

## Notices and Future Events

- **Can you help?** Please see the letter at the back of church and fill in, if you are interested in helping at church.
- **Monthly Lunch** will be on Jan 7<sup>th</sup> at noon at The Red Lion
- **Pantomime First Rehearsal January 10<sup>th</sup> at 4pm** for those involved at the **Church Hall** (correction to original venue)
- **New Church Hall** – Jan 10<sup>th</sup> will be the launch of the church's involvement in fundraising for the new Hall. There will be a video presentation & talk by Jeremy at all services.
- **Youth Vision Meeting 11<sup>th</sup> January** All adults are invited to a Youth Vision meeting at the vicarage.
- **17<sup>th</sup> January - No morning services at the Abbey**, as we will join Elstow Bunyan Christian Fellowship at **11am** to mark the beginning of their 100 years celebration
- **Parish Holidays-** Details of holidays in Feb Parish Magazine
- **Further Joint PCC Meeting** – St Michael's 7.30pm 19<sup>th</sup> Jan
- **Hall Plans** – A decision on the planning permission for the new Hall is expected very shortly.
- **Did you respond? A message from Adam May, Project Coordinator of the Bedford Street Angels** - Recently, I visited your church to share with you the exciting new initiatives which Bedford Street Angels are engaged in. There are a number of people who expressed an interest in finding out more and I would be keen to make contact with each of you. I would love to share a coffee with you to discuss more about how you might be able to help. Please do drop me an email - [adam@bedfordstreetangels.org.uk](mailto:adam@bedfordstreetangels.org.uk) or telephone me on 07532 371 311. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

JRC day off: Friday 8<sup>th</sup> and Friday 15<sup>th</sup> Jan

Church Wardens Contact details: Tracey Hinson 01234 406061 & Barbara Routledge 01234 854369. Wedding/ Baptism Bookings/enquiries or Notices on **Wednesdays** at the Rectory – 01234 261477.



## **THE ABBEY CHURCH OF ST MARY AND ST HELENA, ELSTOW**

We extend a warm welcome to everyone today

**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2009**

### **The Second Sunday of Christmas**

10.00am Holy Communion (JRC) with Sunday School  
Hymns: SoF: 457, 24, 31, 314  
11.15am Mattins Group (JRC)  
Hymns: NEH: 234, 55, 336, 36, 388 Psalm 132 vs 1-7  
6.30pm Evensong (JRC)  
Hymns: NEH: 47, 49, 40, 52, 466 Psalm 98 vs 1-6

#### **COLLECT for 03.01.10**

Almighty God, who in the birth of thy Son  
Hast poured upon us the new light of thine incarnate Word  
And revealed to us the fullness of thy love:  
Help us so to walk in his light and dwell in his love  
That we may know the fullness of his joy;  
Who liveth and reigneth with thee,  
In the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
One God, now and for ever.

#### **COLLECT for 10.01.10**

Eternal Father,  
Who at the baptism of Jesus  
Didst reveal him to be thy Son,  
Anointing him with the Holy Spirit:  
Grant that we, being born again by water and the Spirit,  
May be faithful to our calling as thine adopted children;  
Through Jesus Christ by Son our Lord,  
Who liveth and reigneth with thee,  
In the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
One God, now and for ever.

## Diary for the Weeks

Monday	8.30am	Morning Prayer @ Cardington
4 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 am	<b>NO Mums and Toddlers</b>
	2.00pm	Prayer Group in Summerhouse
Tuesday	8.30am	Morning Prayer @ Cardington
5 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Sing and Sign in the Church Hall
	7.30pm	Elstow Parish Council Meeting
Wednesday	8.30am	Morning Prayer @ Cardington
6 <sup>th</sup>	11.30am	Coffee morning followed by soup
	5.45-8pm	Youth Club
	8.00pm	Team Bible Study @ Cardington
Thursday	8.30am	Morning Prayer @ Cardington
7 <sup>th</sup>	11.00am	Holy Communion
	12 noon	Monthly Lunch @ The Red Lion
	6-7pm	Yoga @ Church Hall
Friday	8.30am	Morning Prayer @ Cardington
8 <sup>th</sup>	7.15-8pm	Choir Practice
	8.00pm	Bell Ringing
Saturday	8.30am	Morning Prayer @ Cardington
9 <sup>th</sup>		

## DECEASED – Amanda Carroll

### Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> January – The First Sunday of Epiphany

10.00am	Holy Communion (JRC) with Launch of Fundraising for Church Hall + Sunday School
Hymns:	SoF: 51, 22, 79, 42, 127
4-5pm	Pantomime Rehearsal at the Church Hall
6.30pm	Evensong (JRC) with Launch of Fundraising for Church Hall
Hymns:	NEH: 55, 349, 294, 295, 248 Psalm 46 Vs.1-6

Monday	10am	Mums and Toddlers in Church Hall
11 <sup>th</sup>	2.00pm	Prayer Group meet in Summerhouse
Tuesday	8.30am	Morning Prayer @ Cardington
12 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Sing and Sign in the Church Hall
	6.30pm	Abbey Governors Meeting
Wednesday	8.30am	Morning Prayer @ Cardington
13 <sup>th</sup>	11.30am	Coffee Morning followed by soup
	5pm	Licensing – Jonathan Osbourne @ St Pauls Cathedral (JRC)
	5.45-8pm	Youth Club
	8.00pm	Team Bible Study @ St Mary's
Thursday	8.30am	Morning Prayer @ Cardington
14 <sup>th</sup>	11.00am	Holy Communion (JRC)
	7.45pm	South Bedford Churches Together Fish and Chips supper @ London Road Methodist
	6-7pm	Yoga @ Church Hall
Friday	8.30am	Morning Prayer @ Cardington
15 <sup>th</sup>	7.15-8pm	Choir Practice
	8.00pm	Bell Ringing
Saturday	8.30am	Morning Prayer @ Cardington
16 <sup>th</sup>		