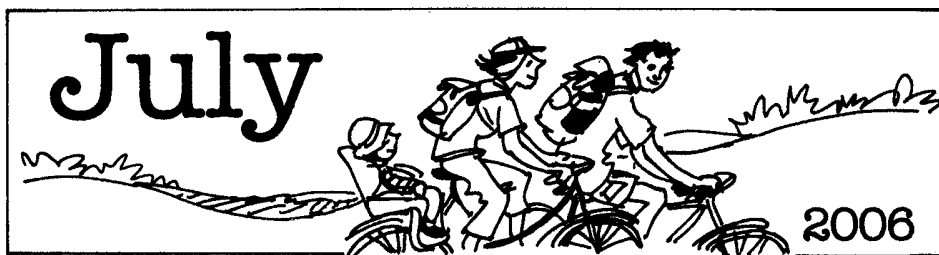


ELSTOW PARISH MAGAZINE



TEAM SPIRIT

[This article first appeared in the Cardington Parish Magazine in June and has been adapted.]

Four years ago, on a sunny Thursday afternoon, I was thinking about tea (tuna and pasta, to be precise), and I was poised to chop an onion when the phone rang: “Good afternoon, this is Beds on Sunday: will you be praying for David Beckham’s foot?”. My heart beat hard as I tried to answer this spur-of-the-moment question, and hoped that what I said wouldn’t look too ridiculous in print. The result was a very kind report on an open-air Anglican/Methodist service which combined the Queen’s Golden Jubilee with England’s first World Cup football match in Korea/Japan.

As the newspapers counted down the days to England’s opening match in Frankfurt against Paraguay on June 10th (Paraguay, you will remember, scored more goals than England, but England won.....), one doesn’t need to be a genius to guess what will dominate media attention right up to the final whistle, in Berlin on July 9th. Will England repeat their triumph of 40 years ago?

The apostle Paul, in his writing, sometimes used the imagery of physical training, athletics and boxing to describe the commitment needed for the Christian path, and, when we learn that the Roman Empire paused every four years for the Olympic Games, it is easy to see that great enthusiasm for sporting endeavour and victory is not a new phenomenon. Sport often draws on religious terminology to fire up its participants. Managers talk of “team spirit”, and “charismatic” or “inspired” players, and of “sacrifices” needed to reach the top. “No gain without pain” is a familiar mantra from those aspiring to excellence.

“Team Spirit” for the Christian Church was to make its appearance at Pentecost which we celebrated this year at the beginning of June; this day is really the birth day of the Church. After Jesus’ departure, his followers hung about Jerusalem not knowing what to do next. Jews from throughout the world were gathered to celebrate this major feast in their calendar. In an instant the apostles received the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, miraculously enabling their speech to be understood by members of all nations in Jerusalem (read Acts Chapter 2). For the first time an international audience listens to the story of Jesus. The Church as we know it begins here. We are part of that same spirit and story, a story which will continue to be told.

The bookies are not optimistic about an England victory in that final in Berlin. There is a strange symmetry in the metatarsal foot injury of a star player four years ago and today. As yet no newspaper has enquired about my prayerful support for Wayne Rooney. However, may our birthday feast of Pentecost and World Cup football give us excitement, challenge and pleasure for all the teams we are supporting.

Stephen Smith

EDITORIAL

Jeremy and Bookworm between them, and perhaps inadvertently, last month indirectly raised one of the central dilemmas which can face Christians. If, in what follows, the masculine is used, it is purely for ease of expression: it applies every bit as much to women.

A man finds himself in a position to establish the whereabouts and timing of, and therefore prevent, a murderous assault by questioning a captive whom he knows to be a party to this imminent outrage. He also knows that simple verbal questioning will not elicit the information he needs.

The dilemma stems from the fact that the man is a Christian.

- Because he must love his neighbour, he must not harm the captive.
- Because he must love his neighbours-in-the-plural, he must oblige his captive to talk.
- His captive will not volunteer information.
- His captive might, but not “will”, reveal something under duress.

What is the man to do?

