

Notices and Future Events

- **Annual Vestry Meeting and ARCM** is on Thursday in the Church Hall 23rd April @ 7.30pm. If anyone on the Electoral role would like to stand for the PCC Church warden or Deputy warden please speak to Glynis for a form on 403533.
- **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.
- **Cheques for the Parish Holiday to 'Revd J. Crocker Expense Acc.'**
- **Bedford Choral Society and Bedford Sinfonia** will perform J.S. Bach's St. John Passion at the Bedford Corn Exchange at 7.30pm on Saturday, March 21st 2009. Tickets from Bedford Box Office (01234 269519) or from Chris Knell (01234 214140). Student and concession tickets are available. Other prices: £12 or £15.
- **Pantomime one-off performance** on 8th March 4.30pm @ Elstow Abbey, followed by free Bring and Share Supper in the Hall All Welcome.
- **Please note there is no electricity in Elstow village on Tuesday 10th March and Wednesday 18th March between 8.30am-4.30pm.**
- **Please Note: The date has changed for PCC meeting to 26th March'09**
- **Monthly Lunch Club** is at the Red Lion on 2nd April at 12noon.
- **Sealed Knot 5th April** 11-4.30pm on the Moot Hall green. Help needed to sell programmes, tickets/car parking. Please speak to Clive Arnold or Jeremy.
- **Benefice Coach outing with Stephen to Coventry Saturday 2nd May 2009** please put your names down if you would like to come, list is at the back of the church.
- **Church of England Children's society** Boxes need to go to Margaret for emptying please.

JRC Day Off: Friday 13th March 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.



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

We extend a warm welcome to everyone today

Sunday 8th March 2009 **The Second Sunday of Lent**

10.00am	Holy Communion (JRC) with the Baptism of Isabella Rose Sanderson
Hymns:	SoF: 513, 107, 395, 512, Anthem – My dear redeemer and my Lord, 32
2-4.00pm	Final dress rehearsal
4.30pm	Performance of Jackie and her Beanstalk
5-6.00pm	Bring and Share Supper in the Church Hall
6.30pm	Evensong (JRC)
Hymns:	NEH: 476, 76, 382, 250 Psalm 22 vs 1-6

COLLECT

Almighty God,
who showest to them that be in error the light of thy truth,
to the intent that they may return into the way of righteousness:
grant unto all them that are admitted
into the fellowship of Christ's religion,
that they may eschew those things
that are contrary to their profession,
and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same;
though our Lord Jesus Christ,
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 8 th	10.00am	Holy Communion (JRC) with the Baptism of Isabella Rose Sanderson
	2-4.00pm	Final dress rehearsal
	4.30pm	Performance of Jack and the Beanstalk
	5-6.00pm	Bring and Share Supper in the Church Hall
	6.30pm	Evensong (JRC)
Monday 9 th	10.00am	Mums and Toddlers at Church Hall
	2.00pm	Prayer Group meet at Summerhouse
	6-7.30pm	Youth Alpha course @ St Mary's, Cardington
Tuesday 10 th	7.30-9pm	Lent Course 2 – St Mary's, Cardington.
	10.00am	Sing and Sign in the Church Hall
	1.45pm	Cremation of Joan Evelyn Turner
	5.30pm	Wedding interview @ Rectory
	7.30pm	Parish Council
	8.00pm	London Road Churches Together Prayer group
Wednesday 11 th	9.45am	Clergy chapter @ St. Paul's, Bedford
	11.30am	Coffee Morning & soup @ Church Hall
	1.15am	Burial of ashes of Rene Mallett
	5.45pm	Younger Youth Club meet at St. Mary's, Cardington – night hike
	6.30pm	Older Youth Group meet at St. Mary's, Cardington – night hike
Thursday 12 th	8.15pm	Abbey Middle meeting @ Red Lion
	11.00am	Holy Communion (JRC)
	5.30pm	Wedding interview @ Rectory
	6-7pm	Yoga @ Church Hall
	6.30pm	Youth worker review @ Hinsons
Friday 13 th	8.00pm	Finance and Standing Committee @ Hinsons
	8.00pm	Bell Ringing
Saturday 14 th	5.00pm	High Tea @ the Rectory to celebrate Mr Peter Moss' 80 th Birthday

Next Sunday 15th March 2009

The Third Sunday of Lent

10.00am	Holy Communion (JRC) with the Baptism of Anthony Honeybourne JR
11.15am	Morning Prayer (Group)
6.30pm	Evensong (JRC)

Future Dates for your diary

- Diocesan trip to Taize 19th – 26th July 2009. *Details due in the next edition of the Parish magazine.*
- Parish holiday to the Isle of Wight 9th August – 15th August. *Details are in this edition of the Parish Magazine*
- Greenbelt festival 28th August – 31st August ref David Wells. *Details are in this edition of the Parish Magazine*
- Lent Courses: Faith, Hope and Love. March 2nd 7.30pm at St. Michael's
March 9th 7.30pm at St Mary's
March 16th 7.30pm at Elstow Church Hall
March 23rd 7.30pm at St. Michael's

Please Pray For:

Recently Deceased: Bridget Farrell, Joan Turner