

Holy Baptism



11 th May	Alfie Anthony Philip Peter Elliott Archie Jack Elliot Evie Valerie Jones
18 th May	Jason Lee Holt
8 th June	Serenna May Ann Asbourne Joe William Livermore Webb

In Peace



19 th May	James Barham
22 nd May	Ashley Willmott de Winn
27 th May	Matthew Thomas Lawlor

Mothers Union

Mon 7th July 3.30pm Wave of Prayer. Our Deanery Wave of Prayer service is at Bramfield Church at 3.30pm.

Mon 21st July 11.30am Lunch and visit to Hopleys Garden Centre in Much Hadham Lifts available.

Mon 25th August Celebrate 100th Anniversary Diocesan Fun Day in Keysoe, Bedford 11am-5pm

For more details see either Rosemary Bolton or Ann Stephens-Jones.

Mayor to visit Posy Festival

Councillor Chantel Geall, Mayor of Hertford has kindly accepted our invitation to visit the Posy Festival on Saturday 12 July 2014, between 10.00 and 10.30am. The visit is going to be extra special as the Mayor has expressed an interest in climbing our Church Tower. We are hoping for a big turn out from our church members to give her support and also to be present when our Vicar Jo, blesses the Festival.

Dorothy Toyn said that plans were going very well and all is looking great for All Saints' to put on a good show. You can still order a Posy, just call Dorothy on 01992 589781.

We need helpers to bake Cakes and to man the stalls and church, especially at the War Memorial Display as there will be a lot of personal property which has been lent to us. Gifts for the Raffle will also be gratefully received.

Don't forget the Summer Songs Concert by the brilliant Showstoppers on Saturday Night and to join in the usual fun we have at our Summer Barbecue on Sunday 13 July 2014, after the 10.00am Morning Service.

The Revd. Trevor Jones, Archdeacon of Hertford will close our Festival with Evensong at 6.30pm.

Everyone is welcome and we are looking forward to a very Special Celebration.

Hymns

Have you noticed how the hymns always reflect the readings and the theme of the services?

Since having our new hymn book, Common Praise, it has been great trying out some new hymns with some thoughtful words and, of course, all our favourites! We always endeavour to only ever have one

new hymn in a service if we have one to learn and hear the choir and organ play it and sing it through so that we can pick up the tune.

One very important thing that we may not realise as regular Church attender is that people's knowledge of hymns is fading so quickly that the ones that are being chosen for services such as weddings and funerals are fewer and fewer. The richness of our great hymns is in danger of being lost.

Over the summer months we have the opportunity to choose the hymns for late July and August. I really look forward to singing them with you. A list has been put up at the back of church. We need your choices in good time please before Thursday July 10th.



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10 am to 6 pm

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For more information please contact:

Dorothy Toyn - 01992 589781
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Sea Sunday 13th July

Thousands of seafarers are abandoned on ships every year. They are left to fend for themselves for months, even years, cut off from the world, unpaid and without food or water. In many of the world's ports, The Mission to Seafarers is the only help at hand. We need your prayer and support to continue our vital work for merchant crews and their families in need.

More information, and ways to support their work can be found at www.seasunday.org

Diocese 100th Birthday

Letter from Bishop Alan

It is now only a few weeks before our Diocesan Celebrate 100 event, which takes place this coming Bank Holiday Monday 25 August at Keysoe. This is a very special day in which we will all gather to celebrate 100 years together as our current Diocese. It is to be a day of festival, fun and fellowship centred on our Celebration Eucharist together at 3.00 pm where I hope every parish will be represented.

The College Equestrian Centre in Bedford is an ideal venue, providing over 60 acres of space to enable us to enjoy a wide variety of different activities. This will ensure that there is something for everybody and it provides a unique opportunity for us to bring friends and family to join with us on this special day. One of the reasons for choosing the College Equestrian Centre is that it also provides the largest indoor arena in Bedfordshire, which we can use in the event of inclement weather. Most of the activities on the day are completely free and whilst there is food and refreshment on sale you may wish to bring a picnic and enjoy a completely free day in the 60 acre countryside setting.

I encourage you to make this a priority and to bring as many people with you as possible. This will be a significant moment in our Diocese in which we will assemble the largest possible gathering of our

congregations. This will also be an important mission opportunity and there will be an attractive presentation of Christian life and experience. I therefore encourage you to bring with you those on the fringes of church life who may respond positively to speakers such as Jeffrey John, or who will value experiencing many aspects of the life and joy of our shared faith.

Whilst the main event will take place from 10am until 5.00pm, I know that some of you have arranged to camp on site the night before and many will take the opportunity to enjoy the beautiful surroundings into the early evening. Please feel free to arrive early and depart later in the day as this will help avoid traffic congestion.

Regular updates are posted on the website www.celebrate100.org.uk



The St Albans Diocese will celebrate its centenary on Bank Holiday Monday, 25 August 2014 with a Festival Day of Fun and Praise. The event and all activities are free and will take place in 60 acres of beautiful Bedfordshire countryside at the The College Equestrian Centre at Keysoe, north of Bedford.

Official times are 10.00am - 5.00pm. You can arrive earlier to avoid the rush, some people are camping on site the night before. You can also leave later, that will help disperse traffic gradually.

Some of the things which you can expect - Let us know if you or your parish wish to contribute!

- o Festival Eucharist Remember if you can to bring chairs, picnic rugs etc.
- o Jonathan Veira Vocalist
- o Seminar by The Very Revd. Dr. Jeffrey John
- o Pam Rhodes
- o Children's worship leader Duggie-Dug-Dug

- o Speaker Canon J John,
- o Marquee devoted to children and youth activities with Messy Church
- o Holy Kapow Circus. Demonstration of crafts including icon painting, embroidery, calligraphy, stained glass
- o Internationally acclaimed Essex Dog Display Team
- o Stands and stall with exhibits, including churches
- o English School of Falconry Display
- o Classic cars from across the past 100 years will be on show, with a history of MG cars.
- o Free fairground rides and bouncy castle for children to enjoy,
- o 'It's a Knockout' competition
- o Portable church bell tower to practice ringing
- o Prayer trail across 60 acres
- o Chapel tent with chaplains
- o Laddsa - car driving experience and skills test for all ages (if you can reach the pedals !)
- o Display of flying drones
- o Display of horses
- o Pimms Tent
- o Refreshments and food outlets
- o Music and choirs from across the Diocese
- o Christian Magician 'The Great Gardini'
- o Free Parking

