Club is in the church hall at 7.30pm on **Thursday 3 October**. The alternatives available for more eco-friendly flower arranging demonstrated by Catherine Holness. Visitors always welcome £6.00 on the door.

OCTOBER MAGAZINE: Bundles are available for delivery from the back of St John's by the font. Many thanks.

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._

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