

## Notices and Future Events

- **St Michael's Mums and Toddlers** on Tuesdays 10-11.30am in St Michael's church, starts on April 8<sup>th</sup>.
- **Hall Plans** up to date drawings are on display at the back so please take a look.
- **Thursday Lunch** usually the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month after the communion service, at the Red Lion Pub, from 12 noon. **Next date 3<sup>rd</sup> Apr.** All welcome. Choice of starter and main with Tea/Coffee for £5.99.
- **Sunday Lunch group** is being co-ordinated by Laura and Alistair (768137) for couples to meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month. Sunday roast, dessert and coffee. Price TBC. 1<sup>st</sup> date will be 13<sup>th</sup> April.
- **Parish Holiday** details are at the back of church and in the Elstow Parish Magazine. Staying at the Carlton Hotel, Sandown on the Isle of Wight 20<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> July 2008. Booking forms & deposits are required to secure your place. TWIN, DOUBLE or FAMILY (2A1C) rooms. (Please note there are NO SINGLES LEFT and we can not offer a twin or double for single occupancy)
- **Dance Club** Tuesdays 4-6pm in the church hall. Starts 1<sup>st</sup> April more details from Penny Rigden (269023). 3½-5yrs at 4pm, 5-7yrs at 4.30pm, 8-11yrs 5-5.45pm. Cost £2.50 per child per session.
- **Archdeacon of St Albans** It has been announced on 17<sup>th</sup> March, that Revd Jonathon Smith, Vicar at St Johns Harpenden, has been appointed to this position.
- **Sign and Sign** classes are held in Elstow Church Hall each Tuesday for children aged 7-18months. Details from Julie 01767 691488 or email enquiries@beds-singandsign.com.
- **Easter Monday Pilgrimage** (24<sup>th</sup> Mar) to St Albans Abbey. Meet at Bedford Midland mainline station at 11am. Return around 6pm. Bring picnic lunch. Coffee provided at the Quality Hotel (donation requested) Group rate train ticket if booked in advance. £7.50 adult, £3.50 child. Please use sheet at the back to request your group rate ticket. Consent forms available for young people over 9yrs wanting to go as part of Sunday school / youth group.
- **The APCM** is to be held on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30pm at Elstow Church Hall.
- **Cool Britannia** Time of our lives music theatre mix of music, dance stand up and sketch comedy. On Friday 25<sup>th</sup> April at 8pm at Elstow Abbey. Tickets from Friends of Elstow, Adult £10, Child £7 family of 4 £25.

JRC Day off: Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March

Church Wardens Contact details: Colin Albon 01234 407084 & Barbara Routledge 01234 854369. Wedding Bookings/enquiries or Notices for weekly Bulletin to Diana Hill, Tues/Thurs 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 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2008**  
**Easter Day**

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| 10.30am | Family Communion (JRC)  |
| Hymns:  | NEH: 110, 105, 121, 113, Anthem: Give thanks to the Lord our God, 120 |
| Banns:  | (3 <sup>rd</sup> ) 19/4/08 Craig Gauntlett and Sally Bailey           |
| 3.00pm  | Baptism at Elstow of George White (JRC)                               |
| 3.45pm  | Baptism at Elstow of Erin Stokes (JRC)                                |
| 4.30pm  | Baptism at Elstow of Anthony Rowley (JRC)                             |
| 6.30pm  | Evensong (JRC)  |
| Hymns:  | NEH: 117, 124, 114, 118, 119, Psalm 145 Vs 1-6                        |

### **COLLECT**

Lord of all life and power,  
who through the mighty resurrection of your Son  
overcame the old order of sin and death  
to make all things new in him:  
grant that we, being dead to sin  
and alive to you in Jesus Christ,  
may reign with him in glory;  
to whom with you and the Holy Spirit  
be praise and honour, glory and might,  
now and in all eternity

### Diary for the Week

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| Sunday<br>23 <sup>rd</sup>    | 10.30am | Family Communion ( JRC)                                    |
|                               | 3.00pm  | Baptism at Elstow of George White (JRC)                    |
|                               | 3.45pm  | Baptism at Elstow of Erin Stokes (JRC)                     |
|                               | 4.30pm  | Baptism at Elstow of Anthony Rowley (JRC)                  |
|                               | 6.30pm  | Evensong (JRC)   |
| Monday<br>24 <sup>th</sup>    | 8.30am  | Morning Prayer at Cardington                               |
|                               | 10.00am | <b>NO</b> Toddlers and Tea in Church Hall                  |
|                               | 11.00am | Meet Bedford Train St Albans<br>Pilgrimage                 |
|                               | 2.00pm  | Prayer group meet in Summer House                          |
| Tuesday<br>25 <sup>th</sup>   | 8.30am  | Morning Prayer at Cardington                               |
| Wednesday<br>26 <sup>th</sup> | 8.30am  | Morning Prayer at Cardington                               |
|                               | 11.30am | Coffee morning and Soup in Hall                            |
|                               | 1.15pm  | Funeral and Burial at Elstow for<br>Charles Scarlett (JRC) |
|                               | 2.30pm  | Funeral and Burial at Elstow for<br>Kenneth Rogers         |
|                               | 6.30pm  | <b>NO</b> Youth Club                                       |
| Thursday<br>27 <sup>th</sup>  | 8.30am  | Morning Prayer at Cardington                               |
|                               | 11.00am | Holy Communion service at Elstow (JRC)                     |
|                               | 2.30pm  | Funeral at Elstow for Florence Astle<br>(JRC)              |
|                               | 4.00pm  | Stewardship committee meeting at<br>Rectory                |
|                               | 5.30pm  | Baptism interview at Rectory                               |
|                               | 7.30pm  | Cardington PCC   |
| Friday<br>28 <sup>th</sup>    | 8.30am  | Morning Prayer at Cardington                               |
|                               | 8.00pm  | Bell Ringing   |
| Saturday<br>29 <sup>th</sup>  | 2.00pm  | Burial of Ashes of Donald Wells<br>(JRC)                   |

**CLOCKS CHANGE**

### Next Sunday

**30<sup>th</sup> March 2008.**

### **Second Sunday of Easter**

|         |  |
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| 10.30am | United Benefice Service of Family Communion (JRC)                        |
| 6.30pm  | Evensong with Holy Communion and Laying on of Hands<br>for Healing (JRC) |

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### **Please Pray for:**

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| <i>The Recently Deceased:</i> | Muriel Fountain, Kenneth Rogers, Charles<br>Scarlett, Florence Astle, Jack Noble, Donald<br>Wells |
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