There is no-one, Christian or non-Christian, who does not have a view on this dilemma. My own view is very confused, having been on the receiving end of terrorist activity. What is yours?

Assisted Dying for the Terminally Ill Bill, 12th May 2006

The Bishop of St Albans has issued a call for the Diocese to sign a petition to oppose moves to legalise assisted suicide in England and Wales.

I read Alice in Wonderland when I was far too young. I remember even now how much I disliked it: all those things suddenly changing shape, flamingos becoming croquet mallets and the irrational tyranny of the Queen of Hearts. It was the stuff of nightmares. Ever since, I have been wary when Lewis Carroll's methods are used by other people to try to achieve their ends. It was Humpty Dumpty in ‘Through the Looking-Glass’ who said: "When I use a word . . . it means just what I choose it to mean".

The Bill is a classic example of that. For example, it is said that this Bill is of the same nature as previous Bills. It is not at all. I served on the Select Committee-which was a huge privilege-and we spent far more time looking at euthanasia than we did at assisted suicide. I am sure that, had we thought that this would be a different Bill that was just about suicide, we would have called in evidence from experts in that kind of field. We did not. This Bill is not of the same nature.

This Bill seeks to legalise assisted dying, which of course sounds enormously compassionate; but in reality it is about assisted suicide for the terminally ill.

We should be clear what it is but, more importantly, we should ask why euphemisms always surround this Bill. Why are we not being absolutely straight with each other about what the Bill entails? The organisation that is one of the driving forces behind the Bill used to call itself the Voluntary Euthanasia Society, but now, of course, it has changed its name to Dignity in Dying, which seems to imply that there is only one dignified way to die-by euthanasia or assisted suicide. The organisation has taken a phrase that is used in palliative care and by the hospice movement and has turned it around to mean the exact opposite of what it originally meant:

"'When I use a word,' Humpty Dumpty said . . . 'it means just what I choose it to mean'".

The Bill's proponents, again by a Lewis Carroll-ish sleight of hand, argue that it is all about personal autonomy. But personal autonomy is fundamentally anarchic. It places the individual in a solipsistic universe and fails to recognise that we human beings flourish only in our relationships with one another. But this Bill would give me the legal right to require and demand of a doctor that he or she provides me with a means to kill myself. There are those who talk about this as a therapeutic option-what kind of twist in language is that? It is like saying: "This is not a flamingo, this is a croquet mallet". It is not at all difficult to see how the apparent surface meaning given to human rights could be shifted. It is not impossible to imagine in the future a harrowing case whereby an individual choosing to try to commit suicide was then unable to do so. Then there would be arguments that that person's human rights had been infringed and a more humane way should be found. Lo and behold, euthanasia would then be back on the agenda.

We are told that this is about one group imposing beliefs on another. I suppose that if that is said often enough and loudly enough people will believe it. It is simply not the case. This is about debate and I relish debate, but I think that this is a Lewis Carroll-ish Bill, because it is morally confused yet so chillingly plausible-and as a result, I shall vote against it.

The Rt Revd Christopher Herbert

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News and events from the Diocese of St Albans and the Church of England

Bishop's Harvest Appeal 2006

Last year, parishes and schools raised over £50,000 for our harvest appeal for Bangladesh. For this year's Bishop's Harvest Appeal, the Diocese is going to be supporting TEDDO, part of the Anglican Church in Uganda and a Christian Aid partner. This year as part of our 'Seeds of Peace' appeal there is an expanded array of resources, which are being sent both to our parishes and schools.

For more information e-mail: jonathan.ellis@stalbans.anglican.org.

Visitors at St Albans Cathedral

St Albans Cathedral has made several recent enhancements to its building that will improve the experience of worshippers and visitors alike. A recent thanksgiving service at the Cathedral marked the completion of a platform lift to make the Shrine of St Alban wheel chair accessible. Concealed within a new stone platform and ceremonial steps, the platform lift complements its ancient surroundings. The service was also a thanksgiving for the cleaning of the stonework of the 14th century Lady Chapel and a musical tribute to the recently restored carillon, or mechanically operated set of bells, which had lied silent for 25 years. The carillon plays seven tunes, one for each day of the week, at 9am, 12noon, 3pm, 6pm, and 9pm.

