

## Notices and Future Events

- **Toddlers and Tea** a Mums (or Carers) and Toddlers group in the Church hall 10.00am – 11.30am. Co-ordinator Mrs Michelle Tuck 305153. No meeting Monday 12<sup>th</sup> – Half Term.
- **Stewardship Role** Anyone interested in taking over the role, preferably 2 people, please contact Eric/Mavis Crossen. (768148)
- **Gift Aid** envelopes are available for you to use. If you normally give cash and pay tax, please use a Gift Aid envelope which gives the church an extra 28p in every £1. We need to increase our income to be able to pay the quota-every penny really does help.
- **Thursday Lunch** following the communion every 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month at the Red lion Pub, from 12 noon. Next date 1<sup>st</sup> March Set Menu of Salmon or Fish'n'Chips or Sausage'n'Mash, Cheesecake or Sticky toffee pudding with custard with tea or coffee for £5.99. All welcome
- **Children's Society Shop** volunteers needed. Please contact Andrea Newman 01604 792231 for details of how to help or see her after the 11am service on March 11th.
- **Youth Club** re-launch on April 18<sup>th</sup>. Meeting for those interested to help will be on 7<sup>th</sup> March 6.30pm at the Rectory. Please speak to Ross Millar or Jeremy Crocker.
- **SBCC Prayer meeting** at London Road Methodists 7.45pm prayers for 8pm meeting on Thursday Feb 8<sup>th</sup>.
- **Elstow PCC** meeting in Elstow Church Hall 7.30pm Thursday Feb 8<sup>th</sup>.
- **Bedfordshire Organist Association** concert at Elstow Abbey on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> February at 4pm. Free entry, All welcome.
- **May Festival Meeting** 11<sup>th</sup> February at 4.30pm at the Swan Pub in the restaurant section. All welcome to come with ideas.
- **Bellringers Quarterly Meeting** will be on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> April. Service at 4.30pm, Tea at 5pm followed by meeting and ringing.
- **Salvation Army Band Concert** at Elstow Abbey at 7.30pm Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> April.
- **Friends AGM** is on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> May starting at 3.15pm. Lecture by Canon Stephen Lake, Sub Dean of St Albans at 3.45pm. Afternoon Tea 4.05pm finishing with Evensong at 5pm when Stephen Lake will preach.

Jeremy Crocker: Day Off: Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February

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 4<sup>th</sup> February 2007 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday before Lent, Stewardship Sunday

9.30am	Family Communion (JRC)
Hymns:	SoF: 234, 120, 21, Anthem: All that I am, 381, 395
Banns:	Krystan Fitch and Lisa Kent: 3/3/07 1pm
11.00am	Morning Prayer (JRC)
Hymns:	NEH: 343, 254, 369, 493, 377, 433
3.45pm	Baptism at Elstow Abbey of Harmony Alleyne (JRC)
6.30pm	Evensong (JRC)
Hymns:	NEH: 52, 433, 493, 341, 250

### **COLLECT**

#### **Presentation of Christ in the Temple**

Almighty and ever-living God,  
clothed in majesty,  
whose beloved Son was this day presented in the Temple,  
in substance of our flesh:  
grant that we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts,  
by your Son Jesus Christ 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 4 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Family Communion (JRC)
	11.00am	Morning Prayer (JRC)
	3.45pm	Baptism at Elstow of Harmony Alleyne
	6.30pm	Evensong (JRC)
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup>	8.30am	Morning Prayer at Cardington
	10.00am	Toddlers and Tea in Church Hall
	7.00pm	Prayer Group meet in the Summer House
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	7.45pm	Friends meeting in Church Hall
	8.30am	Morning Prayer at Cardington
	10.00am	Burial of ashes at Elstow of Eunice Howorth (JRC)
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	General Synod briefing at St Albans
	8.30am	Morning Prayer at Cardington
	9.30am	Holy Communion Service at Cotton End
	11.30am	Coffee Morning in Elstow Church Hall
	5.00pm	Meeting at Abbey Middle School
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Deanery Synod meeting at Elstow church hall
	8.30am	Morning Prayer at Cardington
	11.00am	Holy Communion (JRC)
	12-3pm	John Bunyan Upper school meeting
	6.30pm	Junior Confirmation Classes
	7.30pm	Adult Confirmation Classes
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Elstow PCC meeting in Church Hall
	7.45pm	SBCC Prayer meeting at London Road Methodists
	8.30am	Morning Prayer at Cardington
	8.00pm	Bellringing
	Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup>	1.30-6.30pm
3.00pm		Free Organ recital at Elstow Abbey – All welcome

**Next Sunday****11<sup>th</sup> February, 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday before Lent**

11.00am	Parish Communion (Rev Peter Littleford) JRC at St Michael's
3.00pm	Baptism at Elstow of Olivia Savalli (JRC)
6.30pm	Evensong (JRC)

**Guest Preachers**

11 <sup>th</sup> Feb	11.00am	Rev Peter Littleford (JRC at St Michaels)
15 <sup>th</sup> Feb	11.00am	Rev Len Moore
18 <sup>th</sup> Feb	9.30am 6.30pm	Rev Mervyn Terrett Canon Philip McDonough
1 <sup>st</sup> Mar	11.00am	Rev Stephen Smith
4 <sup>th</sup> Mar	9.30am & 11.00am	Jacky Potton
11 <sup>th</sup> Mar	11.00am	Bp Robin Smith Preach and Preside
15 <sup>th</sup> Apr	9.30am	Rev Stephen Smith
20 <sup>th</sup> May	3.45pm & 5pm	Canon Stephen Lake

**Please pray for:***The Sick:*

Jean Bennett, Pamela Dance, Barbara Gale