The Parish of Boxmoor

St John’s Boxmoor,

St Stephen’s Chaulden & St Francis’ Hammerfield

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NEWSLETTER

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| **Sunday 6 June:** | **First Sunday after Trinity** |
|  | **8.00am****10.00am****10.00am****11.30am** | **Online Worship this week from St Albans Abbey***https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oHOSblqp5QM***Holy Communion (BCP)** *St John’s***Parish Eucharist** *St John’s***Mass** *St Francis’***Morning Worship** *St Stephen’s**No Evening Service* |
| *Daily* | *9.00-5.00*9.00am | *Church open for Private Prayer*Morning Prayer *St John’s**The Vicar will say Evening Prayer privately* |
| Monday | 8.00pm | Fundraising Committee Meeting *Zoom* |
| Tuesday | 9.30am12.30pm8.00pm | Tiny Tots *St John’s Hall*Deanery Chapter Meeting *St John’s*PCC Standing Committee Meeting *Zoom* |
|  Wednesday  | **10.00am**11.00am5.00pm8.00pm | **BCP Holy Communion**  *St John’s*Zoom CoffeeMorning  *Zoom*Evening Prayer *St Francis’*Communications Committee Meeting *Zoom* |
|  Friday |  | MASJ Concert *MASJ website* |
| **Sunday 13 June:** | **Second Sunday after Trinity** |
|  | **8.00am****10.00am****10.00am****11.30am**12.30pm | **Holy Communion (BCP)** *St John’s***Parish Eucharist** *St John’s***Mass** *St Francis’***Holy Communion** *St Stephen’s*Burial of Ashes – Len Taylor *St John’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, Chloё 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**.

**those whose Years mind is this week: 6-12 June:** Ruth Barden (8.6.19), Shirley Freeman (8.6.18),

**Churches Together in Hemel Hempstead:** St Mary’s, Old Town

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

**PARISH NOTICES**

**COVID UPDATE: FROM 17 MAY 2021**

* Various restrictions have eased 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:

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| * Social Distancing to be maintained
 | * + Face Coverings to be worn
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| * + Track & Trace will be in operation
 | * + Congregational Singing still NOT approved
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| * + Communion will be in one kind (Bread) – please be directed by the sidespeople.
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* 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*](http://www.stjohnsboxmoor.org.uk/suspended-services-resources)

* Please keep phoning/writing to each other and helping where there is need.

**FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP:** The Pandemic has made the PCC re-evaluate our financial position. In the coming weeks information will be provided on the state of our parish finances, ways in which we can give to God, and a theological grounding to our financial offering. Leaflets are available at the back of all our churches. Please contact Chris Angell for more information on 01442 244158 or *pcctreasurer@stjohnsboxmoor.org.uk*

**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*](http://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!

**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.

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** The Altar flowers this week have been sponsored by Tanya and Ashley Cox in memory of their granddaughter Emily.

**MUSIC PERCENTAGE CLUB:** Congratulations to the winners of the May Music Percentage Club draw: 1st Richard Lyne, £15; 2nd Nicholas King, £8; 3rd Carole Lewis, £4. If you know of someone who would be interested in joining the Music Percentage Club and supporting Music at St John’s in this way there are forms in church or please contact Mark Harbour on 01582 841019 or see him in church.

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

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