Agricultural Chaplain for Bedfordshire

The Revd Monica Robinson, curate at St Andrew's, Bedford has been appointed Agricultural Chaplain for Bedfordshire. Monica is only too well aware of the issues facing farming, coming from a long line of what she describes as "family farmers who somehow have managed to survive, often it seems against the odds". The Archdeacon of Bedford, the Ven Paul Hughes said, "This appointment is extremely exciting because Monica has such a close interest in farming in Bedfordshire and will therefore be able to built on the wonderful work of her predecessor, the Revd David Quin"

Cathedrals continue to reach upwards

Attendance levels at regular weekly services in Church of England cathedrals have risen by a total of 21 per cent since the turn of the millennium. Encouraging figures released recently show that at Sunday services alone, 15,800 adults and 2,500 children and young people are usually present in the country's cathedrals, while over the whole week the figures rise to 24,300 and 6,600 respectively. Cathedrals are key places of daily Christian worship outside Sundays, attracting a further 50 per cent of adult attendees and more than doubling the number of children over the whole week.

Churches call for greater Government commitment to collective worship in schools

The country's main Churches have urged the Government to recognise the importance and support the place of daily collective worship in schools, stressing that school worship helps promote tolerance and understanding and prepares students for adult life by giving them an opportunity to express their spiritual nature. Leaders of each of the main Churches in England - including the Church of England, the Roman Catholic Church, the Methodist Church and the Baptist Church - have signed a joint letter addressed to the Secretary of State for Education and Skills, Alan Johnson MP, calling for a greater investment in training and resources for school staff charged with organising collective worship. Recent research based on OFSTED inspections has revealed that while the vast majority of primary schools manage to arrange daily Collective Worship, many secondary schools struggle to meet this legal obligation

Churches call on Government to strengthen religion mandate in BBC Charter

The Church of England and the Roman Catholic Church have called a stronger mandate for religion in the BBC Charter. They state that the Government's White Paper on the BBC's Charter fails to reflect the key role that is played by churches and faith communities in the nation's life. In its submission to the Government's final consultation on the BBC Charter Review, the C. of E. also warns that 'high quality' may become merely an option for BBC programmes under the new Charter. The C. of E. asks that the BBC Charter should acknowledge the all-embracing nature of religion in the BBC's purposes. The submission says that religion is "Too significant an area to be left to chance. The new Charter must make clear that there is a place for programmes where moral and ethical dilemmas are discussed. It must also make provision for the broadcast of religious services when the nation can come together at times of grief or celebration."

Making Sense of Generation Y

A revealing new book for all those with an interest in how the Church engages with young people. 'Making Sense of Generation Y' contains the results of research into the world view of 15-25 year-olds who have little or no connection with the Christian faith. It is based on interviews with 120 young people in 18 locations across the country. It also offers reflections on the implications for the way that the Church relates to young people. URL: <http://www.cofe.anglican.org/news/pr4606.html>

All-clear on pipe organs

The Church of England has welcomed a government commitment to "put an end to all this nonsense" that pipe organs should be subject to new regulations governing the disposal of hazardous substances. Speaking in Parliament last month, Minister for Energy, Malcolm Wicks, said the government's view was that pipe organs do not fall within the scope of the EU Restriction of Hazardous Substances Directive. The Minister said: "Our clear view is that pipe organs do not fall within the scope of the directive and that view is widely accepted in the European Commission."

Sources: <http://www.stalbans.anglican.org>

<http://www.parishpump.co.uk>

BOOK REVIEW

“Love on a Branch Line” by John Hadfield (Hutchinson – 1959, and later)

Being July, it is holiday time and so here is a (one-off) book which is perfect holiday reading.

I was, the other day, suffering from muscle fatigue and text-induced indigestion after my latest reviews and so decided to re-read this (lighter in every sense) book. You may not find it in your local bookshop, but you will find many inexpensive copies of it on the web (I have looked) and your library should be able to help. You may remember its brilliant BBC adaptation of 1994? This led to its re-issuing as an affordable and easily findable BBC Paperback.

