

Notices and Future Events

- **Confirmation** if you are considering this please speak to Jeremy. Classes will start on 15th October 6.30pm young people, 8pm adults. Confirmation service will be on 10th Dec at Elstow Abbey at 7.30pm.
- **Becoming a Christian** We may decide to call our selves Christians but that is not the same as being one. Explore being a 'Christ-person', one who loves the Lord Jesus Christ and seeks to live his or her life according to the teachings of Jesus our Saviour. A Bible study group has started which meets each Wednesday 8-9.00pm in the Centenary Room at Cardington Church Hall.
- **Thursday Lunch** following the communion every 1st Thursday of the month at the Red lion Pub, from 12 noon. Next date 4th Oct. All welcome. Menu TBC. Main + dessert with tea or coffee for £5.99.
- **Servers and Intercessors needed** for the main services. Young people aged 10+ and adults If you are interested and would like to do this role for the church please speak to Colin Albon.
- **Annual Hog Roast** 16th September from 4pm in the Rectory Garden. All welcome. Sign up list, for numbers/salads needed, is at the back of church.
- **Harvest Festival** will be on Sunday 23rd September. Harvest Bring and Share Lunch will be from 12 noon on that day. Please use the sign up sheet at the back of church to help with organising and numbers. Sunday 30th September there will be no morning services at Elstow. 10.15am Joint service with St Michaels with a Bring 'n' Share for their Harvest Festival.
- **Bedfordshire Organists Association Annual Recital** is on Saturday 29th September at 3pm at the Woburn Parish Church (edge of Woburn Estate) given by Sarah Baldock, Assistant Organist Winchester Cathedral. Admission £5 payable at the door.
- **Songs of Praise** service will be held at St Paul's Church Sunday 14th October at 3pm led by Pam Rhodes. Those who have requested tickets please collect them from JRC.
- **Africa Weekend** 27-28th October at St Paul's Church to celebrate their links with Africa. Concert on Sat Evening featuring Zulu Nation. Anyone interested in providing material or items for a stand please contact James Collett-White on 01234 266839 for more information. (Email ann@simla.org.uk)
- **Benefice Quiet Afternoon** at Turvey Abbey 2-7pm on 10th November. Details to follow. £10 suggested donation per person.
- **Panto** 15th December 6.30pm followed by bring and share in the church hall. Auditions and first meeting TODAY, 9th Sept 4-6pm in church hall. Next rehearsal will be 30th September 4-6pm.
- 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 9th September 2007 Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

- 11.00am Family Communion including the Baptism of Max Duffy (JRC)
Hymns: SoF: 127, 40, 99, 362, 510, Anthem: I danced in the morning (Lord of the dance) 12
Banns: (1st) Nicholas Ellis (E) and Sarah Mann 1.30pm
26th October 2007
- 3.00pm Baptism at Elstow of Edward Walker (JRC)
- 6.30pm Evensong (JRC)
Hymns: NEH: 186, 471, 367, 76, 243

COLLECT

Almighty God,
whose only Son has opened for us
a new and living way into your presence:
give us pure hearts and steadfast wills
to worship you in spirit and truth;
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 this week

Sunday 9 th	11.00am	Family Communion including the baptism of Max Duffy (JRC)
	3.00pm	Baptism at Elstow of Edward Walker (JRC)
	3.30pm	Abbey Middle School visit to Abbey
	4-6.00pm	Panto Auditions / meeting in church hall
	6.30pm	Evensong (JRC)
Monday 10 th	8.30am	Morning Prayer at Cardington
	10.00am	Toddlers and Tea in Church Hall
	10.30am	EIAG meeting in Church House London
	7.00pm	Prayer Group in Summer House
	7.45pm	New Service Planning meeting at Rectory
Tuesday 11 th	8.30am	Morning Prayer at Cardington
	1.45pm	Funeral at Bedford Crematorium of Alan Umney (JRC)
	2.00pm	Hidden Britain Heritage Meeting
Wednesday 12 th	7.30pm	Readership meeting
	8.30am	Morning Prayer at Cardington
	9.30am	Chapter at Cranfield University
	11.30am	Coffee morning in Elstow Church Hall
	6.30pm	Youth Club Quiz Night
Thursday 13 th	8.30am	Morning Prayer at Cardington
	11.00am	Holy Communion at Elstow (JRC)
	3.30pm	Burial of Ashes at Elstow of Gwendolyn Howard (JRC)
	4.00pm	Meeting re Diocesan Synod
	5.30pm	Full Governors meeting at Abbey Middle School
	7.00pm	Wedding Blessing rehearsal of Gerald Odell and Norma Morgan (JRC)
Friday 14 th	8.30am	Morning Prayer at Cardington
	8.00pm	Bellringing
Saturday 15 th	12.30pm	Wedding at Elstow of Pietro Panarisi and Lisa Towell (PL)
	2.30pm	Wedding Blessing at Elstow of Gerald Odell and Norma Morgan (JRC)

JRC Day Off:

Friday 14th September

Next Sunday 16th September, 15th Sunday after Trinity

9.30am	Family Communion (JRC)
11.00am	Morning Prayer (Matins Group)
6.30pm	Evensong (Robert Heley)

Please pray for:

The Sick:

William Coward, Judy Carpenter, John Wagstaff,
Barbara Gale, Lyn Bromage, David Warner

The Recently Deceased:

Jane Rimmer, Elizabeth Burnage, David Reeve,
Alan Umney, Gwendolyn Howard