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Holy Matrimony



17th December Reece Brandon Burling

and Kate Askew

23rd December David Anthony Carless

and Kelly Thurgood

Holy Baptism



11th December

Archie William Mountford Ralph John Mountford Joseph Peter Reed Evelyn Duke

In Peace



13th December Doris Paddick

16th December Gerald Brian Medcalf

19th December Rita Edwards

22nd December Christopher Miles

Harvest 2011



Dear Jo,

I am writing to thank your church for your amazing harvest donation which you gave to the Harlow Foodbank. Altogether you collected **249.58kg** of food.

In this particularly difficult time, your donations enable us to provide to local families and individuals in crisis. From 20th April 2009 to 31st August 2011 we have supplied three days' worth of nutritionally balanced food to 3545 people (2124 adults and 1421 children).

Without your support we would not be able to continue this important service to the people of Harlow.

Thank you again and if you would like to know more about the Harlow Foodbank please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely
Gary Knott
Director of Community Services
www.mrct.org.uk/foodbank

All Saints Art

We started our new term on 12th January with a Still Life and have a programme set until Easter. New members are always welcome.

This term we are having two talks to which we welcome visitors to join us. These are:

Thursday 2 February 7.30 – 9.30 'Painting People' Talk and pictures by Geoff Bennett, Chairman Hertford Art Society.

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Thursday 1 March 7.30 – 9.30 'The life of the Virgin Mary' Talk and pictures by Dr Roger Aubery. Dr Aubery has visited us for some years and all have enjoyed his talks into the history of religious painting.

We look forward to seeing some new faces.

For further details contact Gillian Harman 01992 422042 or Nick Hoyle 01992 550336

Poetry Reading

Tricks of the trade

Are you interested in poetry?

John Earle will be leading a meeting in the the Church Meeting Room on Tuesday 21st February at 8pm entitled "Poetry Reading -Tricks of the Trade".

Everyone is welcome and we do hope you will come along and bring a favourite poem. We are hoping that everyone attending will read a short piece from their favourite poem and talk about it for a (very) short while, but don't feel you have to talk just come along and listen to others if you prefer.

The rest of the Mothers' Union 2012 programme will be coming out soon and promises to be interesting and varied, we do hope you will come and join us for any or all of the meetings. You do not have to be a member... or a mother!!! You will be more than welcome.

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

Work Party

Our volunteers did over 120 hours during 2011, which is an excellent achievement, and managed to carry out some essential works including:-

✓ The usual removal of yew berry seeds from the gutters together with cleaning out the road gullies and blocked rainwater hoppers

- ✓ Remove, clean and reset wood blocks within the church.
- ✓ Repointing of stonework
- ✓ Repairs to lead flashing
- ✓ Treatment of Oak Doors
- ✓ Major work on St John's Hall & Annex including repairs due to vandalism

It is fairly easy for me to find the work and make notes. What is not easy is to find the workers to do these tasks. We have been fortunate this year in getting some new and, dare I say, younger members - but I am sure if other people came forward we could keep them all happy.

I do try to remember to take along the tea and biscuits!

We usually meet once a month on a Saturday (normally the third Saturday) from about 9 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.

Dates and times are always noted on the boards in the back of the church and in the Vestry so keep an eye open and , at the same time, please contact me that I can include you on the list of helpers and notify you personally if there are any changes to dates

Derek Westwood Tel 01992 558071

Dates in 2012
21st January
21st July
18th February
17th March
21st April
19th May
16th June
21st July
18th August
18th August
15th September
20th October
17th November
22nd December

Isabel Hospice





Thu 2 Feb 2012; Thu 1 Mar 2012; Thu 5 Apr 2012 Net Working Lunch 12:30 - 14:00

To be held at LUSSMANNS, 42 Fore Street, Hertford SG14 1BY. A monthly networking lunch run by Isabel Hospice Corporate Relationship Manager, Julie North, working in association with Marketing Kinetics and Lussmanns. We welcome

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companies from all over Herts & Essex offering an opportunity to network both inside and outside your own areas. A similar event has been running in Bishop's Stortford for the last 8 months. Cost £15 includes buffet, glass of wine, soft drinks, tea and coffee. For more details contact Julie North 01707 382547

Sat 17 Mar 2012- Sun 18 Mar 2012 Midnight Swim 20:00

Isabel Hospice second annual MIDNIGHT swim! Two venues to choose from. Haileybury Swimming Pool, Hertford Heath, SG13 7NU and Hatfield Swim Centre, Lemsford Road, Hatfield, AL10 0XR. The evening will include the normal sponsored swim and the Boat Race Challenge. There will be a sun & surf theme so don your bikini or board shorts and join the fun! For more info. email Katie Robertson or call our Fundraising team on 01707 382500

Fri 27 Apr 2012 The 3 Peaks Challenge

Raising funds for Isabel Hospice. The "3 Peaks Challenge" is a well know legend throughout the hill walking and mountain climbing fraternities of Britain and even the world. Incorporating ascents of all 3 of the highest peaks in Scotland, England and Wales, the challenge covers a travelling distance of over 475 miles between the peaks with 3407 metres of ascents over 26 miles of mountain paths. All this and an attempt to complete the adventure in 24 hours or less! Used by fund raisers and dare devils alike, the "3 Peaks Challenge" constitutes endurance mountaineering ultimate challenge in Britain and is a must for all climbers and walkers to have under their belt. Whether you take the challenge at its word and try your best to complete the distance in the 24 hours or just take your time and enjoy the views and the mountain air, the "3 Peaks Challenge" is an experience not to be missed. For more information please contact Julie North on 01707 382547

April 2012 Coast to Coast Walk

Walk to raise funds for Isabel Hospice. Depending on skills this takes between 10 - 14 days. We have flexible dates in April. Originally planned in 1972 by the legendary Lake District walker Alfred Wainwright, the "Coast to Coast" walk is one of the greatest and most challenging prospects available in Britain to the walking community. At almost 200 miles in length and taking in the national parks of the North Yorkshire moors, Yorkshire dales and the Lake District, the

walk gives an ever changing and breath taking view of northern England. The walk starts from St Bees on the West coast of Cumbria, It then travels through Ennerdale and through the famous Honister Pass and over Shap and Sunbiggin Tarn. Following this you travel up to Nine Standards Rigg then out of Cumbria. The route then travels through the majestic Yorkshire Dales, and finishes by pushing across the the North York Moors, heading towards the finishing post at Robin Hood's Bay on the East Coast of North Yorkshire. All in all a daunting prospect but an amazing achievement. This experience can be broken down however you choose, creating either an adventurous and gruelling personal challenge for the likes of charity fund raisers or a leisurely, multi-day holiday for the enthusiastic walker. The challenge and opportunity is all yours. For more information please contact Julie North on 01707 382547



Our choir singing carols on the wards of the Hospice on 21st December 2011

Accommodation wanted

I will be moving to Hertford from Oxford at the end of Feb for a new job at Hertfordshire University. I will need temporary accomodation from 29th Feb Mon-Fri until we sell and buy our house in Oxford. My wife will stay in Oxford until the summer or we purchase a house.

At Headington Baptist I am a trustee and leader of mission support. My minister can provide a reference if that would help.

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