

# NEWSLETTER

## SUNDAY 7 NOVEMBER:

### THIRD SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT

	<b>8.00am</b>	<b>BCP Holy Communion</b>	St John's
	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>All-Age Eucharist with Holy Baptism</b> <i>sung by the Junior Choir</i>	St John's
	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>Mass</b>	St Francis'
	<b>11.30am</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b>	St Stephen's
	<b>12noon</b>	<b>Holy Baptism</b>	St John's Hall
	<b>4.00pm</b>	<b>Annual Memorial Service for the departed</b> <i>No Evening Service</i>	St John's
Daily	9.00-5.00	Church open for Private Prayer	
	9.00am	Morning Prayer	St John's
Monday	<b>11.30am</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b>	Mountbatten Lodge
Tuesday	9.30am	Tiny Tots: <i>Stay &amp; Play followed by Service</i>	St John's Hall
	11.30am	Hall Committee	St John's Hall
	8.00pm	Open meeting of the PCC	St John's
Wednesday	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>BCP Holy Communion followed by coffee</b>	St John's
	11.45am	Funeral – Gillian Smith	St John's
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer	St Francis'
Friday	5.30pm	Junior Choir	St John's Hall
	7.00pm	Choir Practice	St John's

## SUNDAY 14 NOVEMBER:

### REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

	<b>8.00am</b>	<b>BCP Holy Communion</b>	St John's
	<b>*9.30am*</b>	<b>Parish Eucharist</b>	St John's
	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>Mass</b>	St Francis'
	<b>11.30am</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b>	St Stephen's
	<b>11.30am</b>	<b>Royal British Legion Service of Remembrance</b> <i>No Evening Service</i>	St John's

## 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 who are ill:** Lynsey Abbott, Becky, Catherine, Derek Cordery, Jean Dawkins, Karen Gager, 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, Pam French, 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, Vera Trustram, Christine Wilson, John 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:**

Jean Ashburner, Celia Brown, Nicholas Erith, Joyce Baker, Barbara Adams.	
Gillian Smith	funeral: 10 November, 11.45am, St John's Church
Duncan McEwan	funeral: 1 December, 12noon, St John's Church

### **those whose Years mind is this week: 7-13 November:**

Robert Anderson (9.11.19), Harry Hardwick (10.11.17), Glennis Jones (12.11.19),

**Churches Together in Hemel Hempstead:** Our Lady, Queen of All Creation – Bennetts End area (RC)

## PARISH NOTICES

### **COVID NOTICES: Current measures in this Parish**

The following measures are in operation in order to help maintain confidence in coming to Church to worship:

- 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 still encouraged particularly when walking around. Your ministers will still wear a face covering when distributing Communion.
  - Congregational Singing is once again permitted indoors.
  - Use of hand sanitiser stations is still encouraged.
  - Track & Trace to remain in place – we recommend signing-in rather than using the App.
  - Communion will continue to be given in one kind (Bread) – please be directed by the sidespeople.

If you are contacted by us (or any other organisation) following a live case at one of our services you do not need to isolate for 10 days unless you yourself have been infected. Instead you are required to take regular lateral flow tests to check if you have the virus. Test can be ordered from: <https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests>

**OPEN PCC MEETING: Tuesday 9 November**, 8.00pm, St John's Church. Everyone is invited to this Meeting of the PCC to discuss the reintroduction of the St John's Choir Stalls and potential alterations to make them fit for purpose. Details of the proposal are on the notice board at the back of St John's.

**REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY:** The Council and The Royal British Legion are planning to return to something like 'normal' this year. Services at St John's on Remembrance Sunday will be:

8.00am	Holy Communion
<b>9.30am</b>	Parish Eucharist with Act of Remembrance
10.50am	Civic Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial
11.30am	Royal British Legion Service of Remembrance

**COUNT DOWN TO CHRISTMAS FAYRE: Saturday 20 November**, 10.00am-2.00pm.

The Fayre is fast approaching and Help with stalls and produce is much needed. Please speak to Cathy Shaw, Alan Munford, or Jean Garner if you are able to help. This is a big fundraising opportunity for the Parish and we hope it will be well supported. All necessary measures are being taken to be as Covid Secure as possible. Please do share the word.

**NOVEMBER MAGAZINE:** Is now available at the back of St John's.

### **CONGRATULATIONS:**

- To Mary McClusky and her partner, James, on the safe arrival of their son, William Patrick Robertson Birnie. William was born on 28 October – all are doing well.
- To Chris and Teresa Hughes on the safe arrival of their son, Harry William. Grandparents Paul and Liz Hughes are delighted – Paul was Vicar here 1993-2003.

**DUNCAN McEWAN RIP:** Many will remember Duncan who was a longstanding member of St John's before moving 'up North' to be nearer family. It was announced that he died on 29 October. His funeral will be held at St John's on Wednesday 1 December. We extend our warmest condolences to Duncan's family and friends. Rest in peace, Duncan.

**JUNIOR CHURCH:** All children aged 3-11yrs are welcome to explore Jesus and his disciples during this special time within the Parish Eucharist. Could you help by being a chaperone for these sessions?

**3RD BOXMOOR SCOUT GROUP** are looking for an Assistant Leader and a Quartermaster to join the team. No experience necessary as training will be provided. For more information contact [chair@3rdboxmoor.org.uk](mailto:chair@3rdboxmoor.org.uk)

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The regular office hours are Tuesdays and Thursdays 10.30am-1.30pm.

The office will be closed on Tuesday this week.

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