

## Notices and Future Events

- **Toddlers and Tea** a Mums (or Carers) and Toddlers group. Each Monday in the Church hall. 10.00am – 11.30am.
- **Bechar AGM** is on 28<sup>th</sup> September 8pm at the Prebend Day centre. All interested in the Bedford concern for the homeless and rootless.
- **MacMillan Coffee Morning** All welcome to join Peter and Valerie Littleford on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September 10am-12.30pm at 1 Bindon Abbey. Bring and Buy stall and raffle. All funds raised to go Macmillian Nurses.
- **Elstow Tower Open Day** Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> September. Elstow Church bells will be open to visitors between 12 noon and 2.00pm
- **Cheese and Wine Evening** to say Thank you to Dr John Crookall for his many years of service at Elstow, and particularly as our Organist. 7pm on September 30<sup>th</sup> in the Rectory.
- **Working Party** to help the caretakers on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> September from 9.30am. All welcome to help.
- **Harvest:** 1<sup>st</sup> October 10.30am Family Communion service for Harvest Festival with guest Richard Huband followed by a bring and share lunch. Please see sign up sheets at back of church for list of contributions required.
- **Concord Singers:** “Fair is the Heaven” in aid of St Johns Hospice, Moggerhanger. 7.30pm, 7<sup>th</sup> October at St John’s Church, Moggerhanger. Tickets £5 inclusive of refreshments.
- **Concert by Bill Fudge** at Elstow Abbey on behalf of Friends of Elstow Abbey. 21<sup>st</sup> October, 7.30pm. Tickets available on the door, £5 (or £4.50 for members of Friends of Elstow)

Jeremy Crocker: Day off: Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September

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 24<sup>th</sup> September  
15<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity**

9.30am Banns:	Young Peoples service (John Hinson) Darren Pacyna and Paula Seath: 21/10/06 2.00pm
10.30am	Jeremy Crocker Preaching at St Mary’s Cardington
11.00am Hymns:	Morning Prayer (Mattins Group) NEH: 341, SOF: 425, NEH: 369, 463, 239, 235
3.00pm	Baptism at Elstow of Luke Swinscoe (JRC)
3.45pm	Baptism at Elstow of Tennyson Paul (JRC)
6.30pm Hymns:	Evensong (Canon Philip McDonough) NEH: 436, 341, 459, 393, 244

### **COLLECT**

God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit  
upon your Church in the burning fire of your love:  
grant that your people may be fervent  
in the fellowship of the gospel  
that, always abiding in you,  
they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service;  
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	9.30am	Young peoples service (John Hinson)
24 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	JRC preaching at St Mary's Cardington
	11.00am	Morning Prayer (Matins Group)
	3.00pm	Baptism at Elstow of Luke Swinscoe
	3.45pm	Baptism of Tennyson Paul
	6.30pm	Evensong (Canon Philip McDonough)
Monday	8.30am	Morning Prayer at Cardington
25 <sup>th</sup>	10-11.30am	Toddlers and Tea Church in Hall
Tuesday	8.30am	Morning Prayer at Cardington
26 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	Bedford Learning : Governors Training evening
	7.30pm	Alpha Meal at Corn Exchange
Wednesday	8.30am	Morning Prayer at Cardington
27 <sup>th</sup>	11.30am	Coffee Morning
	6.30pm	John Bunyan Upper School Governors meeting
Thursday	8.30am	Morning Prayer at Cardington
28 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Burial of Ashes at Elstow of Michael Vyse
	11.00am	Holy Communion (JRC)
	11.45am	Interview planning and preparation meeting
	7.30pm	Cardington PCC meeting in Jubilee Room St Mary's Church Hall
	8.00pm	SBCC United Prayer Fellowship meeting at London Road Methodists
Friday	8.30am	Morning Prayer at Cardington
29 <sup>th</sup>	8.00pm	Bellringing
Saturday	9.30am	Working Party
30 <sup>th</sup>	12-2pm	Visiting Bell Ringers
	3.00pm	Choir Director Interviews
	7.00pm	Cheese and Wine Evening for John Crookall at Rectory

### Next Sunday

### 1<sup>st</sup> October, 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

### Harvest Festival Animal Welfare Sunday

10.30am	Harvest Family Communion (JRC with guest Rev Richard Huband) followed by a bring and share lunch
6.30pm	Harvest Evensong (JRC)

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### Visiting Guest Preachers

8 <sup>th</sup> October	11.00am	Rev'd Mary Parrett
15 <sup>th</sup> October	6.30pm	Robert Heley
12 <sup>th</sup> November	6.30pm	Canon Philip McDonough

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### Please pray for:

#### *The Sick:*

Ron Chapple, Murial Smith, Judith Carpenter

#### *The Recently Deceased:*

Julia De-Vall, Michael Vyse, Keith Pearson