Hadfield transports us into the timeless enchantment of distant rural England as we follow the progress of a young but rather priggish civil servant, Jasper Pye, whose self-esteem has just been dealt an unwitting but devastatingly final blow by his snooty Chelsea girl-friend. But, for all his furred umbrella, Jasper Pye is in fact a really rather attractive personality with just the right qualities to make the most of an unexpected and unwanted mission given to him to assess the viability of a remote and forgotten – and very unimportant – outpost of Whitehall. Having, as a consequence of overhearing his young lady’s damning *obiter dictum* about him, decided to resign from the Service to go and live as a painter in Paris, he takes on what to him is intended to be his last job with mixed feelings. Little does he know it, but a kindly and smiling Providence has ambushed him. He will not regret his reluctant decision.

Arcady Hall, where that outpost is located, is one of those old stately homes we would all love to live in. Its owner, the eccentric Earl of Flamborough who is railway mad (he lost both his legs in the general strike when a train ran over them), lives in a train of his own on the disconnected branch line which links the Hall and Arcady Village to the outside world. Utterly without regrets or self-pity, he energetically indulges his passion for railways, jazz and exotic cocktails in equal measure, wholly supported by his formidable botanist of a wife. They have three gorgeous daughters of contrasting beauty – and *mores* – the eldest of whom is not very happily married to Lionel Virley, the wastrel heir to the title.

The Whitehall Department of Output Statistics, run in the magnificent Hall by Professor Pollux, has gone on unchanged since the war years. He and his two staff members blend into the place with seamless ease to the point where Pollux has metamorphosed from a civil servant into the bailiff of the estate and can indulge his hobby as a cricket fanatic. Indeed, cricket, without being obtrusive, provides one of the threads which run through the book climaxing in the funniest account of a game that I have ever read (a vital and centenary inter-village blood match). It provides salvation, too, if any were needed, for our attitude to Lionel and, curiously, to Jasper.

The heart of the book is that there is not a malicious word in it anywhere. A wonderful kaleidoscope of characters hurtle through the pages giving the reader effortless delight. Its great joy is that it sees the good side of everyone and eschews all criticism (and, goodness me, we would stick a knife into the ever-tipsy Lionel if we were not in fact charmed by him). Grafted on to this happiness is an example of the English language which should be made a compulsory study topic for all students of the subject: Hadfield’s prose is a beautifully crafted pleasure.

“Love on a Branch Line” has everything. Action, love, romance, humour, pathos, beauty, atmosphere, intelligence, fabulous weather and sheer elegant Englishness. Everyone who adorns its pages finds happiness or redemption one way or another: even the villains are not wholly bad. In the best sense of the term, it is a “page-turner”. It’s right up at the top of my book list for my desert island.



Bookworm

BELL-RINGING NEWS

Bedford District Striking Competition: Saturday, June 10th 2006 at All Saints Riseley

The Bedford District of the Bedfordshire Association of Church Bell Ringers held its annual striking competition on the bells at All Saints Riseley on a very warm and sunny evening on Saturday, 10th June. Twelve teams, from Little Staughton, Goldington, Elstow, Oakley, St Paul's Bedford, Riseley, St Peters Bedford, St Andrews Bedford, Stagsden, Kempston, Sharnbrook, and Bromham participated.



Although the bells at Riseley are a little heavier and more difficult to ring than those at Elstow, of the four teams ringing rounds, we are pleased to report that Elstow again emerged as clear winners and retained the rounds cup - which was later presented to Miriam.

All Saints Kempston once again won the change ringing part of the competition and go forward with St Paul's Bedford to the Association finals in October. This was the eighth win for Elstow in the rounds competition over the past thirteen years, so next year we perhaps have to be more adventurous and ring changes.

An excellent tea was served in the church while the competition was taking place and some of the team were confident enough to adjourn to a local pub for celebratory refreshment before the results were announced!

