

NEWSLETTER

SUNDAY 30 MAY:

THE HOLY AND UNDIVIDED TRINITY

8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	St John's
10.00am	Parish Eucharist	St John's
10.00am	Mass	St Francis'
11.30am	Holy Communion	St Stephen's
	No Evening Service	

Daily

9.30-5.00 Church open for Private Prayer
The Vicar will say Morning and Evening Prayer privately

Tuesday

9.30am Tiny Tots St John's Hall

Wednesday

10.00am BCP Holy Communion St John's
11.00am Zoom Coffee Morning Zoom
5.00pm Evening Prayer St Francis'

Thursday

CORPUS CHRISTI – Day of Thanksgiving for the Institution of Holy Communion

8.00pm High Mass and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament St Francis'
MASJ Concert: MASJ website

Friday

SUNDAY 6 JUNE:

FIRST SUNDAY OF TRINITY

8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	St John's
10.00am	Parish Eucharist	St John's
10.00am	Mass	St Francis'
11.30am	Morning Worship	St Stephen's
	No Evening Service	

OUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR:

all who are infected or affected by the Coronavirus pandemic:

our hospitals and all health professionals	for all who are infected and their families
our schools, shops, and other services	for all who are anxious or struggling financially
our vaccination centres and all who volunteer	for all who mourn loved ones

those who are ill: Lynsey Abbott, Becky, Catherine, Derek Cordery, Beryl King, Lizzie, Paul McCormick, Elizabeth McDonald, Pamela, Kelvin Porter, Stanley Rose;

those with ongoing needs: Richard Berry, John Bery, Trevor Boyce, Val Darvill, Margaret Delph, Gill Dow, Rev'd Ivor Dowse, Michele Finch, Derek Frost, Josie Gower, Andrew Gunning, Margaret Gunning, Steve Hanwell, Jean Harries, Pam Hart, Anne Hosier, Ian, Catherine Keppel, Chloë Lear, 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, Christine Wilson, John 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.

John Paton

those whose Years mind is this week: 30 May – 5 June: Mary Merry (30.5.17), John Bailey (31.5.19), Isabella Savage (2.6.16), John Maguire (4.6.17), Jean Gale (5.6.18),

those who have recently married, and those preparing to wed

Churches Together in Hemel Hempstead: Youth Across Hemel

Parish Office: The office is closed this week. Normal hours are Tuesdays and Thursdays 10.30am-1.30pm.

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PARISH NOTICES

COVID UPDATE: FROM 17 MAY 2021

- Various restrictions are easing in accordance with the Government's *Roadmap*:
 - Up to 30 adults can attend weddings and baptisms
 - No limit on numbers of mourners except must be able to Social Distance – up to 100 people here
 - Up to 30 adults can attend children's groups, eg Tiny Tots
 - 2 households/rule of 6 can meet indoors and overnight stays permitted
 - Indoor hospitality allowed including concerts, pubs, and restaurants
 - International Travel allowed to selected destinations
- Within Church:
 - Social Distancing to be maintained
 - Track & Trace will be in operation
 - Communion will be in one kind (Bread) – please be directed by the sidespeople.
 - The Eucharist will be celebrated and broadcast from St John's each week and can be joined from 8.00am each Sunday. Worship resources remain available for each Sunday on our Website www.stjohnsboxmoor.org.uk/suspended-services-resources
 - Please keep phoning/writing to each other and helping where there is need.
 - Face Coverings to be worn
 - Congregational Singing still NOT approved

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP: The Pandemic has made the PCC re-evaluate our financial position as you may have heard in a sermon in recent weeks. Please continue to pray about your level of giving to the work of the Church and then commit to seeing that happen. Information is available at the back of all our churches on the state of our parish finances, ways in which we can give to God, and a theological grounding to our financial offering. Please contact Chris Angell for more information on 01442 244158 or pcctreasurer@stjohnsboxmoor.org.uk Thank you to those who have already recommitted to giving in a regular and sustainable manner.

LUNCHTIME CONCERTS: Music at St John's has launched its second series of recorded concerts which you can access via www.masj.org.uk/events Recitalists this term include Linden Innes-Hopkins, Anna Le Hair, Ken Martlew, and our own Director of Music: Keith Beniston – not to be missed!

ST ALBANS DIOCESAN SYNOD 2021-2024 ELECTIONS

A new Diocesan Synod has to be elected this year and will take office on 1 August 2021. Our Deanery is required to elect 3 members to the House of Laity, and any lay person who is an actual communicant of 16 years or upwards and whose name is entered on the electoral roll of any parish in the Deanery is eligible. If you are interested or would like more information, please speak to *your clergy or Deanery representative*. Nominations are required by 1 June.

CHURCH FLOWERS: Following Sue Brown's well-earned retirement from organising the Church Flower rota, I have taken over the reins from her. If anyone wishes to sponsor a flower arrangement I would be very glad to hear from you. I can be contacted on 01442 249629 or 07907490124. Thank you in anticipation of your support, Julie Boyce

TINY TOTS: Tiny Tots has resumed – please spread the word! 9.30–11.00am every Tuesday until the summer holidays. Please bring your own refreshments as we can't offer them yet.

VIRTUAL COFFEE MORNING: Every Wednesday at 11.00am on Zoom. All are welcome. For login details please contact the vicar.

GET ONE – GIVE ONE: As the vaccination roll-out continues with speed in this country have you considered, in thankfulness for your job, giving someone else in another country the chance to receive theirs by donating to COVAX or Christian Aid? <https://covaxamc.ctdonate.org/> or <https://www.christianaid.org.uk/give/ways-donate/give-thanks-your-coronavirus-vaccine>

DO YOU OWN A VERTUO COFFEE MAKER? Rosie Shaw has a box of Vertuo Nespresso Coffee Pods delivered to her in error that the company do not want returned. The pods are best before end of November 2021 and are yours for free (or a donation to church funds). If anyone can use them please contact Rosie – rosie.shaw@outlook.com

FOR THE GARDEN: Tomato plants available and ready for planting now, in 4 varieties - Ailsa Craig, Alicante, Sungold and Red Alert (bush type). Suggested donation of 50p+, to St John's. Contact Ian Williams, on 01442 256216.

WANTED: Pretty pages in Diaries etc! The wedding season is upon us and requests for confetti cones are beginning to start. Do you have any pretty pages in diaries or calendars or books/magazines that I could use to make paper cones from? Please Contact Dee Fisher if you have anything- thank you 01442 266311