



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

No. 3852 18 July 2021

# **NEWSLETTER**

SUNDAY 18 JULY: SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

10.00am Parish Eucharist

10.00am Mass

11.30am Morning Worship

1.00pm Holy Baptism

St John's

St John's

St Stephen's

St John'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

Tuesday9.30amTiny TotsSt John's HallWednesday10.00amBCP Holy Communion followed by coffeeSt John's

5.00pm Evening Prayer St Francis

Thursday St Mary Magdalene

Saturday 5.00pm Wedding: Barbara Richardson & Miguel De Abreu Morais Do Valle

SUNDAY 25 JULY: EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8.00amHoly Communion (BCP)St John's10.00amParish EucharistSt John's10.00amMassSt Francis'11.30amMorning WorshipSt Stephen's12noonHoly BaptismSt 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 our community as we "open up"

our schools, shops, and other services for all who are anxious or struggling financially our vaccination centres and all who volunteer for all who sick with Covid or mourn loved ones

those being Baptised this week: Samuel Baxter and Christopher Rhoden;

those who are ill: Lynsey Abbott, Becky, Catherine, Derek Cordery, Jean Dawkins, Pam French, 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, Mike Winch;

If you wish to be remembered at Morning and Evening Prayer <u>only</u>, please contact the Vicar.

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

Rev'd Ivor Dowse, Joan Clayton, John Shaw;

#### those whose Years mind is this week: 18-24 July:

Dennis Mitchell (21.7.20), Alison Honeycombe (22.7.19), Eileen Wright (23.7.19), Eric Parker (23.7.16), Eric Winter (24.7.18);

**Churches Together in Hemel Hempstead:** DENS – Dacorum Emergency Night Shelter and services for homeless people.

#### PARISH NOTICES

### **COVID NOTICES: From Monday 19 July**

In preparation for the Government's easing of lockdown restrictions on Monday, this Parish will operate the following measures in order to help maintain confidence in churches being safe places to come to:

- Various restrictions have eased in accordance with the Government's Roadmap:
  - Attendance at baptisms, weddings, and funerals limited to 100 people here due to Social Distancing
  - o Up to 30 adults can attend children's groups, eg Tiny Tots

#### • Within Church:

- Social Distancing to be maintained although not legally required the PCC believes this should continue.
   One pew (over a metre) to be remain empty between different (bubbles)
- Face Coverings are no longer legally required but are still encouraged particularly when walking around. Your ministers will still wear a face covering when distributing Communion.
- o Congregational Singing is once again permitted indoors.
- Use of hand sanitiser stations is still encouraged.
- o The requirement for Track & Trace is unclear we'll keep you posted
- o Communion will continue to be given in one kind (Bread) please be directed by the sidespeople.
- o Ventilation in our churches is good and doors and windows will remain open.
- The Eucharist will continue to 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.

The PCC is aware that members of the congregation may feel uneasy about the lifting of restrictions. We hope we are continuing to keep you safe, in line with the guidance, and that you will continue to worship with us in person.

**SUMMER FETE:** Thank you to all who helped/attended/donated/spent at our Fete yesterday. A fabulous day was had by all and much needed funds raised for the Parish. Well done one and all.

<u>PARISH MAGAZINE DELIVERY:</u> With the upcoming emigration of 1 of my magazine deliverers, I urgently need a volunteer to deliver just 2 magazines each month to Box Lane (bottom end) and Haywards Drive (close by). These can be added to an existing round or taken over by a new volunteer. Please contact Alan Munford (01442 242543) if you are able to help. Many thanks.

<u>DEANERY PILGRIMAGE TO ST ALBANS:</u> Sunday 8 August — Meet at Holy Trinity Leverstock Green from 2.00pm for a 2.30pm departure to walk to St Albans for a tour of the Abbey at 4.30pm, prayers at the Shrine at 5.30pm followed by Evensong at 6.00pm then walk back via a local hostelry. Non-walkers can meet at the west end of the Abbey at 4.30pm and people are welcome to arrange lifts if they do not want to walk back. See the posters at each Church for more details.

<u>TINY TOTS:</u> Last Tiny Tots of the term this Tuesday, 20 July, 9.30-11.00am. It will resume on Tuesday 7 September when schools return. To keep connected we have the Tots Summer Picnic on Tuesday 10 August, 10.30am-12.30pm. All members of the family welcome. Thank you to all our fabulous helpers who enable Tots to happen.

**FLOWERS IN MEMORY:** The altar flowers this week are sponsored by Jane Prew-Bridgewood "In loving memory of my parents Reg and Clare Prew"

<u>VIRTUAL COFFEE MORNING:</u> Thank you to all who joined our virtual social gatherings during the various lockdowns. From this Wednesday refreshments will be offered after the service in person at Church, and not virtually. Sadly we are not able to offer them on a Sunday -yet

**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 <a href="mailto:pcctreasurer@stjohnsboxmoor.org.uk">pcctreasurer@stjohnsboxmoor.org.uk</a> Thank you to those who have already recommitted to giving in a regular and sustainable manner.

<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

**PARISH OFFICE:** The office hours are Tuesdays and Thursdays 10.30am-1.30pm.

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