

Notices and Future Events

- Amended Pantomime rehearsals in the Church Hall for January are: 7th Jan 3.30-5pm, 14th Jan 3.30-5pm, 21st 4 - 5pm, 28th Jan 3.30-5pm, 4th Feb 3.30-4.30 FINAL DRESS rehearsal, **PERFORMANCE at 5.00pm** followed by a Bring and Share Supper in the Church Hall. Sign up sheet for the supper is at the back of church.
- 16th January will be the Confirmation Service at 7.30pm at St Michael's where Megan Cullen is to be Confirmed.
- 18th January will be the next meeting for the May festival at the Swan, 8pm
- Joint Ecumenical Service for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity with the Bishop of St Albans is at 6pm on 22nd January at Elstow Abbey. Churches from the whole of Bedford will be coming. Refreshments follow the service in the Hall.
- 23rd January will be an additional meeting for the Bereavement course. Time and Venue to be confirmed.
- Joint Wardens meeting with the Patron and the Bishop of Bedford will be at the Gate on 26th January at 7.30pm.
- IOW for 2006. Dates are Sunday 23rd July to Saturday 29th July. It is half board and cost is around £260 per person incl travel. Full details including estimated cost are at the back of Church. Deposits and completed forms will be needed, by end Jan to secure your place. Room type availability is on a first come basis. More details about the hotel available from Diana Hill.

Jeremy Crocker: Day Off: Friday 20th January

Wedding Bookings/enquiries or Notices for weekly Bulletin to Diana Hill either Tuesday or Thursday mornings. (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 15th January Epiphany 2

9.30am	Family Communion (Jeremy Crocker)
Hymns:	SoF: 148, 303, 208, 1
11.00am	Morning Prayer (Matins Group with Jeremy Crocker)
Hymns:	NEH: 55, 137, 431, 367, 377, 235
3.00pm	Baptism of Gianni Roberto Sirchia at Elstow Abbey
6.30am	Evensong (Robert Healey)
Hymns:	NEH: 49, 434, 55, 50, 252

COLLECT

Almighty God,
in Christ you make all things new:
transform the poverty of our nature
by the richness of your grace,
and in the renewal of our lives
make known your heavenly glory,
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 15 th	9.30am	Family Communion (Jeremy Crocker)
	11.00am	Morning Prayer (Matins Group)
	6.30pm	Evensong Service (Robert Healey)
Monday 16 th	8.30am	Morning Prayer at Cardington
	12.30pm	Clergy Meeting
	7.00pm	Prayer Group in the Summerhouse
	7.30pm	Confirmation of Megan Cullen at St Michael's
Tuesday 17 th	8.30am	Morning Prayer at Cardington
	10.00am	Jeremy taking Elstow Lower School Assemblies
	8.00pm	Finance and Standing Committee meeting at the Hinsons
Wednesday 18 th	8.30am	Morning Prayer at Cardington
	9.30am	Clergy Chapter at St Michael's
	11.30am	Coffee Morning in Church Hall
	2.00pm	Meeting at Yarl's Wood Centre
	6.30pm	Choir Practice
	8.00pm	May Festival Meeting at Swan Pub
Thursday 19 th	8.30am	Morning Prayer at Cardington
	11.00am	Holy Communion (Jeremy Crocker)
	12.30pm	Bereavement Admin Meeting at Rectory
	2.15pm	Jeremy at Elstow Lower School
	7.30pm	Cardington PCC meeting
Friday 20 th	8.30am	Morning Prayer at Cardington
	8.00pm	Bellringing
Saturday 21 st	10.00-1.00pm	Diocesan Synod at Queens School Bushey
	2-4.00pm	Childrens Workshop
	4-5.00pm	Extra Panto rehearsal

Next Sunday**22nd January, Epiphany 3**

9.30am	Young Peoples Service
11.00am	Morning Prayer (Matins Group)
6.00pm	Joint Ecumenical Service for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (With the Bishop of St Albans, the Right Revd. Christopher Herbert)

Monthly Guest Preachers at Elstow

5 th Feb	Geoff Fletcher
9.30am & 11.00am	(Diocesan Stewardship Advisor)
19 th February	Rev Peter Littleford
9.30am & 11.00am	(Note Jeremy Crocker will be at St Michael's 10.15am Service)
12 th March	The Venerable Trevor Jones
11.00am	(Archdeacon Hertford)
30 th April	Rev Mike Norton
11.00am	(Previous Vicar of Elstow 1976-1982)

Please pray for:

Those be confirmed on Monday:

including Megan Cullen

The Sick:

Ron Chapple, Glenys Godden, Shirley Teague, Jack Walsh, Stephen Smith, Charlie Goff
Joan Johnson, Doug Gautrey

The recently Deceased:

Derek Moore, David Routledge