

Notices and Future Events

- **Elstow May Festival** – thank you for all of you who helped at this year's event. Despite the weather, the total raised was a wonderful £723! The date for next year is 14th May 2011.
- **Bags 2 School** – Bags of old clothes need to be returned to the church today, ready for collection tomorrow (17th May). The heavier the better, as we will receive money based on the tonnage. The funds will be split between the new Thursday arts & Crafts group and the Pre-School, "The Ladybirds".
- **PCC Meeting** – Thursday 20th at 7.30pm in the Church Hall
- **Creche** – I am looking for volunteers to help with a crèche during the 10am service each week from the Autumn, hopefully on a rota basis. Any offers of help, please speak to Jeremy or Sarah.
- **Dance Classes** – will start again at Elstow Church Hall on Wednesday from 2nd June, 4-15-5.30pm
- **Friends trip to Southill Park** – Tues 8th June, meet here at 2pm. The cost will be £10 pp. There are only 4 places still available. Please speak to Lynne Faulkner if interested.
- **Parish Holidays** –. If there are any deposits outstanding for Isle of Wight please let Jeremy have them asap
- **Church Hall** – if you would like to make a donation towards the new Church Hall, please speak to Tracey or Jeremy.
- Jeremy's days off Fri 21st April and Fri 28th April

Church Wardens Contact details: Tracey Hinson 01234 406061 & Barbara Routledge 01234 854369.
Wedding/ Baptism / Hall Bookings; enquiries or Notices on **Wednesdays** to Sarah Duffy at the Rectory – 01234 261477.

IF YOU ARE NEW TO OUR CHURCH....WELCOME
Please introduce yourself to one of the church wardens or sidesmen, and please do join us for tea/coffee in the Church Hall



THE ABBEY CHURCH OF ST MARY AND ST HELENA, ELSTOW

We extend a warm welcome to everyone today

Sunday 16th May 2010

The Sunday after Ascension

10.00am Holy Communion with Sunday School (JRC+RC)
Hymns: NEH: 263, SoF: 451, 24, 120, 456
11.15am Mattins (JRC)
Hymns: NEH: 105, 108, 115, 476
3pm: Baptism of Harriet Frances May Owen (JRC)
6pm Christian Aid Service at St Michaels
NO Evensong tonight at Elstow Abbey.

COLLECT for 16.05.10

O God the Kind of glory,
Who hast exalted thine only Son Jesus Christ
With great triumph unto thy kingdom in heaven:
We beseech thee, leave us not comfortless,
But send to us thine Holy Spirit to comfort us
And exalt us unto the same place
Whither our Saviour Christ is gone before;
Who liveth and reigneth with thee,
In the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God, now and for ever.

COLLECT for 23.05.10

God who as at this time
Didst teach the hearts of thy faithful people
By sending to them the light of thy Holy Spirit:
Grant us by the same Spirit
To have a right judgement in all things
And evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort;
Through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour,
Who liveth and reigneth with thee,
In the unity of the same Spirit, One God, now and forever.

Diary for the Weeks

Sun 16 th	4pm	Wedding interview (JRC)
	4.45pm	Wedding interview + rehearsal (JRC)
	6-7.30pm	Yoyo Group at Capt David Wells' house for young people
Monday 17 th	09.00am	Bags 2 School collection from Church
	10.00am	Mums & Toddlers in the Church Hall
	2-3pm	Prayer hour in the Church Hall, led by Captain David Wells
	5-8pm	Confirmation classes @ St Michael's
Tuesday	09.30am	Baptism interview at the Vicarage
	1.30-2.30pm	Sing and Sign in the Church Hall
	7pm	Wedding interview (JRC)
	8pm	Wedding interview (JRC)
Wednesday 19 ^h	8.30am	Morning Prayer @ Cardington
	10.00am	Clergy Chapter (JRC)
	11.30am	Doris Gwendolyn Witworth – burial of Ashes
	11.30am	Coffee morning followed by soup
	5.45-8pm	Youth Club – May games @ vicarage
	7.30pm	Guides to visit Church tower
	8.00pm	Team Bible Study @ Cardington
Thursday 20 th	11.00am	Holy Communion (JRC)
	1.30-2.30	Elstow Art & Craft Club in Hall
	6-7pm	Yoga @ Church Hall
	7.30pm	Elstow PCC Meeting in the Church Hall
Friday 21 st	7.15pm	Choir Practice
	8.00pm	Bell Ringing

Sunday 23^d May – Day of Pentecost

10.00am	Youth Service (JH)	
11.15am	Holy Communion (PL)	
3pm	Baptism of Poppy Ann Reed (JRC)	
4.30pm	Friends of Elstow Abbey AGM in Church Hall	
6-7.30pm	Yoyo Group at Capt David Wells' house	
6.30pm	Evensong and laying on of hands with Holy Communion (JRC + RC)	
JRC at St Michael's at 09.45am and Cardington at 11.00 am		
Monday 24 th	10am	Mums and Toddlers in Church Hall
	12.30pm	JRC to Letchworth
	2-3pm	Prayer hour in the Church Hall, led by Captain David Wells.
	5-6pm	Children's confirmation class at St Michael's
	6.30-8pm	Adult confirmation class -St Michael's
Tuesday 25 th	1.30-2.30pm	Sing and Sign in the Church Hall
Wednesday 26 th	10.30-2.30	JRC to EIAG in London
	11.30am	Coffee Morning followed by soup
	5.45-8pm	Youth Club – Light hike
Thursday 27 th	All day	JRC Board of Governors- London
	11.00am	Holy Communion (RC)
	1.30-2.30pm	Elstow Art & Craft Club in Hall
	6-7pm	Yoga @ Church Hall
Friday 28 th	7.15pm	Choir Practice
	8.00pm	Bell Ringing
Saturday	am	JRC to Ireland

Morning prayer every day at 08.30am at St Mary's, Cardington

Deceased - Arlene Yates