The Elstow winning band was as follows:

- 1 Miriam Clark
- 2 Rev Jeremy Crocker
- 3 Don MacFarlane
- 4 Barbara Routledge
- 5 Rev Stephen Smith
- 6 Stephen Stanford

And, on Sunday 11th June 2006, in 43 minutes a Quarter Peal - 1296 Cambridge Surprise Minor:

1. Sarah-Louise Ward
2. Ann Desics
3. Clifford W Izzard
4. Derek A Hammond
5. David I Stanford
6. Stephen H Stanford (Conductor)

First Quarter Peal of Cambridge S Minor - 2

Specially arranged to celebrate the 80th birthdays of Miriam Clark on 15th June and of Dorothy Stanford on 9th June 2006 - with best wishes.

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ENGLISH HISTORICAL MYTHS – An Occasional Series

TITUS OATES

Spurius Historicus, author of “*FAMOUS LITTLE-KNOWN PERSONAGES*”, was bound to come across this thoroughly unsavoury character at some point. He was, as we shall see, a “natural” for our blinkered royal historian.

Titus Oates was indeed famous to, and all-too-little known by, his contemporaries. To **Historicus** he was a hero not a villain: **Historicus**, you see, had come across a manuscript dated 1679 in the Windsor collection which stated in part: “*There hath been, and still is, a damnable and hellish plot contrived and carried out by Popish Recusants, for the assassination and murdering of the King (Charles II), and for subverting and rooting out and destroying the Protestant religion.*” Explaining away as a judicial error the fact that Oates ended up in the stocks and being publicly whipped for his pernicious and murderous perjury, **Historicus** got it into his head that the whole so-called Popish Plot of 1678 had been for real and that Oates had been most shamefully mistreated. “*A wonderful patriot this man was*” he blithely wrote, “*the heimtükisch (I think he means “dastardly”) Catholics desperate to have James (II) on the throne were: Sir Titus Oates (I have no idea where the “Sir” came from) heroically their verflucht (fiendish) plot foiled.*” He blunders on: “*Such greatness the true Englishman marks*”.

Well, he got one thing right in this excruciating aberration. Titus Oates was English, being born in Rutland of English parents. But that is as far as we can go along with **Historicus**. Indeed, I shudder to think what **Historicus** would have said if he had known even a tenth of the truth.

Let us have a look at the facts which were, had he but known where to find them, available to him. Oates was born in 1649, was expelled from The Merchant Taylors’ School, and smarmed his way unsuccessfully through Gonville and Caius College, Cambridge, before moving on to St John’s College whence he was sent down degree-less and in disgrace. Thereafter, his rackets life took him into holy orders (a standard refuge for rogues in those days) and then, *via* spells in prison for appalling behaviour (aided and abetted by his equally appalling father) into the navy which threw him out for sodomy, a capital offence, but spared his life because of his clerical status. He next became a Jesuit, training in Valladolid, before being rumbled but given another characteristically brief and abruptly terminated chance in their seminary of St Omer. After that, and back in London, he met up again with an extremely shady fellow-cleric, one Israel Tongue, and with him hatched the aforesaid Popish Plot, after conveniently re-converting to Anglicanism.

Historicus may have been misled at this point by the fact that Oates was subsequently granted an income by Parliament and widely fêted in London – before the balloon burst and all hell broke loose. Both laymen and clerics (Catholics, of course) were executed as a result of Oates’ mendacious subterfuges; there was panic on the streets of London; the monarchy had apparently been saved..... “*Judge Jefferies a dumm (stupid) and vindictive Frömmeler (bigot) was*” when he condemned Oates to be whipped, degraded, pilloried, and imprisoned for life. [Perhaps, and to be fair, **Historicus** was not so far off the mark where that infamous if noble judge was concerned.]

As a *post scriptum*, Oates was released when a change of monarchy came about after James II’s deposition – only to become a Baptist minister for as long as it took him to be defrocked for “a discreditable intrigue for wringing a legacy from a devotee”.

In 2006 Titus Oates was, in a BBC radio survey, to be voted one of the worst Britons in the past 1,000 years.

