

## Notices and Future Events

- **Lent Course** – at London Rd Methodist Church every Tuesday in Lent at 7.30pm.
- **Bucket of pennies for Lent** – A bucket will hopefully go around all three churches at each of the Sunday services in Lent to support WaterAID and to help the people of Haiti.
- **Proposed Spring Sale 27<sup>th</sup> March** – cancelled
- **Workshop for Palm Sunday** – will be on the Saturday before (27<sup>th</sup> March) 2-4pm in the Church Hall.
- **Kiddycraft** – this is a new group which will start on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> April and every Thursday then from 1.30-2.30p.m. in the Church Hall with arts and crafts for pre-schoolers and their parents/carers.
- **Confirmation Classes** – will be on Mondays from 12<sup>th</sup> April for six weeks at St Michael's Church, plus rehearsal and actual confirmation. Children 5-6pm and adults 6.30-8pm
- **Dance Classes** – will start again at Elstow Church Hall on Wednesday from 2<sup>nd</sup> June, 4-15-5.30pm
- **Friends trip to Southill Park** – A date for your diaries! This trip will be on 8<sup>th</sup> June, meeting here at 2pm and car share to Southill Park for a lovely visit. The cost will be £10 per person and there are 40 places on this trip.
- **Parish Holidays-** Details of holidays in Feb/March Parish Magazine and also at back of church

JRC Days Off: Fri 12<sup>th</sup> & Fri 19<sup>th</sup> March

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 7<sup>th</sup> March 2010 The Third Sunday of Lent

- 10.00am Holy Communion + Sunday School (JRC)  
11.15am Mattins (JRC)  
6.30pm: Evensong (JRC)

#### **COLLECT for 07.03.10**

Almighty God,  
Whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he  
suffered pain,  
And entered not into glory before he was crucified:  
Mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross,  
May find it none other than the way of life and peace;  
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.

#### **COLLECT for 14.03.10**

Merciful God, whose Son Jesus Christ, the Son of Mary,  
Shared the life of a home in Nazareth  
And on the cross drew the whole human family to himself:  
Strengthen us in our daily lives that in joy and sorrow  
We may know the power of thy presence to bind together  
and heal;  
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.

## Diary for the Weeks

Monday 8 <sup>th</sup>	8.30am	Morning Prayer @ Cardington
	10am	Mums & Toddlers in Church Hall
	2.00pm	Prayer Group in Summerhouse
	6.30pm	Wedding interview @ the vicarage
	7.30pm	Youth Leaders meeting @ the vicarage
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup>	8.30am	Morning Prayer @ Cardington
	11am	Baptism interview @ the vicarage
	1.30-2.30pm	Sing and Sign in the Church Hall
	6.30pm	Wedding interview @ the vicarage
	7.30pm	Lent Course @ London Rd Methodist Church
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup>	8.30am	Morning Prayer @ Cardington
	11.30am	Coffee morning followed by soup
	1.50pm	Clergy meeting @ the vicarage
	5.45-8pm	Youth Club – Mother's Day Crafts
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup>	8.00pm	Team Bible Study @ Cardington
	8.30am	Morning Prayer @ Cardington
	11.00am	Holy Communion (JRC)
	2.15pm	Wedding interview
	3.15pm	Funeral of Barbara Tomlinson @ Church of the Transfiguration, Kempston
	6-7pm	Yoga @ Church Hall
	8pm	Finance & Standing @ the Vicarage
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup>	8.30am	Morning Prayer @ Cardington
	7.15pm	Choir Practice
	8.00pm	Bell Ringing
Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup>	8.30am	Morning Prayer @ Cardington

## DECEASED – Barbara Tomlinson

### Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> March – Mothering Sunday

<b>10.30am</b>	<b>Joint Mothering Sunday Holy Communion (JRC). No Sunday School</b>
6.30pm	Evensong (JRC)

Monday 15 <sup>th</sup>	8.30am	Morning Prayer @ Cardington
	10am	Mums and Toddlers in Church Hall
	1pm	JRC Meeting with New Hall architect
	2.00pm	Prayer Group meet in Summerhouse
	8pm	Liturgy Meeting @ the vicarage
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup>	8.30am	Morning Prayer @ Cardington
	1.30-2.30pm	Sing and Sign in the Church Hall
	7.30pm	Lent Course @ London Road Methodist Church
	7.30pm	Elstow Parish council Meeting
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup>	8.30am	Morning Prayer @ Cardington
	11.30am	Coffee Morning followed by soup
	1.30-3.15pm	Team Clergy Meeting @ Vicarage
	5.45-8pm	Youth Club – St Patrick's Day Party
	8.00pm	Team Bible Study @ St Mary's
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup>	8.30am	Morning Prayer @ Cardington
	11.00am	Holy Communion (JRC)
	1pm	JRC to Church House (EIAG)
	6-7pm	Yoga @ Church Hall
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup>	8.30am	Morning Prayer @ Cardington
	7.15pm	Choir Practice
	8.00pm	Bell Ringing
Sat 20 <sup>th</sup>	8.30am	Morning Prayer @ Cardington