

Notices and Future Events Cont.

- **Afternoon Tea** in the Rectory Garden is on Thursday 29th May. Everyone welcome. 4.00-6.00pm
- **Open Gardens** at 209 Church End (Caretakers cottage by the Church Hall) is on Sunday 1st June 11.00am – 4.00pm. To raise money for the Elstow Holiday Club for this year – Junior Heros. Coffee, cakes, ploughman's lunches, cream teas, plants and raffle. If you can help supply items for sale or help on the day please contact either Margaret Baron or Tracey Hinson. Holiday club is Aug 4th - 8th, 10am – 12 noon, is free and for young people aged 5-11. Details of how to book will be available soon.
- **Bible Group** at Cardington Centenary room each Wed 8-9.30pm
- **Christian Aid** Total collected is £940. Thank you to everyone who helped and made donations. Can you help, set up and dismantle the Christian Aid Exhibition 5th & 16th May 2009 at the central library. Contact Sheila Batiuk 01234 741112.
- **Thursday Lunch** usually the 1st Thursday of the month after the communion service, at the Red Lion Pub, from 12 noon. **Next date 5th June.** All welcome. Choice of starter and main with Tea/Coffee for £5.99.
- **Sunday Lunch group** is being co-ordinated by Laura and Alistair (768137) for couples to meet on the 2nd Sunday of each month. Sunday roast, dessert and coffee. Next date June 8th
- **Southill Park Estate Afternoon** Benefice trip on Fri 6th June, organised by Friends of Elstow Abbey. 50 spaces only. All names of those who wish to go are needed by JRC by 4th June. £10 per person. Arrival at estate is 2.15pm prompt. Please use sign up & indicate if you can offer/need a lift.
- **St Michaels After-School club** for 5-10yr olds Tuesdays 3.45-5.15pm in St Michaels church.
- **Abbey Choir Vacancies** both junior 7 years+ and adults. Interested? More information email Director of Music Stephen McDonald – stevetmcdonald@btinternet.com
- **St Michael's Mums and Toddlers** on Tuesdays 10-11.30am in St Michael's church, each week.

JRC Day off: Friday 30th May

Church Wardens Contact details: Colin Albon 01234 407084 & Barbara Routledge 01234 854369. Wedding Bookings/enquiries or Notices for weekly Bulletin to Diana Hill, Tues/Thurs 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 25th May 2008 First Sunday after Trinity

- 10.00am Young Peoples service including the Baptism of Alfie Carr (JRC & DW)
- Banns: (3rd) 7/6/08 12.30pm; Steven Waterfield & Jacqueline Pryce
(3rd) 21/6/08 2pm; Jason Parke & Donna Reed
(3rd) 11/7/08 1.30pm; Jonathon Prior & Dawn Mather
(3rd) 12/7/08 2pm; Daniel Hicks & Georgina Walker
- (10.15am Bishop of Bedford at St Michaels)
- 11.15am Parish Communion (JRC)
Hymns: NEH: 346, 404, 295, 484 (omit * verses)
- 3.00pm Baptism at Elstow of George Childs-Gatty (JRC)
- 3.45pm Baptism at Elstow of Megan Craig (JRC)
- 6.30pm Evensong with Holy Communion and Laying on of Hands for Healing (JRC)
Hymns: NEH: 334, 445, 394, 295, Psalm 31 Vs 1-6

COLLECT

O God, the strength of all those who put their trust in you, mercifully accept our prayers and, because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing without you, grant us the help of your grace, that in the keeping of your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; 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

Sunday 25 th	10.00am	Young Peoples service including the Baptism of Alfie Carr (JRC & DW)
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Monday 26 th	8.30am	Morning Prayer at Cardington
	10.00am	NO Toddlers and Tea in Church Hall
	2.00pm	Prayer group meet in Summer House
Tuesday 27 th	8.30am	Morning Prayer at Cardington
	10.00am	Mums and Toddlers at St Michaels
	4.00pm	NO Dance class in Elstow Church Hall
Wednesday 28 th	8.30am	Morning Prayer at Cardington
	11.30am	Coffee morning and Soup in Hall
	4.00pm	JRC at Abbey Middle School
	6.30pm	NO Youth Club
	8.00pm	Wedding interview
Thursday 29 th	8.30am	Morning Prayer at Cardington
	11.00am	Holy Communion service at Elstow (JRC)
	12.00noon	Funeral service and burial at Elstow for Kenneth Black (JRC)
	2.00pm	Youth Leaders meeting at the Hinsons
	4 - 6.00pm	Afternoon Tea at the Rectory
	7.30pm	Fundraising committee meeting at the Hinsons
Friday 30 th	8.30am	Morning Prayer at Cardington
Saturday 31 st	6.00pm	Youth Club sleep over and BBQ

Next Sunday

1st June 2008,

Second Sunday after Trinity

10.00am	Family Communion with Sunday School (JRC)
11.15am	Morning Prayer (JRC)
12.30pm	Wedding rehearsal at Elstow for Steven Waterfield and Jacqueline Pryce (JRC)
6.30pm	Evensong (JRC)

Please Pray for

Recently Deceased:

Betty Finch, Kenneth Black
