

NEXT SUNDAY: 2 FEBRUARY
CANDLEMAS – THE PRESENTATION OF CHRIST IN THE TEMPLE

Services at St John's:	8.00am	BCP Holy Communion
	9.30am	All-Age Eucharist <i>sung by the Junior Choir</i>
	11.30am	Holy Baptism
	6.30pm	BCP Holy Communion with Hymns
Service at St Stephen's:	11.15am	Morning Worship
Service at St Francis':	10.00am	Sung Mass

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The altar flowers this week are sponsored by Marion Roff and family in loving memory of John Roff on the Anniversary of his death on 26 January, and his birthday on 4 February.

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NEWSLETTER ITEMS for next Sunday's newsletter (in writing) **by Tuesday please**. 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 **March 2020** magazine is **Sunday 2 February**, 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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THIRD SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY

SUNDAY 26 JANUARY 2020

Services at St John's

8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)
9.30am	Parish Eucharist

Hymns: Red Book: 143, 113, 312, 171

Yellow Book: 41

Anthem: Bullard – Star of the East

Voluntary: JS Bach – Prelude in G Minor

Service at St Stephen's:	11.15am	Holy Communion
Services at St Francis':	10.00am	Sung Mass
	6.30pm	Solemn Evensong and Benediction of St Paul

THIS WEEK AT ST JOHN'S: 27 January – 1 February

Daily:	8.45am Morning Prayer	5.00pm Evening Prayer (not Saturday)
MONDAY	7.30pm	Holy Communion
	8.00pm	Church Meetings: Communications Committee (Hall 2) Finance Committee (Parish Office)
TUESDAY	9.30am	Tiny Tots – Stay, Play and Service (Hall & Church)
	6.45pm	Office Hour – Baptism & Wedding enquiries
	8.00pm	Church Meetings: Fundraising Committee (Hall 2) Social Committee (Parish Office)
WEDNESDAY	10.30am	Holy Communion <i>followed by coffee</i>
	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: Breakfast from 8.00am, Service at 8.30am
	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: Adam, Lynsey Abbott, Trevor Boyce, Catherine, Michele Finch, Margaret Gunning, Jean Hammond, Janet Hislop, John Hutton, Beryl King, Nicholas King, Vera Knight, Baby Chloë Lear, Lizzie, Paul McCormick, Elizabeth McDonald, Rev'd Rex Merry, Godfrey Rock, Vicky, Pauline Webb;

those with ongoing needs: Richard Berry, Sheila Charge, Val Darvill, Margaret Delph, Rev'd Ivor Dowse, Andrew Gunning, Steve Hanwell, Jean Harries, Pam Hart, Anne Hosier, Catherine Keppel, Sheila Lewis, Brian Laidlaw, Samuel and James Lockyer, Ruth Merry, Steve Randall, Marion Roff, Jean Stevens, Beryl Taylor, Jayne Taylor, Jim Taylor, Ken Warby, 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 recently:

Norah Norris funeral 30 January, 3.00pm, Chilterns Crematorium

Gladys Pearson, Tom

and we pray for their families and friends.

Years mind 26 January – 1 February: Nora Field (27.1.2019), Cedric Futcher (27.1.2015), Doris Gray (30.1.2015).

TODAY

GADE VALLEY HARRIERS MARATHON TRAINING RUN: Parking today might be an issue due to the planned training run. If you are finding it difficult, the car park in Park Road is the nearest and cheapest pay & display to St John's. Sorry for any inconvenience.

EVENSONG & BENEDICTION: 6.30pm at St Francis. A chance to meditate in the Lord's presence within the traditional and much loved service of Evensong. All welcome.

THIS WEEK

PRAY HEMEL: St John's Church will be hosting the next Pray Hemel next **THIS SATURDAY, 1 February**. Breakfast from 8.00am, Service at 8.30am. Please come and welcome Christians from all over Hemel as we join together to pray for the life of our town, nation, and world.

PARISH NOTICES

LICENSING AND COMMISSIONING OF NEW RURAL DEAN: Our Vicar will be Licensed as Rural Dean of Hemel Hempstead during Choral Evensong on **Sunday 9 February**, 6.30pm by the Archdeacon of Hertford. Your support would be most appreciated.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER: Churches Together in Hemel Hempstead invite everyone to join this global, ecumenical service on **Friday 6 March**, 11.00am at St Benedicts Church, Peascroft Road.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS: The PCC have been in consultation with the YMCA and other local partners about starting a Youth Club. Conversations are progressing well. Your prayers are asked for the Lord's blessing on this project which is hoped will start later this year.

HEMEL HOSPITAL ACTION GROUP: You may have seen on Facebook that a new(ish) action group has been formed to campaign for a new, centrally located Hospital for West Herts. A Campaign March is proposed for **Saturday 16 May**. You might like to consider joining this walk.

OFFICE HOUR: Did you know that you can come and book a time to speak with a member of Clergy every week during our Office Hour? If you would like to discuss anything, then why not give it a try.

FLOWER SPONSORSHIP: If you would like to sponsor flowers for a special occasion, there is a book at the back of Church where you can write your name and request. Otherwise contact Sue Brown or Jean Frith.

SAFEGUARDING: With safeguarding in the public eye again this week, I'd like to take a moment to remind you how seriously we take safeguarding in the parish. We follow all the requirements of the House of Bishops' policy and the church legislative requirements. We practice safe recruiting and we have a parish safeguarding officer. We have participated in the diocese's safeguarding training and follow the requirement for this to be refreshed every three years. There is signposting on the parish website and noticeboards about who to contact in case there are any issues anyone wishes to raise. The diocese's and our approach to handling any situation that does arise is best described as 'survivor led.'

NEXT QUIZ NIGHT: Saturday 14 March, 7.30pm. This quiz will see the return of the internal question master. Tickets now on sale from Alan Munford.