Elstow Timewatch

Cardington v Elstow Cricket Match

On Sunday 11th June, at 2.30pm the two titans met for an enjoyable afternoon of cricket at Alban Church of England Middle School, Great Barford. In bright sunshine many turned up to watch this historic moment, and with Stephen and Jim's umpiring there was no chance of any underhandedness. The result of the match was very close, with Elstow declared the winner.



Jeremy Crocker

Photographs were taken during the event of the team(s) and the match. It is hoped to display some of these at the back of the church. Ed.

ROSES IN THE CHURCHYARD

We are hoping to convert a part of the Elstow Abbey Churchyard into a rose garden.

If you would like to donate a rose bush to be planted in memory of a loved one, please contact



**Margaret Baron
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MK42 9XT**

Telephone: 01234-218762

Friends of Elstow Abbey

We are making an appeal for new members of the Friends of Elstow Abbey. If you would like more details, please speak to **Colin Albon** (01234 407084) or **Jeremy Crocker** (01234 261477) for more details. The Friends also seek a new Membership Secretary.

Jeremy Crocker

Cardington Fete - Saturday 1st July 2.30pm

Harvest Thanksgiving

Please note that there has been a change in the date of Harvest Thanksgiving. This will now be celebrated on Sunday 1st October. There will be a Family Communion service at 10.30am when the preacher will be the Reverend Richard Huband and on this occasion the children will remain in church. After the service there will be a bring-and-share lunch in the Church Hall when everybody will have the chance to welcome back to Elstow Richard and Anthea.

Colin Albon

PARISH PUMP

Da Vinci Code - an online resource

A new section of the Church of England website, launched just before the UK release of 'The Da Vinci Code' film, invites people to consider the facts and fiction of the book for themselves. The site pits the 'facts' of the Dan Brown novel with the story of Jesus accepted by the Church for generations, providing web-links to organisations such as the Christian Enquiry Agency and the Church Army Sheffield Centre.

URL: <http://www.cofe.anglican.org/info/davinci>

Icons of England

The Lindisfarne Gospels are among the latest pieces of cultural heritage to be declared icons. *The Icons – A Portrait of England* project has included the highly decorated manuscript dating from the late 7th or early 8th century, among its second wave of cultural icons, nominated by people around the world.

Through its website www.icons.org.uk – this Government-funded project aims to provide a snapshot of England.

God's Garden

Plant three rows of peas:

Peace of mind

Peace of heart

Peace of soul

No garden without turnips:

Turnip for meetings

Turnip for service

Turnip to help one another

Plant four rows of squash:

Squash gossip

Squash indifference

Squash grumbling

Squash selfishness

Water freely with patience and

Cultivate with love.

There is much fruit in your garden

Because you reap what you sow.

Plant four rows of lettuce:

Lettuce be faithful

Lettuce be kind

Lettuce be obedient

Lettuce really love one another

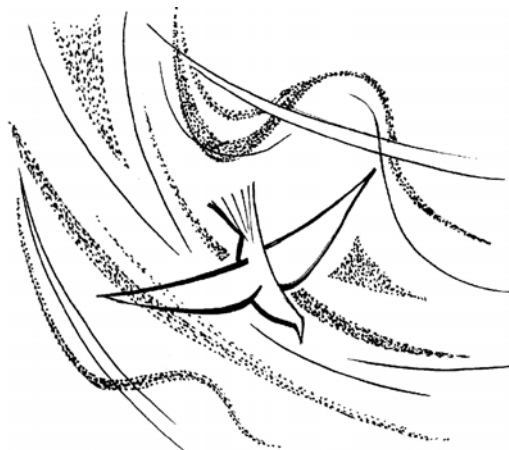
To conclude our garden

We must have thyme:

Thyme for God

Thyme for study

Thyme for prayer.



