

NEWSLETTER

SUNDAY 17 JULY:

FIFTH 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
	6.30pm	Special Evening Service: Queen of Heaven & Queen of England	St John's
Tuesday	9.30am	Tiny Tots: Stay & Play & Service	St John's Hall
	8.00pm	Church Meeting – Communications Committee	St John's Hall
Wednesday	10.00am	BCP Holy Communion followed by coffee	St John's
	3.30pm	Friendship Teas	St John's Hall
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer	St Francis'
Thursday	10.00am	Funeral: Ellen "Nell" Whitmarsh	St John's
Friday	7.00pm	Choir Rehearsal	St John's

SUNDAY 24 JULY:

SIXTH 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

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: Lynsey Abbott, Andrew, Anne, Chris Angell, Becky, Matt Blake, Brenda, Catherine, Jean Dawkins, Ethan, Michele Finch, Beryl King, 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;

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

Churches Together in Hemel Hempstead:

Holy Trinity Church, Leverstock Green.

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

Ellen "Nell" Whitmarsh Funeral: 21 July, 10.00am, St John's church

Brenda Gower Funeral: 25 July, 10.30am, St John's Church

Maureen Knight

those whose Years mind is this week: 17-23 July:

Linda Ablett (17.07.2019), Bill Johnson (17.07.2019), Dennis Mitchell (21.07.2020), Alison Honeycombe (22.07.2019), Eileen Wright (23.07.2019).

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

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.
- Intincting/dipping your wafer into the wine is not permitted.
- 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.

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

TOGETHER ON MONDAY CLUB: Our meeting on 18 July will be a Beetle Drive. Members will also be asked to sign up for our Summer Lunch at Redbourn Golf Club on 8 August. Di Tovey 263669.

ST JOHN'S LUNCH CLUB: Advance notice that the Parish Fun Day has changed into a St John's Lunch Club gathering, Sunday 24 July, 12.30pm. If you would like to come to the lunch please sign-up at the back of St John's.

ALTAR FLOWERS: The altar flowers this week are given by Jane Prew-Bridgewood in loving memory of her parents, Reg and Clare Prew.

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 with your name, telephone number, and email address. Thank you to those who have already volunteered time/possessions – we will be in touch with you very soon.

PARISH SUMMER FAIR: THANK YOU to all who worked so hard to make our Summer Fair the success it became. Monies are still coming in but it looks like we raised £2,300 – a fantastic effort. The sun shone and everyone had fun. If you were not able to attend, we will still happily accept any contribution towards the fayre. Thank you again.

MASJ MUSIC PERCENTAGE CLUB – JUNE DRAW: Congratulations to the winners of the June Music Percentage Club draw: 1st, Sheila James, £15; 2nd, Richard Lyne, £8; 3rd, Gill Williams, £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.

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.

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.

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.