

# NEWSLETTER

## SUNDAY 11 AUGUST

### ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

*NO 8.00am Holy Communion during August*

**10.00am Parish Eucharist** St John's

*NO Service at St Francis' this week*

**11.30am Morning Worship** St Stephen's

12noon Burial of Ashes: Graham Brannon St John's

Tuesday 12.30pm Tiny Tots Picnic St John's

8.00pm Church Meeting: PCC Standing Committee Zoom

Wednesday

**Feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary (tr)**

**10.00am Holy Communion followed by Coffee** St John's

5.00pm Evening Prayer St Francis'

Thursday

11.00am Mountbatten Lodge Communion Mountbatten Lodge

2.00pm The Lodge Communion The Lodge

## SUNDAY 18 AUGUST

### TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

*NO 8.00am Holy Communion during August*

**10.00am Parish Eucharist** St John's

**10.00am Matins** St Francis'

**11.30am Morning Worship** St Stephen's

### **OUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR:**

**for peace between Israeli and Palestinian, and for the peoples of Ukraine;**

**those who are ill:** Lynsey Abbott, Andrew, Becky, Odette Bery, Stewart Blake, Matthew Bloor, Brenda, Rev David Brooke, Arthur Brown, John Birnie, Carl & Justine, Hugh Cumberland, Sandy Cutts, Jean Dawkins, Emily Gager, Annetta Gray, Dave Harvey, Angie Jackson, Janice, Kevin, Alan Kirtley, Alex Labern, Paul McCormick, Elizabeth McDonald, Mary, Ann & Paul Meeder, Pamela, John Poole, Stanley Rose, Cathy & Trevor Stone, Penny Williams;

**those with ongoing needs:** Richard Berry, John Bery, Peter Clayton, Melissa Clayton, Marion Cowe, Val Darvill, Gill Dow, Eve Davis, Ken Farmborough, Michele Finch, Pam French, Josie Gower, Graham, Andrew Gunning, Margaret Gunning, Pam Hart, Anne Hosier, Elizabeth Jones, Paul Kessell-Holland, Sheila Lewis, Anne Lyne, Ruth Merry, Gladys Mimer, Sharon & family, Steve Randall, Marion Roff, Jane Rombout, Beryl Taylor, Jayne Taylor, Jim Taylor, Gill Williams, Christine Wilson, John Wilson, Mike Winch;

**Churches Together in Hemel Hempstead:**

Liberty Christian Centre – Grovehill (Assemblies of God)

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

Keith Hope funeral: Monday 19 August, 11.30am St John's

Rex Merry – Priest, Ian Keatley, Sheila Watts, Joan Jones

**those whose Years mind is this week: 11–18 Aug**

Rose Elizabeth Ellen (12.08.19), Linda Gair (12.08.20), Gilbert Burnham (15.08.20)

## **PARISH NOTICES**

**LIVE STREAMING – THIS WEEK:** Due to ongoing technical issue our Parish Eucharist will go out after the live service as a recording. We hope this will be later that afternoon but it may take up to 24 hours. Thank you for your understanding.

**SERVICES DURING AUGUST:** Please note that there will not be an 8.00am BCP Holy Communion during August. The Parish Eucharist will be sung at 10.00am as usual at St John's on Sundays as will the midweek Eucharist on Wednesdays. There will be NO Service at St Francis on Sundays 4 & 11 August.

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** The Altar flowers this week are given by Graham Gibbs to mark the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of his Baptism on 13 August 1944 and in thanksgiving for the love and many blessings he has received over these years.

**TINY TOTS PICNIC – THIS WEEK:** During our summer break, come and join us for our Picnic on Tuesday 13 August in the church grounds (or in the hall if wet) from **12.30-2pm** - everyone welcome! Bring your own picnic and something to sit on - drinks will be provided. Our new term begins on Tuesday 10 September from 9.30am in the hall - new members always very welcome!

**CONDOLENCES:** It is with great sadness that we learned of Fr Rex Merry's peaceful death this week. Fr Rex had been associated with St John's for over 50 years having served his curacy here in the early 70's and then assisting within the parish upon his retirement. A date for the funeral is yet to be determined. Our love and prayers to Ruth and Sarah, Rex's daughter's, and to all who mourn his passing. May the choirs of angels welcome Rex - priest, friend, brother into the Halls of Heaven.

**CONDOLENCES:** We send our love and prayers to the family of Sheila Watts – a long term member of St Stephen's Church family – who died last weekend. We will share news of her funeral as soon as we know more details.

**MUSIC PERCENTAGE CLUB:** Congratulations to the winners of the July Music Percentage Club draw: 1<sup>st</sup>: Gill Williams, £15; 2<sup>nd</sup>: Sally Bates, £8; 3<sup>rd</sup>: Marion Roff, £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.'

**VICAR'S HOLIDAYS:** During August the Vicar will be taking some time off with his family. If you need a priest urgently during this time please contact Marian Davies (on the number below) and she'll facilitate the best course of action. The Vicar will be away from his desk 16–31 August.

**FRIENDSHIP TEAS:** A reminder that Friendship Teas continue NEXT Wednesday 3.00–4.30pm in St John's Hall. Bring a friend; have a natter; enjoy afternoon tea. All are welcome.

**TOGETHER ON MONDAY CLUB:** Will return after the summer holidays on Monday 9 September, 7.45pm.

**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.

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

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