THE CHURCH CALENDAR

JULY 2006

Saturday 1 st	4.00pm	Blessing of the marriage of Paul and Charlene Jarrold (The Revd Jeremy Crocker – JRC)
Sunday 2nd	Pentecost 4	
	9.30am	Family Communion with Children's Groups (Canon Nigel Morrell)
	11.00am	Morning Prayer (Mattins Group – John Crookall)
	6.30pm	Evening Prayer (JRC)
Monday 3 rd	7.00pm	Prayer Group meet in the Summerhouse
Wednesday 5 th	9.15-11.00am	Visit to Elstow Abbey by Robert Bruce School
	11.30am	Coffee Morning followed by a light lunch in the Church Hall
Thursday 6 th	11.00am	Holy Communion (JRC)
	4.00pm	Blue Badge Guides Visit to Elstow Abbey
	7.30pm	South Bedford Council of Churches Annual General Meeting at London Road Methodist Church.
Sunday 9th	Pentecost 5	
	11.00am	Parish Communion (Canon John Tibbs)
	6.30pm	Evening Prayer (The Revd Stephen Smith – SS)
Monday 10 th	7.00pm	Prayer Group meet in the Summerhouse
Wednesday 12 th	11.30am	Coffee Morning followed by a light lunch in the Church Hall
Thursday 13 th	11.00am	Holy Communion (JRC)
Saturday 15 th	All day	<i>Bedford River Festival</i>
Sunday 16th	Pentecost 6	
	9.30am	Family Communion with the Baptism of Molly Mae Conlon and Children's Groups (JRC)
	11.00am	Morning Prayer (JRC) Bedford River Festival Continues
	6.30pm	Evening Prayer (JRC)
Monday 17 th	7.00pm	Prayer Group meet in the Summerhouse
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Tuesday 18 th	5.00pm	Meeting with Fund Raiser and Architect for New Church Hall
Wednesday 19 th	11.30am	Coffee Morning followed by a light lunch in the Church Hall
	4.00pm	Afternoon Tea in the Rectory Garden
	8.00pm	Meeting of the Liturgy Committee at 43 Armstrong Close, Wilstead
Thursday 20 th	11.00am	Holy Communion (JRC)
Saturday 22 nd	2.00pm	Children's Workshop in the Church Hall

Sunday 23rd	Pentecost 7	
	9.30am	Young People's Service (John Hinson)
	11.00am	Morning Prayer (Mattins Group – Chris Knell)
	12.00noon	Coach leaves for Parish Holiday
	6.30pm	Evening Prayer (Canon Philip McDonough)
Monday 24 th	7.00pm	Prayer Group meet in the Summerhouse
Wednesday 26 th	11.30am	Coffee Morning followed by a light lunch in the Church Hall
Thursday 27 th	11.00am	Holy Communion (The Revd Len Moore)
Sunday 30th	Pentecost 8	
	11.00am	Parish Communion (The Revd Peter Littleford)
	6.30pm	Evening Prayer with Holy Communion and the Laying on of Hands for Healing (SS)
Monday 31 st	7.00pm	Prayer Group meet in the summerhouse
<u>AUGUST 2006</u>		
Tuesday 1 st	3.55-4.25pm	Visiting Bell Ringers from Derbyshire
Wednesday 2 nd	11.30am	Coffee Morning followed by a light lunch in the Church Hall
Thursday 3 rd	11.00am	Holy Communion (JRC)
Saturday 5 th	2.00pm	Wedding of David Deane and Amanda Holbert (JRC)
	4.00pm	Wedding of Carl Jenkins and Sara-Lucie Constant (JRC)
Sunday 6th	Pentecost 9	
	9.30am	Family Communion with Children's Groups (JRC)
	11.00am	Morning Prayer (JRC)
	3.00pm	Baptism of Layla Moxam (JRC)
	3.45pm	Baptism of Ella Wood (JRC)
	4.30pm	Baptism of Leigh Taylor (JRC)
	6.30pm	Evening Prayer (Robert Heley)

FROM THE REGISTERS

Baptisms

May 28th Jack William Parsonage
Thomas Edward Parsonage

Marriages

May 27th Graham Leslie Kester & Hayley Marie Grant
May 28th Lee Watson & Clare Leanne Boncoick
June 17th Matthew Allan Leach & Jan Frances Whittington

Burials

May 31st Kenneth George Harrison
June 10th Phyllis Lawrence & Alfred Lawrence (ashes)

