

Notices and Future Events Cont.

- **The APCM** is to be held on Thursday 24th April at 7.30pm at Elstow Church Hall. Nomination forms for the PCC please call Glynis Annan, PCC Secretary 403533.
- **Cool Britannia** Time of our lives music theatre mix of music, dance stand up & sketch comedy. On Friday 25th April at 8pm at Elstow Abbey. Tickets from Jeremy Colin, Barbara or Miriam, Adult £10, Child £7 family of 4 £25. Offers of Raffle prizes are needed, please speak to Barbara or Rosemary.
- **Bible Group** at Cardington Centenary room each Wed 8-9.30pm
- **Christian Aid Week** 11-17th May. Volunteers needed for the house to house collection in Elstow Parish. Contact Sheila Batiuk 01234 741112. Christian Aid meal at the Rectory is planned for 13th May from 6pm. All welcome, for catering please use sign up sheet. Free but donations received will go to Christian Aid collection. 11th May Joint service at St Michaels 6pm, no evensong at Elstow that day.
- **St Michaels Fayre** 17th May in Barford Avenue, 2-4pm
- **Friends of Elstow AGM** 5.30pm on Sun 18th May in the church hall. Coffee and cake provided.
- **Benefice Social Evening** at St Michaels Scott Hall 24th May 7-9.30pm international bring and share.
- **Southill Park Estate Afternoon** Benefice trip on Fri 6th June, organised by Friends of Elstow Abbey. 50 spaces only and all names of those who wish to go are needed by JRC by 4th June. £10 per person. Arrival at estate is 2.15pm prompt. Please use sign up and indicate if you can offer or need a lift.
- **St Michaels After-School club** for 5-10yr olds starts 22nd Apr 3.45-5.15pm in St Michaels church.

JRC Day off: Friday 18th April

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 13th April 2008
Fourth Sunday of Easter
Vocations Sunday

10.00am	Parish Communion (JRC with Guest Preacher Sally Lynch)
Hymns:	SoF: 597, 533, 599, 407, Anthem: Lord for the years, 425
3.45pm	Baptism of Erin Stokes (JRC)
6.30pm	Evensong (JRC)
Hymns:	NEH: 206, 118, 446, 119, 242, Psalm 23

COLLECT

Almighty God
whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life:
raise us, who trust in him,
from the death of sin to the life of righteousness,
that we may seek those things which are above,
where he reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit
one God, now and for ever.

Diary for the Week

Sunday 13 th	10.30am	Parish Communion (JRC with Guest Preacher Sally Lynch)
	12.00noon	Couples Sunday Lunch at Red Lion
	3.45pm	Baptism at Elstow of Erin Stokes (JRC)
	6.30pm	Evensong (JRC)
	7.45pm	Pastoral meeting
Monday 14 th	8.30am	Morning Prayer at Cardington
	10.00am	Toddlers and Tea in Church Hall
	2.00pm	Prayer group meet in Summer House
	4.30pm	Abbey Middle Governors meeting
Tuesday 15 th	8.30am	Morning Prayer at Cardington
	10.00am	Mums and Toddlers at St Michaels
	11.00am	Baptism interview at rectory
	4.00pm	Dance class in Elstow Church Hall
	8.00pm	May festival meeting at rectory
Wednesday 16 th	8.30am	Morning Prayer at Cardington
	11.30am	Coffee morning and Soup in Hall
	6.30pm	Youth Club
	8.00pm	Wedding interview at Rectory
Thursday 17 th	8.30am	Morning Prayer at Cardington
	11.00am	Holy Communion service at Elstow (JRC)
	12.30pm	Cardington Soup
	6.00pm	John Bunyan Governors meeting
	7.00pm	Wedding rehearsal at Elstow Abbey for Ian Johnson and Alison Roffe (JRC)
	8.00pm	Team Council meeting at Elstow
Friday 18 th	8.30am	Morning Prayer at Cardington
	8.00pm	Bell Ringing
Saturday 19 th	2.00pm	Wedding Blessing for Ian Johnson and Alison Roffe (JRC)

Next Sunday

20th April 2008,

Fifth Sunday of Easter

10.00am	Family Communion (JRC)
11.15am	Morning Prayer (Matins Group)
6.30pm	Evensong (David Wells)

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- **Abbey Choir Vacancies** both junior 7 years+ and adults. Interested? Come and meet the choir at one of the recruitment practice dates: 11/4, 18/4, 9/5, 16/5 between 7-8pm. More information email Director of Music Stephen McDonald – stevetmcdonald@btinternet.com
- **May Festival** is Sat 10th May 12-4pm, parade at 2pm. **Volunteers needed.** Stalls available £7.50 each. FOC for charities. Help needed to move the carriage. Please speak to Jeremy or Barbara if you can help in any way. 8pm Tues 15th Apr in Rectory is a meeting for all involved.
- **St Michael's Mums and Toddlers** on Tuesdays 10-11.30am in St Michael's church, each week.
- **Thursday Lunch** usually the 1st Thursday of the month after the communion service, at the Red Lion Pub, from 12 noon. **Next date 1st May.** 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 2nd Sunday of each month. Sunday roast, dessert and coffee. Price TBC. 1st date will be TODAY.
- **Dance Club** Tuesdays 4-6pm in the church hall. Starts 1st 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.
- **Sing 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.