



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

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NEWSLETTER

SUNDAY 16 JULY SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Nb: Parking at St John's may be more difficult due to local event

	8.00am	BCP Holy Communion	St John's
	10.00am	Parish Eucharist	St John's
	10.00am	Sung Mass	St Francis'
	11.30am	Morning Worship	St Stephen's
	12.00pm	Holy Baptism	St John's
	6.30pm	Choral Evensong – Guest Preacher: The Reverend Canon James Revel	ey St John's
Monday	2.15pm	Poetry Group 53 E	eechfield Road
	7.45pm	Together on Monday – Social Evening	St John's Hall
	8.00pm	Church Meeting: Finance Committee	Zoom
Tuesday	9.30am	Tiny Tots – Stay & Play and Service – Last of Term	St John's Hall
	8.00pm	Church Meeting: Communications Committee	Zoom
Wednesday	10.00am	Holy Communion followed by coffee	St John's
	3.00pm	Friendship Teas	St John's Hall
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer	St Francis'
	8.00pm	MASJ Board Meeting	Parish Office
Saturday	10.00am	Burial of Ashes – Doreen Janes	St John's

SUNDAY 23 JULY SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY - St Mary Magdalene, Apostle to the Apostles

8.00am	BCP Holy Communion	St John's
10.00am	Parish Eucharist	St John's
10.00am	Sung Mass	St Francis'
11.30am	Morning Worship	St Stephen's
12.30pm	Church BBQ and Auction of Promises & Things	St John's

OUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR:

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

those to be baptised today: Florence Ranner, Kelsey Restall;

those who are ill: Lynsey Abbott, Delia Aylott, Andrew, Sally-Anne Bates, Becky, Brenda, Catherine, Eve Davis, Jean Dawkins, Michele Finch, Dorothy Freeman, Annetta Gray, Dave Harvey, Christine Hutton—Jarvis, Angie Jackson, Janice, Kevin, Hilary Kemp, Paul Kessell-Holland, Alan Kirtley, Anne Lyne, Paul McCormick, Elizabeth McDonald, Sue McMorran, Pamela, Derek Rhoden, Jane Rombout, Stanley Rose;

those with ongoing needs: Anthony, John Bery, Richard Berry, Peter Clayton, Val Darvill, Peter Davis, Gill Dow, Pam French, Derek Frost, Josie Gower, Andrew Gunning, Margaret Gunning, Sharon & family, Jean Harries, Pam Hart, Anne Hosier, Elizabeth Jones, Sheila Lewis, Samuel & James Lockyer, Rev'd Rex Merry, Ruth Merry, Gladys Mimer, Steve Randall, 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 <u>only</u>, please contact the Vicar.

Churches Together in Hemel Hempstead:

DENS – Dacorum Emergency Night Shelter – Services for homeless people.

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

Tony Dunn Funeral: Monday 24 July, 11.30am, St John's

June Baxter Funeral: Tuesday 25 July, 11.30am, St John's

Pauline Burke Funeral: Tuesday 25 July, 3.20pm, West Herts Crem

Maura Harvey

those whose Years mind is this week: 16-22 July:

Andrew Gillespie (16.07.18), Linda Ablett (17.07.19), Bill Johnson (17.07.19), Beryl de Gruchy King (17.07.22), Margaret Delph (19.07.22), Dennis Mitchell (21.07.20), Allison Honeycombe (22.07.19);

PARISH NOTICES

<u>LIVE STREAMING – THIS WEEK:</u> The Parish Eucharist at 10.00am will be live streamed this week. This can be joined at: <u>www.stjohnsboxmoor.org.uk/live-streamed-services</u> - 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.

PARKING TODAY: Parking at St John's might be more difficult than usual as there is a big event taking place at the Sports Centre. Please allow extra time to park/walk to church.

<u>TODAY- CHORAL EVENSONG:</u> Sunday 16 July, 6.30pm, We welcome The Reverend Canon James Reveley, Canon of Ely and former Vicar of this Parish as our guest preacher. Music to include Bruckner's *Locus iste*, Balfour Gardiner's *Evening Hymn*, and Rutter's *The Lord bless you and keep you*. Refreshments will be served after the service.

ALTAR FLOWERS: The Altar flowers this week are donated by Nicholas King in year's mind of Beryl King.

NEXT SUNDAY: Sunday 23 July: Parish BBQ and Auction of Promises and Gifts – Services will be held in all our churches as normal. A BBQ will begin at 12.30pm outside St John's followed by an Auction at 2.00pm. Please put this date in your diary and sign-up. The Sign up sheet of for those who would like to attend (in order to help with catering numbers) is now at the back of St John's. Please sign up as soon as possible. There is also a separate list asking for help with providing salads and/or puddings. There will be a bouncy castle for children. Some lovely items are up for auction to help raise funds for the Parish.

<u>TOGETHER ON MONDAY:</u> This Monday is our last meeting before the summer break. Jean Garner will be our speaker followed by coffee and refreshments. Di Tovey 263669

<u>TINY TOTS:</u> This Tuesday will be the last session of Tots for the academic year. Tots will resume on Tuesday 5 September, 9.30-11.00am. During the Summer we will be holding a Tiny Tots BYO Picnic on Tuesday 15 August, 11.30am–1.15pm. This is open to all families children and will be held (weather permitting) in the churchyard near the Hall. A huge thank you to all our helpers and volunteers who have worked so hard to enable Tiny Tots to flourish and grow during the year.

FRIENDSHIP TEAS: This Wednesday, 3.00-4.30pm, St John's Hall: Come along for afternoon tea and a natter. Perfect way to spend an afternoon in good company. All welcome.

<u>UPDATE ON HILARY KEMP:</u> Hilary returned to work this week on reduced hours. Progress is good so she should be back to normal hours by the end of the month. Thank you for all your prayers for her.

REMINDER: During August there will be no Sunday 8.00am Services of Holy Communion. All other Sunday services will continue as usual. Morning Prayer will also be said privately by the Vicar – either whilst on leave or when in the parish.

MASJ PERCENTAGE CLUB DRAW: Congratulations to the winners of the June Music Percentage Club draw: 1st: Richard Lyne, £15; 2nd: Sheila James, £8; 3rd: Peter Garner, £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.'

<u>COFFEE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!</u> Join our friendly team of volunteers to help serving coffee after the 10am Sunday services. Please can you add your name and surname on the list available on the notice at the back of church or contact Yolanda Porter via email <u>yolandaporter.yp@googlemail.com</u>, thank you.

HARDSHIP FUND: The church has a hardship fund. Should anyone be struggling with fuel bills the parish may be able to help. Please speak to the vicar.

Eco Notice Board:

- No plastic July please take a look at the things we can do to help reduce our use of single use plastic.
- We welcome St Francis church joining St John's church in using Miniml handwash helping to limit the use of buying single use plastic bottles for handwash and thus helping towards our goal of becoming eco churches together.

Thank you - The Eco Team.

COVID GUIDANCE:

- 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.

Parish Office: 01442 260299 office@stjohnsboxmoor.org.uk https://www.stjohnsboxmoor.org.uk
The temporary office hours are Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays 3.00pm–5.30pm.
The Vicar will continue to pick-up emails/voicemails outside of these times.