

## Notices and Future Events

- Isle of Wight Parish Holiday deposit money now due. £50 per adult and £25 per child ASAP. Please post monies through Rectory letterbox if Jeremy is not around. Details of the Hotel and provisional itinerary are available from Jeremy.
- Lent Courses. Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March South Beds Council of Churches, United Service at 7.30pm at Bunyan Church Elstow. Thurs 17<sup>th</sup> St Mary's Wootton, 8pm. For more details see the magazine.
- Easter Cards are now on sale at the back of church.
- During Holy Week, Home Communion can be arranged for you or if you know of someone who would like it. Please let Rev Jeremy Crocker know so that he can arrange this.
- 31<sup>st</sup> March at 7.30pm Elstow APCM, then 7.40pm Elstow PCC AGM.
- It has been decided to replace the Boiler system and work will start soon.
- Visiting lists are again at the back of Church if you would like Jeremy to visit you, please add your details to the sheet.
- There is a sign up sheet for the Easter Monday Pilgrimage to St Albans. (Including attending the Cathedral Service) If there are enough wanting to go over the 3 churches we can share a 35 seater Coach. Depart 9am Elstow Abbey and return around 5/ 6pm, cost for the coach approx. £5 pp. (Proposed schedule: Depart 9am, arrive Hatfield to depart on walk at 10.30am arriving at St Albans for Noon to meet up. Those not wishing to walk can take the coach all the way through to St Albans.)
- There is a study course A Journey into Faith which starts 20<sup>th</sup> April . Please see information leaflets at the back of church.
- Offers of sandwiches and cakes for the Friends meeting in May are needed. Please speak to Rosemary if you are able to help.
- The Revd Stephen Smith's Licensing will be 13th April at 7.30pm with the Bishop of Bedford at St Mary's Cardington. All are welcome.
- 4<sup>th</sup> July, 7.30pm at Elstow Abbey, The Right Rev'd Christopher Herbert, The Bishop of St Albans, will present a Lecture on 'Images of the Resurrection' part of a study programme starting 20<sup>th</sup> April. Course details available at the back of Church

Jeremy Crocker's Day Off: Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March

Notices for inclusion in the weekly bulletin to the Rectory FAO Diana Hill by 12 noon Tuesdays. Wedding Bookings and enquiries to Diana Hill either Tuesday or Thursday mornings. (01234 261477)



## **THE ABBEY CHURCH OF ST MARY AND ST HELENA, ELSTOW** *Part of the Elstow Team*

We extend a warm welcome to everyone today

**13<sup>th</sup> March 2005**  
**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent**

- 11.00 am: Parish Communion including Baptism of Ashlene Robinson (Jeremy Crocker with Guest Preacher Rev Brenda Tipping)
- Hymns: NEH: 473, 275, 377, Anthem: An upper room did our Lord prepare, 276, 296
- 3.00pm Baptism of Leah Stokes (Jeremy Crocker)
- 6.30 pm: Evensong
- Hymns: NEH: 67, 374, 416, 205, 250

### **COLLECT**

Most merciful God,  
who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved the world:  
grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross we may triumph in the power of his victory;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Diary for the Week**

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| Sunday<br>13 <sup>th</sup>    | 11.00am   | Parish Communion with Baptism<br>of Ashlene Robinson (Jeremy Crocker) |
|                               | 12.00noon | Wedding Interview   |
|                               | 3.00pm    | Baptism of Leah Stokes and Kenneth<br>Collins at Elstow               |
| Monday<br>14 <sup>th</sup>    | 6.30pm    | Evensong (Jeremy Crocker)   |
|                               | 8.30am    | Morning Prayer at Cardington  |
|                               | 11.30am   | Meeting re New Church Hall  |
|                               | 5.30pm    | Abbey Middle School Governors<br>Meeting                              |
|                               | 7.00pm    | Choir Dinner at Red Lion  |
|                               | 7.00pm    | Prayer Group in the Summerhouse                                       |
|                               | 8.00pm    | Bible Study at Shortstown   |
| Tuesday<br>15 <sup>th</sup>   | 8.30am    | Morning Prayer at Cardington  |
| Wednesday<br>16 <sup>th</sup> | 8.00pm    | Rutland Road Church Prayer Meeting                                    |
|                               | 8.30am    | Morning Prayer at Cardington  |
| Thursday<br>17 <sup>th</sup>  | 9.30am    | Clergy Chapter at Sue Ryder Hospice,<br>Moggerhanger                  |
|                               | 6.15pm    | Jeremy at Bishops Council   |
|                               | 6.30pm    | Choir Practice  |
|                               | 8.30am    | Morning Prayer at Cardington  |
|                               | 11.00am   | Holy Communion at Elstow Abbey<br>(Jeremy Crocker)                    |
|                               | 11.45am   | Pastoral Visit  |
| Friday<br>18 <sup>th</sup>    | 7.00pm    | Wardens Meeting at Swan Pub   |
|                               | 8.00pm    | St Mary's Wootton   |
|                               | 8.30am    | Morning Prayer at Cardington  |
|                               | 7.30pm    | Bunyan Church United Service to end<br>the Lent Course                |
|                               | 8.00pm    | Bellringing   |
| Saturday<br>19 <sup>th</sup>  | 9.30am    | Church Yard working party and<br>Ploughman's Lunch at Elstow          |
|                               | 12.00noon | Baptism of Harry Cargill at Cardington                                |
|                               | 2.30pm    | Baptisms at Elstow Abbey  |

**Next Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> March****Palm Sunday**

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| 9.30am  | Family Communion and Distribution of Palm<br>Crosses.<br>The first part of the service is on the Green,<br>weather permitting. |
| 11.00am | Matins (Philip McDonough)  |
| 11.30am | Cardington AGM (Jeremy to Chair Meeting)   |
| 6.30pm  | Evensong, Songs of Praise<br>Hymns chosen by the Congregation  |

**Monthly Guest Preachers at Elstow**

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| 27 <sup>th</sup> March<br>10.30am | The Right Rev'd Richard Inwood<br>(The Bishop of Bedford)      |
| 8 <sup>th</sup> May               | Rev'd Edward Lewis<br>(Chief Executive of Hospital Chaplains)  |
| 22 <sup>nd</sup> May<br>5.15pm    | Rev'd Wyn Beynon<br>(Rural Dean of Biggleswade)                |
| 12 <sup>th</sup> June<br>6.30pm   | Rev Canon John Tibbs   |
| 17 <sup>th</sup> July<br>6.30pm   | The Right Rev'd Christopher Foster<br>(The Bishop of Hertford) |

**Please pray for:**

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| <i>The Sick:</i> | Ron Chappell, Betty Finch, Joyce Cross<br>Elizabeth Crighton, Glenys Godden |
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