

**In Peace**

The following funerals have been held:

26 <sup>th</sup> October	Nora Croft
26 <sup>th</sup> October	Joe Selsher
2 <sup>nd</sup> November	Charles Richens
6 <sup>th</sup> November	Elsa Bent
6 <sup>th</sup> November	Irene Truelove

**Christmas Bazaar  
1<sup>st</sup> December**

We will be holding a Christmas Bazaar on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> December in St John's Hall. This is being co-ordinated by Janet Bird. If you can help or supply cakes, prizes for the raffle and/or tombola or (quality) Christmas gifts please contact her either in church or on 01992 587544

And do remember to come and buy Christmas cards, gifts, jewellery, eat the lovely cakes and drink the excellent tea and coffee!

**Mothers Union**

Please join us this month making your door wreaths or table decorations for Christmas & enjoy an early mince pie. The

Church wreaths will also be available to do! Gail Cramphorn will be joining us at 7.30pm on Monday 3rd December in St John's Hall Annex. Please bring greenery, green twine & secateurs if possible.

On Wednesday 9th January at 8pm in the Church Meeting Room we shall hold our AGM & plan our programme for 2008. Everyone is very welcome to join us.

Ann Stephens Jones

**Women's Fellowship**

At our October meeting Mrs Barbara Hurford showed us some very interesting slides taken when she was on holiday in South Africa. She had gone there with a group of friends who had also been in the Guide movement.

We saw slides of country-side including Table Mountain – only visible when there is no mist. Other slides were of buildings, towns and villages, and we could see the difference between the housing of white people and non-white.

Our December meeting is on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> at 2.30 pm in the church room. We shall have an afternoon of poetry, readings and music for Christmas.

There will be no meeting in January.

Mary Geering

**The Travelling Crib**

Several years ago the Mothers' Union revived an old Mexican custom whereby a couple went from house to house, symbolising Mary and Joseph travelling to Bethlehem and asking for shelter on the way.

For us, our travelling cribs are blessed at the Family Service at the beginning of December. They go from family to family, finally arriving back at church for the Blessing of the Crib Service on Christmas Eve.

We have at least 5 cribs with figures and animals made of wood, porcelain or wool to allow for younger and older children. The Travelling Crib box may include dressing up clothes, a Traidcraft Advent calendar, a storybook, pictures to colour and a candle. If you would like a family to bring the Travelling Crib to your home, please speak to MU member Jean Gilby (01992 583125).

**Choir CD**

Unfortunately there has been an awkward technical hitch, which means that another recording session will be needed to replace some lost 'takes'. We expect the disk to be available in plenty of time for **next** Christmas!

## Christian Aid Walk

The Christian Aid Walk 2008 is on Saturday 10th May. Following our enormous and much praised success for the last 2 years, All Saints' is once again responsible for the initial checkpoint at Hartham Common.

As you know this is a major fundraising event for Christian Aid, which is an important and well respected charity, and the 2007 walk raised well over £16,000 despite the number of walkers being well down on the 2006 walk.

Would people please put the date in their new calendar/diary and be prepared for an early start (and finish) on that day (approx from 7.30-9.30am only)!

I am once again co-ordinating the first checkpoint, and will be glad to answer any questions.

Should people wish to walk on the day sponsor forms and cards will be available from Martin Bird probably in March.

Rosemary Bolton

## Theatre outing

There will be an outing to the Mill at Sonning on Thames on Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2008. Cost approx £50 to include Coach, 3 course lunch and the theatre production.

The performance, of *Murder Hunt*, by Brian Clemens, creator of *The Avengers* and *The Professionals* is described as "An Ingenious thriller that will have you on the edge of your seat, until the final chilling conclusion."

Departing circa 9.00 am, we shall arrive in Sonning in time for coffee and a stroll round the pretty village, or perhaps along the Thames, before arriving back at the Mill at 12.30 for lunch and the performance at 2.30.

Departing shortly after the production finishes we should arrive home at approx 7.15 p.m.

All enquiries to Val Worboys on 01992 582487

## Soundbites

As usual, we are most grateful to our sponsors, Waitrose, for their very generous support.

### Wednesday 5th December

Brian Bromley - Organ

Organist Brian Bromley is much in demand locally as a recitalist, accompanist and teacher. Having begun his musical training as a chorister at All Saints' he went on to study music at Trinity College of Music, London. He held various organist posts in London before returning to Hertford as Organist and Musical Director at All Saints', a post he held on two occasions.

### Wednesday 12th December

The Simon Ball School Concert Band

Simon Balle's talented music students will bring our season to a close with some festive favourites!

Christopher Benham

## Errata

A couple of errors slipped past the proof reader last month in John and Fiona's article.

1. There are **twenty two** not two investitures annually
2. Rosemary, Mrs Rice was awarded MBE for **services to education in Camden**. Vicki, Mrs Adkins was awarded MBE for services to Breast Cancer sufferers in Hertfordshire

We apologise for these errors.

A corrected version of the article is available on the magazine website at:

[mysite.wanadoo-members.co.uk/allsaintsalive/nov07jfe.pdf](http://mysite.wanadoo-members.co.uk/allsaintsalive/nov07jfe.pdf)



The Primary School managed to give every child a speaking role in this year's 4 hour long nativity play.