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Holy Baptism



8th April

Scarlett Winter Holland

Ottilie Juniper Rose Freeston-Clough

Mothers Union

Tuesday 15th May 7.30pm. Amazon Adventure. Barbara Askew will present a talk with photographs of her adventurous cruise down The Amazon. Meeting Room.

Saturday 2nd June 9.45-2.30pm Diocesan Annual Meeting incorporating Festival
Service with banners at King Charles the
Martyr, Mutton Lane, Potters Bar. EN6 3AS

Christian Aid Walk 2018

The 2018 Christian Aid Walk will be taking place on Saturday, 12th May. This year's event will cover a similar route to the 2017 Walk and funds will support projects linked to the theme of Christian Aid Week 2018 (13th-20th May). Last year's event raised over £6000 and, with a full field of walkers, we expect to improve on that figure.

Put the date in your 2018 diary, enjoy a beautiful walk through nearby Hertfordshire countryside and support a great organisation! For more details and entry details go to

www.christianaidwalk.org.

GDPR

The new Data Protection regulations come into force on May 25th. We think we've

identified everything that we need to do and will be explaining more next month.

In the meantime, if you hold any personal data on behalf of the church and have not been contacted, please speak to Martin (P) or Colin as soon as possible.

Thank you!

Soundbites needs your help!

We would welcome some additional Sound bites helpers to prepare & serve food & drinks as part of an experienced team 10am - 2.15pm for Wednesday term time concerts. As many or few sessions a term as you wish. Very sociable & enjoyable.

Please contact Ann Stephen-Jones ann.jones410@ntlworld.com 07837486443

Dates for your Diary

The Social Committee met last week and agreed the following programme up to Easter 2019. Please add these to your diaries now!

Saturday 2nd June Coffee morning 10am -12 noon

Saturday 30th June Garden Party at 140 North Road 3pm until 5pm

Sunday 15th July 12noon Church BBQ

Saturday 8th September Bike and Hike and Coffee morning and Lunch 10am -2pm

Saturday 22nd September Wine tasting

Sunday 7th October Harvest Lunch

Saturday 24th November Christmas Bazaar 10am -2pm **All Saints Alive** 6

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Saturday 26th January January Jolly

Saturday 16th March Quiz Night

National Weekend of Invitation



Beyond our churches, almost 3 million people are open to being invited. Ready to receive an invitation to church or a suitable event

This is the reason for the National Weekend of Invitation

- · To equip church members to face their fear of inviting and so grow as disciples of Jesus
- · To offer a united and strategic opportunity to invite from a guest service or something

When is the National Weekend of Invitation?

The weekend of Friday 15th to Sunday 17th June comes strategically after Thy Kingdom Come, the Archbishop's season of Pentecost prayer and its focus on evangelism. It is also at the heart of the HOPE 2018 season of mission.

For a suggested timetable leading up to the Weekend see weekendofinvitation.com/timetable



How do churches get ready?

Plan an event

This can be anything from simply a guest service on the Sunday, which is Father's day, to a special event on the Friday or Saturday.

A list of ideas and possible contributors is at

A range of publicity on the theme 'Be Our Guest' can be seen at weekendofinvitation.com/publicity

The barrier to inviting is fear – fear of rejection, of setting it wrong, of failure. Our resources help Christians grow as disciples by facing their fear and thinking differently about invitation and what succe means. See weekendofinvitation.com/thebarrierfear The preparation climax is an activity in the context of

rship – an Invitation Cross Sunday See weekendofinvitation.com/cross

Details of the preparation options, including a visit to your church and webinars, are at weekendofinvitation.com/training

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Pilgrimages

This year, 2018, there will be no diocesan pilgrimages, but a programme of no fewer than five is planned for 2019 and 2020. **Details** are now available www.stalbans.anglican.org/faith/pilgrimag es-abroad/.

Here's a flavour.

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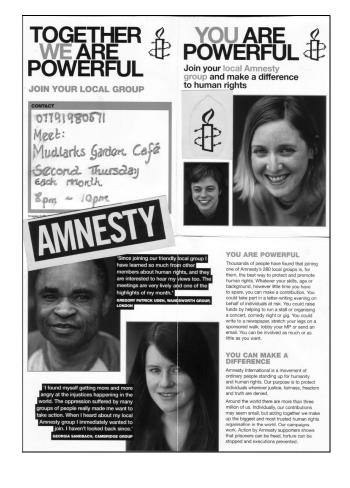
In May Archdeacon Paul & Canon Liz Hughes offer a ten day programme to the Holy Land, based in Jerusalem and Galilee.

In September Archdeacon Janet will be leading a progress along the Camino Trail to Santiago Compostela. This tour offers some limited walking but also uses airconditioned coaches!

2020

2020 is the year of the Oberammergau Passion Play and three tours are available, with bookings for each now open.

- In June The Revd Dennis Stamps, Rector of Harpenden, will host a tour based in St Martin & Lofer
- During the August school holidays Bishop Michael and his wife Lizzie will lead a programme staying in
- In September The Revd Canon Abi Thompson and The Revd Dr Berkeley Zych, Sub Dean and Precentor of St Albans Cathedral, are leaders for a visit based at Strobl on the Wolfgangsee.



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Church at 3

a short dementia-friendly service with traditional prayers and hymns followed by afternoon tea

> 3pm St Andrew's Church, St Andrew Street

> > 20 May, 15 July, 16 Sept, 18 Nov

Contact: Rev Alan Stewart 01992 582726

Inter-church Five-a-Side Football Tournament:

Sunday afternoon 8 July 2018 starting at 2:30 pm at Richard Hale All-weather pitches: Colin Harding and Kevin Carter are organising a tournament between Churches and Christian organisations, and invite entries from churches: you can enter as many teams of different ages and mixes as you like: friends and families can play in a team, it is not limited to signed up church members! Colin and Kevin will match up teams; if there are some walking football teams we can probably also match them up; and the idea is for each team to get as many games against equivalent teams as possible. To enter your team, or check details, email Colin at

colinharding01@gmail.com or text or phone him on 07962 305373. All are welcome to cheer on the teams there will be refreshments available.



