

Notices and Future Events

- **Thursday Lunch** usually the 1st Thursday of the month after the communion service, at the Red Lion Pub, from 12 noon. **Next date 6th Mar.** All welcome. Choice of starter and main with Tea/Coffee for £5.99.
- **Parish Holiday** details are at the back of church and in the Elstow Parish Magazine. We will be staying at the Carlton Hotel, Sandown on the Isle of Wight 20th – 26th July 2008. Booking forms and deposits are required to secure your place. We have been reallocated some more rooms and now can offer TWIN, DOUBLE or FAMILY rooms. (Please note there are NO SINGLES LEFT and we can not offer a twin or double for single occupancy)
- **The Lent Course** will be organised this year by the Churches Together in South Bedfordshire. It shall run for 5 weeks each Monday. The York Course of 5 sessions is based upon the Lords Prayer, praying it, meaning it, living it. All sessions are at the London Road Methodist church starting at 7.30pm and ending at 9pm with a cuppa. Mon 3rd Mar – As we forgive, led by Josie Line, Mon 10th Mar – United service with preacher Rev Rupert Hankey.
- **Maundy Thursday** service of Holy communion at 7.30pm will also include the stripping of the altar, followed by readings. A list is available for you to sign up for one of the slots for readings and reflections. Please speak to Jeremy, Colin or Barbara if you want any information or help selecting your reading.
- **Frugal Lunch** on Good Friday will be in the Church Hall from 12.30pm. A list to sign up to help with numbers is on the table at the back of church. To help with costs a suggested donation is £3 each with any profit going to Christian Aid.
- **CARGO** the musical by Paul Field is being performed by St Neots Christian Performing Arts on 13th, 14th and 15th March at the Priory Centre, St Neots. (Not recommended for young children due to the nature of the subject) Tickets £8 per person and £6 concessions. Contact David Brown & Co 01480 377140.
- **The APCM** is to be held on Thursday 24th April at 7.30pm at Elstow Church Hall.

Church Wardens Contact details: Colin Albon 01234 407084 & Barbara Routledge 01234 854369

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 2nd March 2008 **Mothering Sunday**

10.30am Family Communion (Jeremy Crocker)
Hymns: SoF: 520, 208, 14, 124, Anthem: For Mary mother of our Lord, 405

6.30pm Evensong (Jeremy Crocker)
Hymns: NEH: 285, 369, 239, 387, 457, Psalm 34 vs1-6

COLLECT

God of compassion,
whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary,
shared the life of a home in Nazareth,
and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself:
strengthen us in our daily living
that in joy and in sorrow
we may know the power of your presence
to bind together and to heal;
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 the Week

Sunday 2 nd	10.30am 6.30pm	Family Communion (JRC) Evensong (JRC)
Monday 3 rd	8.30am 10.00am 10.00am 12.00noon 2.00pm 5.00pm 7.30pm	Morning Prayer at Cardington Toddlers and Tea in Church Hall JRC at Abbey Middle School meeting Pastoral meeting Prayer group meet in Summer House Funeral visit Lent course at London Road Methodists
Tuesday 4 th	8.30am 10.00am 12.00noon	Morning Prayer at Cardington JRC at Elstow Lower School Assembly Baptism interview
Wednesday 5 th	8.30am 11.30am 3.15pm 6.30pm 6.30pm	Morning Prayer at Cardington Coffee morning and Soup in Hall JRC at Child Protection talk at Abbey Middle School Youth Club Bishops Council meeting
Thursday 6 th	8.30am 11.00am 12.00noon 1.45pm 6.00pm 7.30pm	Morning Prayer at Cardington Holy Communion service at Elstow (JRC) Monthly Lunch club at Red Lion Funeral at Norse Rd Crematorium for Muriel Fountain (JRC) Wedding Interview at Rectory Benefice Wardens meeting at Bindon Abbey
Friday 7 th	8.30am 8.00pm	Morning Prayer at Cardington Bell Ringing
Saturday 8 th	2.00pm	Wedding Interview at Rectory

Next Sunday**9th March 2008 , Passion Sunday****Fifth Sunday of Lent**

10.00am	Parish Communion (Rev Jeremy Crocker)
11.30am	Burial of Ashes of Doug and Bay Gautrey at Elstow
3.00pm	Baptism at Elstow of Freddie Owen
6.30pm	Evensong (Rev Jeremy Crocker)