



St John's Boxmoor, St Stephen's Chaulden & St Francis' Hammerfield

No. 3847 13 June 2021

NEWSLETTER

SUNDAY 13 JUNE: SECOND SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8.00amHoly Communion (BCP)St John's10.00amParish EucharistSt John's10.00amMassSt Francis'11.30amHoly CommunionSt Stephen's

No Evening Service

Daily 9.00-5.00 Church open for Private Prayer

9.00am Morning Prayer St John's

The Vicar will say Evening Prayer privately

Tuesday 9.30am Tiny Tots St John's Hall

8.00pm Deanery Synod St John's

Wednesday 10.00am BCP Holy Communion St John's

11.00am Zoom Coffee Morning Zoom
5.00pm Evening Prayer St Francis

Friday MASJ Concert MASJ website

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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, Michele Finch, Derek Frost, Josie Gower, Andrew Gunning, Margaret Gunning, Steve Hanwell, Jean Harries, Pam Hart, Anne Hosier, 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.

Rev'd Ivor Dowse,

those whose Years mind is this week: 13-19 June:

Jean Reed 13.6.16), Keith Barton (14.6.16), Glenda Ellis (15.6.19).

Churches Together in Hemel Hempstead:

Hemel Hempstead Methodist Church, Northridge Way, Chaulden.

Parish Office: The office hours are Tuesdays and Thursdays 10.30am-1.30pm.

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Vicar: 01442 243258 vicar@stjohnsboxmoor.org.uk

PARISH NOTICES

COVID UPDATE: FROM 17 MAY 2021

- Various restrictions have eased in accordance with the Government's Roadmap:
 - o Up to 30 adults can attend weddings and baptisms
 - o 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
- Within Church:
 - Social Distancing to be maintained
- Face Coverings to be worn
- Track & Trace will be in operation
- Congregational Singing still NOT approved
- o 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.

<u>FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP</u>: 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 <u>pcctreasurer@stjohnsboxmoor.org.uk</u> Thank you to those who have already recommitted to giving in a regular and sustainable manner.

COMBINED PARISH EUCHARIST, BBQ, & CRICKET MATCH: On Sunday 27 June we will be coming together as a parish to worship, to witness, and to share laughter and friendship. The Parish Eucharist will be at 10.00am at St John's (with no services at St Francis' or St Stephen's). A BBQ will follow at 12noon where all the necessary Covid precautions will be in place. Tables of 6 or 2 families, food served to you and lots of hand sanitiser available. £5 for adults, £3 for under 16s – Bring your own drink and glasses. The Cricket match will follow at 3.00pm at Hemel Cricket Club against Boxmoor Odd Sods. If you fancy a game (T20 style) please let the Vicar know.

<u>VANESSA'S ORDINATION & GIFT:</u> On Sunday 27 June Vanessa Hadley-Spencer will be ordained a priest within the Church of God. Numbers are very limited at the service due to C-19 so your prayers are asked for her, rather than attendance. To wish her well on this next stage of ministry the Parish of Boxmoor is to present Vanessa with a Stole – a symbol of her office and calling. If you would like to donate to this gift please put your donation in one of our envelopes and label it "Vanessa" or give it to the Vicar.

<u>SUMMER FETE:</u> Saturday 17 July, 11.00am -4.00pm, in the grounds of St John's. Traditional summer fete with stalls, produce, refreshments, entertainment and games for children, and raffle. Please help us make this a successful fundraising and social event. If you are able to help on the day or can donate bric-a-brac, bottles for the tombola, produce, plants, books or cakes please either leave under the tables at the back of St John's or speak to either Cathy Shaw, Jean Garner, or Anne Lyne.

TINY TOTS: Tiny Tots continues until 20 July – 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.

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

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

<u>ALTAR FLOWERS:</u> The Altar flowers this week are in memory of Ken Cowe. 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.

THE REVEREND IVOR DOWSE RIP: It is with sadness we share the news that Ivor died on Friday morning. He had grown increasingly frail. We give thanks for his ministry in this Parish (1986-1992), for his witness within the Church of God, and pray that the holy angels may lead him to paradise. Details of his funeral will be shared when known.

<u>HELP PLEASE</u>: Does anyone have an old woollen blanket that they never use that I could have? My grandson wants one to make into a camp blanket for scouts. They wrap up in them while singing round the campfire and sew badges on to them so it does not have to be particularly new or in a good condition. Please contact Lorraine on Hemel 213648 if you can help. With thanks.

<u>WANTED:</u> 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