

Notices and Future Events

- **Norman Thompson** we are sad to announce that last Friday 23rd May, Norman died. His funeral service will be at Elstow Abbey next Thursday 5th June, at 12 noon then committal at Bedford Crematorium at 1pm. Refreshments from 1.30pm at 4 Tennyson Avenue. All welcome.
- **Open Gardens** at 209 Church End (Caretakers cottage by the Church Hall) is **TODAY** Sunday 1st June 11.00am – 4.00pm. To raise money for the Elstow Holiday Club for this year – Junior Heroes. 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
- **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.
- **Bedford Choral Society** concert is on Sat 14th June at 7.30pm at the Corn Exchange. Tickets £15 & £12 from the Box office 01234 269519.
- **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 6th June



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

We extend a warm welcome to everyone today

Sunday 1st June 2008
Second Sunday after Trinity

10.00am	Family Communion with Sunday School (JRC)
Hymns:	SoF: 457, 268, 470, Anthem: As we are gathered, 330, 32
11.15am	Morning Prayer (JRC)
Hymns:	NEH: 256, 49, 200, 493, 486, Psalm 33 Vs 1-6
6.30pm	Evensong (JRC)
Hymns:	NEH: 52, 467, 436, 378, 251, Psalm 50 Vs 1-6

COLLECT

Lord, you have taught us
that all our doings without love are nothing worth:
send your Holy Spirit
and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love,
the true bond of peace and of all virtues,
without which whoever lives is counted dead before you.
grant this for you only Son Jesus Christ's sake,
who is alive and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit
one God, now and for ever.

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.

Diary for the Week

Sunday 1 st	10.00am	Family Communion with Sunday School (JRC)
	11.00am	Open Garden at 209 Church End
	11.15am	Morning Prayer (JRC)
	12.30pm	Wedding rehearsal at Elstow for Steven Waterfield & Jacqueline Pryce (JRC)
	6.30pm	Evensong (JRC)
Monday 2 nd	8.30am	Morning Prayer at Cardington
	10.00am	Toddlers and Tea in Church Hall
	2.00pm	Prayer group meet in Summer House
	8.30pm	Wedding Interview at Rectory
Tuesday 3 rd	8.30am	Morning Prayer at Cardington
	10.00am	Mums and Toddlers at St Michaels
	10.00am	Sing and Sign in Elstow church hall
	10.00am	Team Rectors meeting at Barton-le-Clay
	4.00pm	Dance class in Elstow Church Hall
Wednesday 4 th	8.30am	Morning Prayer at Cardington
	11.30am	Coffee morning and Soup in Hall
	2.30pm	Clergy meeting at Bindon Abbey
	6.30pm	Youth Club
	7.30pm	Deanery Synod at St Mary's Cardington
Thursday 5 th	8.30am	Morning Prayer at Cardington
	11.00am	Holy Communion service at Elstow (JRC)
	12.00noon	Monthly Lunch at Red Lion
	12.00noon	Funeral service at Elstow for Norman Thompson then at Bedford Crematorium 1pm (JRC)
	3.00pm	Curriculum & Personnel meeting at Abbey Middle School
	8.00pm	Finance and Standing committee meeting at the Hinsons

Diary for the Week (Cont.)

Friday 6 th	8.30am	Morning Prayer at Cardington
	2.30pm	Visit to Southill Park and Estate
Saturday 7 th	12.30pm	Wedding at Elstow for Steven Waterfield & Jacqueline Pryce (JRC)

Next Sunday
8th June 2008,
Third Sunday after Trinity

10.00am	Family Communion with Sunday School (JRC)
6.30pm	Evensong (DW)

Please Pray for

Recently Deceased:
Norman Thompson
