

Notices and Future Events

- **Thursday Lunch** following the communion every 1st Thursday of the month at the Red lion Pub, from 12 noon. Next date 7th June. Fish and Chips, Chicken and Leek Pie, Beef Bourginon Jacket, Caramel Apple Betty, Mandarine and chocolate cheesecake or fruit salad with tea or coffee for £5.99. All welcome.
- **Alpha Course** Wednesday evenings at 7.30pm at 10 Shackleton Close. For details please contact 741501.
- **St Michaels Spring Fayre** has been postponed until June. More details to follow.
- **May Festival Prizes** there are some unclaimed prizes at the back of church – please check your raffle tickets.
- **Lost Property** from the May festival – a cuddly bear and a denim jacket. Please see Jeremy for return of the items.
- **RAFA Bedford** present an evening of light music with the Bozat Windmill Singers on Thursday 7th June 8pm. Tickets £7 each available from RAFA HQ 350107 or Peter Kemp 267948.
- Wedding Bookings/enquiries or Notices for weekly Bulletin to Diana Hill, Tuesday or Thursday mornings at the Rectory - 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

Sunday 20th May, Sunday after Ascension Day 7th Sunday of Easter

- 9.30am Family Communion (JRC)
Hymns: SoF: 9, 40, 32, 41, Anthem: Let all mortal flesh, 531
- 11.00am Morning Prayer (Matins Group)
Hymns: NEH: 130, 443, 483, 74, 332
- (3.15pm Friends of Elstow AGM, 3.50pm Annual Lecture by Canon Stephen Lake, 4.15pm Tea)
- 5.00pm Annual Service of Evensong for the Friends of Elstow Abbey
Hymns: NEH: 130, Anthem: A prayer of St Richard of Chichester, 352, 375, 486

NO 6.30pm Evensong Service at Elstow

COLLECT

O God the King of glory,
you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ
with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven:
we beseech you, leave us not comfortless,
but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us
and exalt us to the place where our Saviour Christ is gone before,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Diary for this week

Sunday	9.30am	Family Communion (JRC)
20 th	11.00am	Morning Prayer (Matins Group)
	3.15pm	Friend AGM
	3.45pm	Friends Annual Lecture
	4.15pm	Friends Afternoon Tea
	5.00pm	Friends Annual Service of Evensong

NOTE NO 6.30pm Evensong

Monday	8.30am	Morning Prayer at Cardington
21 st	10.00am	Toddlers and Tea in Church Hall
	7.00pm	Prayer Group in Summer House

Tuesday	8.30am	Morning Prayer at Cardington
22 nd	7.30pm	Cardington PCC

Wednesday	8.30am	Morning Prayer at Cardington
23 rd	11.30am	Coffee morning in Elstow Church Hall
	6.30pm	Youth Club
	7.30pm	John Bunyan Governors meeting
	7.30pm	Alpha Course

Thursday	8.30am	Morning Prayer at Cardington
24 th	11.00am	Holy Communion at Elstow (JRC)
	7.30pm	Elstow Team Council Meeting in Church hall

Friday	8.30am	Morning Prayer at Cardington
25 th	8.00pm	Bellringing

Saturday	2-4.00pm	Children's Workshop in the church hall
26 th		

Jeremy Crocker: Day off: Friday 25th May

Next Sunday 27th May, Day of Pentecost**Whit Sunday**

9.30am	Family Communion (JRC)
11.00am	Parish Communion including the Licensing of David Wells by the Archdeacon of Bedford, The Venerable Paul Hughes Followed by Bring and Share Lunch
3.00pm	Baptism of Benjamin Beal (JRC)
3.45pm	Baptism of Ebony-Mae Sells (JRC)
6.30pm	Evensong (Robert Heley)

Guest Preachers

20 th May	3.45pm & 5pm	Canon Stephen Lake
27 th May	11.00am	Parish Communion including the Licensing of David Wells by the Archdeacon of Bedford, The Venerable Paul Hughes
10 th June	11.00am	Rev Mary Railton-Crowther
24 th June	6.30pm	Rev Peter Littleford
28 th June	11.00am	Rev Stephen Smith
1 st July	6.30pm	Robert Heley

Please pray for:

The Sick:

Jean Bennett, Pamela Dance, Barbara Gale
Doris Simmonds, Rev Len Moore, Edith Stewart

The Recently Deceased:

Lois Clarke, Andrea Jones