

# NEWSLETTER

## SUNDAY 26 JUNE:

Monday  
Tuesday  
Wednesday

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Friday

Saturday

## SECOND 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
11am	Burial of Ashes – Patricia Gregory	St John's
9.30am	Tiny Tots: Stay & Play & Service	St John's Hall
	<b>St Peter, Apostle</b>	
10.00am	BCP Holy Communion <i>followed by coffee</i>	St John's
5.00pm	Evening Prayer	St Francis'
8.30am-4pm	Dacorum Music School Music Making Day	St John's
12.30pm	MASJ Lunchtime Concert: Anna Le Hair <i>piano</i>	St John's
5.30pm	Junior Choir Practice	St John's
7.00pm	Choir Rehearsal	St John's
1.30-8.30pm	St Albans Suzuki Music Group rehearsal and concert	St John's

## SUNDAY 26 JUNE:

## ST THOMAS, APOSTLE, THIRD SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8.00am	BCP Holy Communion	St John's
10.00am	All-Age Eucharist	St John's
10.00am	Mass	St Francis'
11.30am	Morning Worship	St Stephen's
12noon	Holy Baptism	St John's

## 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 to be Ordained deacon or priest within the Church of God this Pentecost, and for their families**

**those being Baptised this week:** Amara Jayne Clarke and Florence Cerys Gemmell;

**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 Vineyard Church;

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

Violet Cooper Funeral: 28 June, 3.40pm, West Herts Crematorium

Geoffrey Donovan, Margaret Covill;

## **those whose Years mind is this week: 26 June – 2 July:**

Yzabel Field (29.6.19), Philip Pennington (29.6.18),

## PARISH NOTICES

### COVID UPDATE:

- We have now **re-introduced 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](http://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.

**PARISH SUMMER FAIR:** Saturday 9 July, 11.00am-3.00pm outside St John's. Plans are fully in place for a lovely fair which we hope will be a great fundraising opportunity. Please do sign-up to help. A list of items needed is available at the back of St John's. Please spread the word too.

**CRICKET MATCH:** Thank you to all who turned-out to watch and play in last Sunday's Cricket Match. Like last year it was a very close game, played in a very generous and humorous spirit. We fielded first and restricted the *Occasionals* to 172. Our run chase went well – being ahead of the required rate for most of the innings, but when the Vicar was bowled for a duck we lost our way, and ended up 20 odd runs behind. A noble draw (if you can have such a thing!) The atmosphere was excellent – helped by the fun fayre and pimms. Thank you to you all.

**ST FRANCIS CREAM TEAS:** Sadly, this event is postponed until later in the year – watch out for a new date.

**HOMES FOR UKRAINIAN REFUGEES:** The Parish has registered for the government "Homes for Ukraine Scheme" planning to offer 23 Beechfield Road as accommodation to a Ukrainian family for a period of 6 to 12 months. Once we are approved we will need to ensure that 23 Beechfield is ready for occupation. This will involve clearing the front and back garden, cleaning the property, potential furniture, bedding, curtains, kitchenware and a whole host of other practical items plus ensuring that the family is welcomed in our Parish. If you would like to offer your support and be part of the "Homes for Ukraine Parish Scheme" then please pass your details to the Parish office [office@stjohnsboxmoor.org.uk](mailto:office@stjohnsboxmoor.org.uk) with your name, telephone number, and email address.

**QUEEN OF HEAVEN AND QUEEN OF ENGLAND:** Sunday 17 July, 6.30pm: Our evening service will feature John Rutter's *Magnificat* and Handel's *Zadok the Priest* in this bespoke act of work. Soloist: Katherine Boyce, with the St John's Ensemble and the Parish Choir. A service not to be missed.

**POSSIBLE CHANGES TO THE PARISH:** Thank you to those who came to the open meeting on Monday to talk about the possible joining with Warners End and Gadebridge parish. A healthy and helpful conversation was held. It is likely further conversations will be needed in the not too distant future.

**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.

**MASJ LUNCHTIME CONCERTS:** The Spring series of Friday lunchtime Concerts draw to a close this week. Please see publicity in Church and on the MASJ webpage: <https://www.masj.org.uk/> Thank you to all who have attended and supported these concerts, to those who have enabled them, and especially to those who have performed in them. There will be more lunchtime concerts later this year.

**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](mailto: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.

**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.