

# NEWSLETTER

## **ALL OUR CHURCHES OPEN FOR PUBLIC WORSHIP**

**SERVICES SUBJECT TO CORONAVIRUS PRECAUTIONS – SEE REVERSE FOR LATEST INFO.**

**PLEASE FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS TO KEEP YOURSELF AND OTHERS SAFE**

### **CHURCH CLUBS & GROUPS REMAIN SUSPENDED**

#### **SUNDAY 18 OCTOBER:**

#### **BIBLE SUNDAY & ST LUKE**

	8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	St John's
	10.00am	Parish Eucharist	St John's
		<i>precautions in place and streamed from 12noon, Monday, on our website for those unable to join physically</i>	
	10.00am	Mass	St Francis'
	11.30am	Morning Worship	St Stephen's
	6.30pm	Evening Prayer (BCP – said)	St John's
Monday-Friday	9.00am	Morning Prayer	St John's
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer (Wednesday at St Francis')	St John's
Wednesday	9.30am	Prayers for Healing	St John's
	10.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	St John's
	11.00am	Zoom Coffee Morning – request link from Vicar	Zoom

#### **SUNDAY 25 OCTOBER:**

#### **LAST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

*Note: British Summer Time comes to an end - Clocks go back one hour to GMT*

		Holy Communion (BCP)	St John's
	8.00am	Parish Eucharist	St John's
	10.00am	<i>precautions in place and streamed from 12noon, Monday, on our website for those unable to join physically</i>	
		Mass	St Francis'
	10.00am	Holy Communion	St Stephen's
	11.30am	No Evening Service this week	

#### **OUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR:**

**all who are infected or affected by the Coronavirus pandemic:**

our hospitals and all health professionals  
our schools, shops, and other services

for all who are infected and their families  
for all who are anxious or struggling financially

**those who are ill:** Lynsey Abbott, Becky, Catherine, Sheila Charge, Derek Cordery, John Hutton, Jean, Beryl King, Baby Chloë Lear, Lizzie, Paul McCormick, Elizabeth McDonald, Pat Moran, Pauline Webb;

**those with ongoing needs:** Richard Berry, Trevor Boyce, Val Davill, Margaret Delph, Rev'd Ivor Dowse, Michele Finch, Derek Frost, Josie Gower, Andrew Gunning, Margaret Gunning, John & Debby, Steve Hanwell, Jean Harries, Pam Hart, Anne Hosier, Catherine Keppel, Sheila Lewis, Brian Laidlaw, Samuel & James Lockyer, Rev'd Rex Merry, Ruth Merry, Steve Randall, Godfrey Rock, Marion Roff, Jean Stevens, Beryl Taylor, Jayne Taylor, Jim Taylor, Ken Warby, Christine Wilson, Rory Wilson, Mike Winch;

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

**those who have died recently and we pray for their families and friends.**

Valerie Smith funeral: 29 October, 12.30pm at St John's  
Simon Woodmore (Priest),

**Years mind 18—24 October:** Michael Woolhead (18.10.16).

**Churches Together in Hemel Hempstead:** our Police Force.

## PARISH NOTICES

**CORONAVIRUS GUIDANCE:** Public Worship is offered in this Parish in accordance with the National Guidelines:

- **PLACES OF WORSHIP ARE NOT COUNTED AS 'SOCIAL GATHERINGS' – SERVICES AS 'NORMAL'.**
- **PLEASE STAY VIGILANT AS LOCAL CASE NUMBERS FLUCTUATE.**
- **WASHING OF HANDS/USE OF HAND SANITISER** is required on entry and exit.
- **SOCIAL DISTANCING OF 2m TO BE MAINTAINED WHERE POSSIBLE**, 1m+ where not. Sit where directed by the stewards and follow the one-way route.
- **FACE COVERINGS ARE REQUIRED, BY LAW, TO BE WORN FOR ALL PUBLIC ACTS OF WORSHIP.**  
We have a supply at church should you forget to bring yours. Ministers will wear masks when in close proximity to you but are not required to wear one when leading the service.
- **Services are shorter.** We know it is not pleasant wearing a face covering for over an hour so we will be omitting parts of the service. These will be advised on the day and evident from the Hymn and Reading Sheet/Order of Service.
- **Up to 65 people may attend** Services at St John's, 25 at St Francis, and 20 at St Stephen's. There is plenty of opportunity to join us in Worship – Worshippers will be asked for contact details on arrival for test and trace, should this be necessary.
- Congregational Singing is still prohibited in all churches. Music is provided via recordings
- Communion is administered in one kind (sharing of the Common Cup still suspended). Please follow the directions of the Sidespeople or remain in your seat (depending on the service)
- Orders of Service and other worship resources will be available for use and are to be taken home. **PLEASE BRING THEM WITH YOU NEXT TIME YOU COME.**
- Junior Church remains suspended and the Children's Room and Activity bags are out of use.
- Financial offerings will be via the Plate stationed at the back of church, not passed between each other.
- For those unable to physically join the Parish Eucharist at 10.00am it will be **streamed on our website** from **12noon on Mondays**. Since the re-start of more services, and the time pressures this places on our team, we are unable to guarantee publishing the video on Sundays. We are, regrettably, now publishing at 12noon on Mondays (unless stated otherwise). The usual Worship resources remain available on our Website [www.stjohnsboxmoor.org.uk](http://www.stjohnsboxmoor.org.uk)
- **Holy Communion continues to be offered on Wednesday mornings at 10.00am at St John's.** This will usually be followed by the Zoom Coffee Morning at 11.00am.

**RUTH GOATLY:** As you will be aware the Rev. Ruth Goatly will be leaving the Parish on 1 November. We would like to make a presentation to her to thank her for her contribution to the life of our Parish. Please give any donations to the Churchwardens, Marian Davies or Job Rombout, or to Lorraine Ioannou or the vicar.

**APCM NEWS:** Congratulations to Marian Davies and Rosie Shaw who were elected Churchwarden and Deputy Churchwarden respectively last week, to work alongside Job Rombout and Jo Fisher. Also to Marion Cowe, Glenn Clayton, Jean Garner and Cathy Shaw who were elected to the PCC and to Graham Gibbs, Jo Fisher, and Lorraine Ioannou who were elected to Deanery Synod. Chris Angell was re-elected as Treasurer, Ian Packe re-elected as Electoral Roll Officer, and Graham Gibbs and Carole Lewis were elected to the Standing Committee. Thank you to one and all for the contributions you make to our common life in Christ.

**CLOCKS:** Please note the clocks go back 1 hour next week

**ALL SOULS' & MEMORIAL SERVICE:** We shall be remembering in our prayers those whom we love but are parted from by death at these specific services:

Sun 1 November, 4pm, St John's – Annual Memorial Service – *Admission by free ticket available from [www.ticketsource.co.uk/booking/t-zmqpqg](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/booking/t-zmqpqg) This Service will be sung by the Choir.*

Mon 2 November, 8pm, St Francis – Requiem Mass

Wed 4 November, 10.00am, St John's – Holy Communion with remembrance

If you would like your departed loved ones to be remembered by name, please write their names on the list at the back of our churches. Candles will be lit (in a socially distanced manner) for those remembered by name. All are welcome to these services.

**CHURCH FLOWERS:** I am very pleased to say that we can now have flowers back in church. If you enjoy seeing them we, the flower arrangers are happy and feel it is our way of thanking God for all the wonderful things he gives us. If you could make a donation to the flower fund, we and the church would be very grateful as there is no funding from the church accounts. Please speak to me, Jean Frith or Chris Angell. Sue Brown.