

NEWSLETTER

SUNDAY 12 JUNE:

THE HOLY AND UNDIVIDED TRINITY

	8.00am	BCP Holy Communion	St John's
	10.00am	Parish Eucharist	St John's
	10.00am	Mass	St Francis'
	11.30am	Holy Communion	St Stephen's
Monday	10.00am	South Hill School Year 4 visit	St John's
Tuesday	9.30am	Tiny Tots: Stay & Play & Service	St John's Hall
	7.30pm	Archdeacon's Visitation Service <i>Admission and licencing of new Churchwardens</i>	St John's
Wednesday	10.00am	BCP Holy Communion followed by coffee	St John's
	3.30pm	Friendship Tea	St John's Hall
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer	St Francis'
	8.00pm	Baptism Preparation	St John's
Thursday		CORPUS CHRISTI – Day of Thanksgiving for Holy Communion	
	All day	MASJ Unisong 2	St John's
	8.00pm	High Mass and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament <i>With recommissioning of Eucharistic Ministers joined by the Rector and people of St Mary's, Old Town Preacher: Canon John Williams, Rector</i>	St Francis'
Friday	12.30pm	MASJ Lunchtime Concert: Sofia Piccoli <i>flute</i> with Rita Fryer <i>piano</i>	St John's
	7.00pm	Choir Rehearsal	St John's

SUNDAY 19 JUNE:

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

	8.00am	BCP Holy Communion	St John's
	10.00am	Parish Eucharist	St John's
	10.00am	Mass	St Francis'
	11.30am	Morning Worship	St Stephen's
	12noon	Holy Baptism	St John's
	2.00pm	Cricket Match	Boxmoor Oval

OUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR:

all who are infected or affected by the Coronavirus pandemic

the peoples of Ukraine – those defending their land; those made refugees; those in positions of leadership

those who are ill: Andrew, Lynsey Abbott, Becky, Catherine, Jean Dawkins, Michele Finch, Beryl King, Ethan, Lizzie, Paul McCormick, Elizabeth McDonald, Pamela, Stanley Rose;

those with ongoing needs: Richard Berry, John Bery, Trevor Boyce, Val Darvill, Margaret Delph, Gill Dow, Pam French, Derek Frost, Josie Gower, Andrew Gunning, Margaret Gunning, Steve Hanwell, Jean Harries, Pam Hart, Anne Hosier, Elizabeth Jones, Chloë Lear, Sheila Lewis, Brian Laidlaw, Samuel & James Lockyer, Rev'd Rex Merry, Ruth Merry, Phil Peckham, Steve Randall, Godfrey Rock, Marion Roff, Beryl Taylor, Jayne Taylor, Jim Taylor, Christine Wilson, John Wilson, Mike Winch, Maureen West;

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

Churches Together in Hemel Hempstead:

Hemel Hempstead Methodist Church, Northridge Way, Chaulden.

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

Geoffrey Donovan Funeral: 20 June, 12noon, St John's

Margaret Covill Funeral: 23 June, 11.00am, West Herts Crematorium

those whose Years mind is this week: 12-18 June:

Anthony Coughtrey (13.6.21), Sharon Porter (14.6.21), Glenda Ellis (15.6.19).

PARISH NOTICES

COVID UPDATE:

- From this Thursday we will be **re-introducing the chalice** within the parish. Receiving communion in both kinds is not compulsory (as our recent practice has shown). If you would like to receive the chalice the offer is there. If you would prefer not to receive from the common cup then simply receive the host and walk back to your places. It is an entirely personal decision. The way in which communion has recently been administered will need to be slightly altered to accommodate this return to normal practice, but this will be explained during the service. Your ministers will no-longer be required to wear face coverings to distribute the Sacrament.
- Mandatory Social Distancing has ceased, however, please be mindful when choosing somewhere to sit as some may still prefer to keep at a respectable distance and/or wear a face covering. If you would like some space no-one will be offended if you say so.
- The physical sharing of the Peace remains suspended.

LIVE STREAMING – THIS WEEK: The Parish Eucharist at 10.00am will be live streamed this week. This can be joined at: www.stjohnsboxmoor.org.uk/live-streamed-services - we apologise in advance if our internet connection fails! A recording will be uploaded as soon as possible if this happens. Thank you for your understanding.

MESSAGE FROM SUE BROWN: I would like to thank everybody for their good wishes, their cards and prayers for me when I had a stroke recently. I am very glad / pleased to be able to tell you that the prayers are being answered and I am making very good progress in my recovery. Thank you all once again.

THE BIG LUNCH – JUBILEE WEEKEND: Sincere thanks to all who enabled our Jubilee celebrations to be so full of joy and laughter. The big lunch was a huge success; the decorations and flowers were stunning as usual; the trees duly blessed. A fitting way to celebrate our Sovereign platinum jubilee. Thank you all.

SAFEGUARDING NOTICE: Should anyone be in need of advice or help concerning a safeguarding matter, please approach the Vicar or Marian Davies, Parish Safeguarding Officer.

CORPUS CHRISTI SERVICE & RECOMMISSIONING OF EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: this Thursday we celebrate **Corpus Christi** - *a day of thanksgiving for the institution of Holy Communion*. In a return to pre-pandemic customs all those who help with the distribution of communion are invited to be re-commissioned for this ministry ahead of resuming the practice of offering communion in both kinds. Communion will be offered in both kinds for the first time in over two years at this service. Canon John Williams, Rector of St Mary's, Old Town, will be our guest preacher. Refreshments will be served after this service. Please show your support for those who will undertake this special ministry once again in the parish.

CRICKET MATCH: A rematch against the Boxmoor Occasionals has been arranged for Sunday 19 June. Please let the Vicar know if you would like to play. The match this year will be on the Boxmoor Oval. Hopefully the weather will be kind and we can enjoy a 'good' match with lots of Pimms on the boundary. Play will begin at 2.00pm.

POSSIBLE CHANGES TO THE PARISH: Monday 20 June, 7.30pm, St John's Hall: Archdeacon Jane will be coming to the Parish to discuss possible changes to the parish including combining with St Albans, Warners End. Please come along to find out what might happen and to have your say.

CARTER'S STEAM FAIR: will be on the Moor 10-21 June – this will be their last ever visit.

MASJ LUNCHTIME CONCERTS: The Spring series of Friday lunchtime Concerts is back. Please see publicity in Church and on the MASJ webpage: <https://www.masj.org.uk/>

TOGETHER ON MONDAY CLUB: meeting on 20 June will be Graham Gibbs talking about the history of St John's. Will everyone go straight into church please. All welcome. Di Tovey 263669.

BOXMOOR PARISH WEBSITE: If you have posters for an event which you would like to appear on the church website, or if you have taken photos of a church event and would like them to appear on the website, please email them to webteam@stjohnsboxmoor.org.uk so that the website team can access them easily. We are an active parish and it would be nice to show that.

MUSIC PERCENTAGE CLUB: Congratulations to the winners of the May Music Percentage Club draw: 1st, Jennie Whitefield, £15; 2nd, Marion Roff, £8; 3rd, Nicholas King, £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.

LIVE STREAMING – VISIBILITY IN SERVICES: There are various issues concerning Safeguarding and GDPR which mean we need your permission for you to appear on screen – especially if you are a minor. A plan of where you can sit without being seen on camera is being drawn up; permission is being sought from families for children to be on camera; camera angles are being planned and programmed for various parts of the service to limit exposure. Thank you for your cooperation.

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The usual office hours are Tuesdays & Thursdays 10.30am-1.30pm.