

## Notices and Future Events

- **If you work with Young People @ Elstow Abbey all CRB checks need to be updated. Please ring 08709090844 for a form, then give all your details to Margaret Baron for checking and sending off.**
- **Luton Male Voice Choir Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2009 at 7.00pm** at Elstow Abbey Church, there will be refreshments during the interval.
- **Please Note: The date has changed for PCC meeting to 26<sup>th</sup> March '09**
- **Monthly Thursday Lunch group** The Red Lion is undergoing refurbishment. Next date March 5<sup>th</sup> hopefully at the Red Lion
- **Community Resettlement Support Project** looking to recruit & train volunteers to provide befriending support to men aged 21+ who prepare to be released from HMP Bedford contact Rob Burton 07940211527.
- **Groups in the area who meet once a month South Side Chapter;** meets in the afternoon of the last Wednesday of the month. Also **Chapter Two;** a new group meeting on the last Tuesday of the month at 7.45pm. New members welcome, a chance to meet new people in your area. Please contact Rachel Kirkham on 01234 314093 for details
- **Cheques for the Parish Holiday to 'Revd J. Crocker Expense Acc.'**
- **Pantomime 1<sup>st</sup> March 12.30-5pm** help needed to prepare scenery, costumes for pantomime. Free lunch at 12.30pm provided in Hall. **Pantomime one-off performance** on 8<sup>th</sup> March 4.30pm @ Elstow Abbey, followed by free Bring and Share Supper in the Hall All Welcome.

JRC Day Off: Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2009

Church Wardens Contact details: Colin Albon 01234 407084 & Barbara Routledge 01234 854369. Wedding/ Baptism Bookings/enquiries or Notices for weekly Bulletin to Samantha Nagel, Tuesday and Thursdays at the Rectory – 01234 261477.

### Please Pray For:

Recently Deceased: 'Rene Mallett



## **THE ABBEY CHURCH OF ST MARY AND ST HELENA, ELSTOW *Part of the Elstow Team***

We extend a warm welcome to everyone today

### **Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2009 The Sunday Next Before Lent**

10.00am	Young People's Service (JEH)
Banns:	(3 <sup>rd</sup> ) 04/04/09 2pm; John McCarthy and Kelly Evans (E) (3 <sup>rd</sup> ) 25/04/09 12noon; Adam Bishop (E) and Jennifer Davies (E)
11.15am	Holy Communion (JRC) with Baptism of Daisy Guile
Hymns:	NEH: 234, 286, 178, 440
3.30pm	Pantomime Rehearsal in the Church
6.30pm	Evensong with Holy Communion and the Laying on of Hands for Healing (JRC)
Hymns:	NEH: 494, 414, 427, 251 Psalm 50 vs 1-6

### **COLLECT**

Almighty Father,  
whose Son was revealed in majesty  
before he suffered death upon the cross:  
give us grace to perceive his glory,  
that we may be strengthened to suffer with him  
and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory;  
who liveth and reigneth with thee,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. AMEN

**Diary for the Week**

Sunday	10.00am	Young People's Service (JEH)
22 <sup>nd</sup>	11.15am	Holy Communion (JRC) with the Baptism of Daisy Guile
	3.30pm	Pantomime Rehearsal @ Church
	6.30pm	Evensong with the Laying on of Hands for Healing (JRC)
Monday	10.00am	Mums and Toddlers at Church Hall
23 <sup>rd</sup>	2.00pm	Prayer Group meet at Summerhouse
	6-7.30pm	Youth Alpha @ 324 Church Lane, Cardington
Tuesday	10.00am	Baptism Interview @ Vicarage
24 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Sing and Sign in the Church Hall
	1.00pm	Wedding Interview @ Elstow Abbey
	8.00pm	Adult beginners Bible study 7 @ Elstow Vicarage – all welcome
Wednesday	11.30am	Coffee Morning & soup @ Church Hall
25 <sup>th</sup>	1.00pm	Great Barford School to Elstow Abbey
	6-7.30pm	Youth Club Swimming
	7.30pm	Ash Wednesday Communion & Ashing (JRC)
	8.45pm	Wedding Interview @ Vicarage
Thursday	11.00am	Holy Communion (JRC)
26 <sup>th</sup>	6-7pm	Yoga @ Church Hall
	7.00pm	JRC @ John Bunyan School Governors meeting
Friday	8.00pm	Bell Ringing
27 <sup>th</sup>		
Saturday		Elstow Clean Up
28 <sup>th</sup>	7.00pm	Luton Male Voice Choir @ Elstow Abbey

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2009****Ash Wednesday**

7.30pm Holy Communion (JRC)  
Hymns: NEH: 67, 65, 358, 445, 449

**COLLECT**

Almighty and everlasting God, who hatest nothing that thou hast made and dost forgive the sins of all them that are penitent: create and make in us new and contrite hearts that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. AMEN.

**Next Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2009****The First Sunday of Lent**

10.00am Holy Communion (JRC)

11.15am Morning Prayer (JRC)

12.30-5pm Preparation for Pantomime

6.30pm Evensong (JRC)

**Future Dates for your diary**

- Diocesan trip to Taize 19<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> July 2009. *Details due in the next edition of the Parish magazine.*

- Parish holiday to the Isle of Wight 9<sup>th</sup> August – 15<sup>th</sup> August. *Details are in this edition of the Parish Magazine*

- Greenbelt festival 28<sup>th</sup> August – 31<sup>st</sup> August ref David Wells. *Details are in this edition of the Parish Magazine*