

Notices and Future Events

- Church of England collection boxes have been emptied and are at the back of church to be collected. There are also some extra boxes if new people want to take a collection box to collect on behalf of the Children's Society.
- Bible reading notes-New Daylight-are published by the Bible Reading Fellowship three times a year in May, September and January. The daily reading plan and comments offer an accessible way of looking at the Bible. The annual subscription is £10.05. Cheques payable to Elstow Abbey PCC to be returned to Rita Haines at Church or to 107 Fenlake Road, Bedford MK42 0EU.
- 29th April at 3pm all are welcome to the Cardington V Elstow Cricket Match, to be held on the Moot Hall Green. (NOTE CHANGE OF DATE)
- Tues 11th – Sat 15th April the Luton Youth Music Theatre present Les Miserables at Luton 6th Form College. Tickets £9.50 or £7.50 concessions. Details/tickets from Graham Weeks 01234 768090.
- Saturday 13th May – One day seminar - Hidden Treasures at Marston Forest Centre starting at 9.30am. The aim of the course is to develop a Ministry of Welcome. If you are interested and want to attend please speak to Rev Jeremy Crocker.
- Elstow May Festival Saturday 20th from 11-4pm. Volunteers needed to help with delivering leaflets, running stalls, teas, coffees etc. Please see Jeremy Crocker for more details of how you can help.
- IOW for 2006. Dates are Sunday 23rd July to Saturday 29th July. Full details are at the back of Church, extra details available from Diana Hill.
- Taize Trip:29/7/06-7/8/06 for 15-30 yr olds. Information meetings are on 1/4/06 at St Andrews Bedford 7.30pm & 4/6/06 at St Michaels Hatfield 6pm. Further details from Rev Ysmena Pentalow 01438 315688, pentelow@waitrose.com /Rev Philippa Segrave-Pride 01707 882276 philippa@segrave-pride.freeserve.co.uk & www.stalbans-taize.org.uk

Jeremy Crocker: Day Off: Friday 14th April
Wedding Bookings/enquiries or Notices for weekly Bulletin to Diana Hill,
Tuesday or Thursday 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 9th April Palm Sunday

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| 11.00am | Parish Communion with Procession to the Green (Jeremy Crocker) |
| Hymns: | NEH: 238, 353, 272, 276, 339 |
| Banns: | 29 th April: Jamie Hammond & Carrie-Anne Fossey 12 th May: Spencer Digby & Kirsty Ames |
| 3.00pm | Baptism of Owen Titchmarch at Elstow Abbey |
| 6.30pm | Evensong (Jeremy Crocker) |
| Hymns: | NEH: 436, 240, 113, 368, 114 |

COLLECT

Almighty and everlasting God,
who in your tender love towards the human race
sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ
to take upon him our flesh
and to suffer death upon the cross:
grant that we may follow the example of his patience and humility,
and also be made partakers of his resurrection;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Diary for this week

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| Sunday 9 th | 11.00am | Parish Communion with procession the Green (Jeremy Crocker) |
| | 3.00pm | Baptism of Owen Titchmarch at Elstow Abbey |
| | 6.30pm | Evensong (Jeremy Crocker) |
| Monday 10 th | 8.30am | Morning Prayer at Cardington |
| | 7.00pm | Prayer Group in the Summerhouse |
| | 7.45pm | Bereavement Supervision in Church Hall |
| Tuesday 11 th | 8.30am | Morning Prayer at Cardington |
| Wednesday 12 th | 8.30am | Morning Prayer at Cardington |
| | 9.00am | Morning Prayer at St Michael's |
| | 11.30am | Coffee Morning in Church Hall |
| | 6.30pm | Choir Practice |
| Thursday 13 th | 8.30am | Morning Prayer at Cardington |
| | 11.00am | Holy Communion Maundy Thursday Service (Jeremy Crocker) |
| | 12.30pm | Cardington Soup |
| | 2.30pm | Organist Meeting |
| Friday 14 th | 8.30am | Morning Prayer at Cardington |
| | 8.00pm | Bellringing |
| Saturday 15 th | | |

Maundy Thursday

Collect

God our Father, you have invited us to share in the supper which your Son gave to his Church to proclaim his death until he comes: may he nourish us by his presence, and unite us in his love; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Good Friday

Next Sunday

16th April, Easter Day

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| 10.30am | Family Communion (Jeremy Crocker) |
| 6.30pm | Evensong (Jeremy Crocker) |

Monthly Guest Preachers at Elstow

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| 30 th April 11.00am | Rev Mike Norton (Previous Vicar of Elstow 1976-1982) |
| 14 th May 6.30pm | Rev Brian Trudgen (Chair SBCC) |
| 21 st May 5pm | Larry Wright (Chaplin at Yarlswood Centre) Preacher at the Friends Annual Evensong Service |

Please pray for:

The Sick: Ron Chapple, Amy Betts, Bay Gautrey,
Peter Moss

The recently Deceased: