

## Holy Baptism



14<sup>th</sup> May      Marnie Elle Groves  
Beau Valentine Knight

## Holy Matrimony



29<sup>th</sup> April      Calogero Amorosi and  
Natalie Susan Jane Tuting

## In Peace



25<sup>th</sup> April      Linda Little  
26<sup>th</sup> April      Bill Fletcher  
4<sup>th</sup> May        Myrtle Blair  
9<sup>th</sup> May        Janice Lake  
17<sup>th</sup> May      Joan Eaves

## Mothers Union

**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June 10.00-2.30 Diocesan Annual Meeting** with Bev Jullien MU CEO at St Andrew's, Bedford MK40 2NG

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2.30pm Wave of Prayer.** Our Deanery Wave of Prayer service is at All Saints' Church.

**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June 7pm The Fallen of All Saints'**

Jean Riddell will give us a talk commemorating those who gave their lives in WW1 from All Saints' near the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the battle of St Julien. In Memorial Chapel.

More information from Rosemary Bolton or Ann Stephens-Jones

## Bible Book Club

Our next meeting will be on 6<sup>th</sup> June We will be studying Luke Chapters 9 and 10. All welcome.

## Church e-mail addresses

Orange are closing all their old e-mail services. Any e-mail address with the word freeserve, fmail, or orangehome, amongst others, will stop working on 31<sup>st</sup> May.

Please can you check your contacts lists/address files and make sure you are using the correct addresses:

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There are fuller lists at the back of this magazine and on our website at <http://www.allsaintshertford.org/contacts.php>

Thank you!

## Produce Stall Update

First of all I want to say a big 'thank—you' to everyone who supported the Produce Stall over the past year. This enabled me to send £1,095 to help provide fresh fruit and vegetables for the refugees in the Ritsona Camp in Greece. Then early this year we changed to helping Bridge Builders with the Easter Journey.

I have had a letter from Bridge Builders Christian Trust thanking us all for the £225 I sent them recently from the Stall. They write:

*"It is so encouraging to receive gifts towards the work of Bridge Builders in Stevenage and the surrounding areas, and we really appreciate your support."*

*The Easter Journey went very well this year. We had nearly 1300 children attending the Easter Journey, across eight churches in Stevenage and Hertford. This year, many of the children seemed to have genuine questions and really engaged with the journey, which is very exciting.*

*We are so appreciative of your church's support in running the Easter Journey as well as your financial support which enables the Easter Journey to run.*

*Many thanks again."*

Currently, for a few weeks, proceeds will go to the Maureen Lines Memorial Appeal through the Hindu Kush Conservation Association. Maureen ran a one-woman health service for the Kalasha people on the Pakistan frontier with Afghanistan for over 25 years. She died in March, aged 79.

You may remember we raised money for her to help alleviate the devastating effects of a massive earthquake a few years ago, which swept away bridges, walnut trees (therefore income), topsoil etc. She was able to get food, from the World Food Programme, delivered to remote villages.

Also damaged was the Bashali house, which is no longer safe to use. The trustees of HKCA recently agreed that its replacement would make a fitting and permanent memorial to Maureen.

Fiona Earle



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Local Social helps you make friends with people who share your interests.

You can try something you have always wanted to do or meet up for a coffee.

Local Social is run by people who have a bit of a learning disability- they know what it's like and want to help you.

What are you good at? What would you like to do, but need a friend or some help to do it?

Help us organise an activity yourself!

Call Andy, James and Karin on 07399 193156



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## Music News

Congratulations to Soraia Jorge and Romarlla Blanche-Drammeh on their

recent promotions to Senior Singing Girl and Full Chorister, respectively.

Also congratulations to Michael Stephens-Jones on his recent organ recital as part of the East of England organ day when he was presented with the winner's shield for the Senior Section of the London Organ Competition.



## Pastoral Search Report

The following is a confidential report on the candidates for a vacancy somewhere .....

Adam: Good man, but problems with his wife. Also, one reference told of how his wife and he enjoy walking nude in the woods.

Noah: Former pastorate of 120 years, with no converts. Prone to unrealistic building projects.

Abraham: Though the references reported wife-swapping, the facts seem to show he never slept with another man's wife, but did offer to share his own wife with another man.

Joseph: A big thinker, but probably a braggart; believes in dream-interpreting, and has a prison record.

Moses: A modest and meek man, but poor communicator, even stuttering at times. Sometimes blows his stack and acts rashly. Some say he left an earlier position over a murder charge.

David: The most promising leader of all, until we discovered the affair he had with his neighbor's wife.

Solomon: Great preacher, but our parsonage would never hold all those wives.

Elijah: Prone to depression - collapses under pressure.

Elisha: Reported to have lived with a single widow while at his former church.

Hosea: A tender and loving pastor, but our people could never handle his wife's occupation.

Deborah: Female.

Jeremiah: Emotionally unstable, alarmist, negative, always lamenting things, and reported to have taken a long trip to bury his underwear on the bank of foreign river.

Isaiah: On the fringe? Claims to have seen angels in church. Has trouble with his language.

Jonah: Refused God's call into ministry until he was forced to obey by getting swallowed up by a great fish. He told us the fish later spat him out on the shore near here. We hung up.

Amos: Too backward and unpolished. With some seminary training he might have promise, but has a hang-up against wealthy people. Might fit in better in a poor congregation.

John: Says he is a Baptist, but doesn't dress like one. Has slept in the outdoors for months on end, has a weird diet, and provokes denominational leaders.

Peter: Too blue collar. Has a bad temper - even has been known to curse. Had a big run-in with Paul in Antioch. Aggressive, and a loose canon.

Paul: Powerful CEO type leader and fascinating preacher. However, short on tact, unforgiving with younger ministers, harsh and has been known to preach all night.

Timothy: Too young.

Jesus: Has had popular times, but once when his church grew to 5000 he managed to offend them all and this church dwindled down to twelve people. Seldom stays in one place very long. And, of course, he's single.

Judas: His references are solid. A steady plodder. Conservative. Good connections. Knows how to handle money. We're inviting him to preach this Sunday. Possibilities there.



## Black Dyke Band joins Hertford Choral Society to 'Celebrate Mid-Summer!'



**HCS**  
Hertford  
Choral  
Society

*Celebrating  
Derek Harrison's  
40 years of making  
music with HCS*

**Saturday 24th June 2017**

7:30 All Saints' Church, Hertford SG13 8AY

**TICKETS** £16, students under 25 £4

Phone 07936 719498 Email [tickets@hertfordchoral.org.uk](mailto:tickets@hertfordchoral.org.uk)

\* Online [www.ticketsource.co.uk](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk)

\* In person from Hertford Town & Tourist Information Centre, 10-12 The Wash, Hertford SG14 1PX

\* Subject to booking fee

### Hertford Choral Society joins forces with the legendary **Black Dyke Band**

Whether or not you have an interest in brass band music, you will surely have heard of Black Dyke Band, one of the most famous names in the world of brass bands. They have a long and successful history: founded in 1833, during the past 180 years they have made over 350 recordings, been British Open champions 30 times and European champions 23 times. With that sort of pedigree, you know that you're in for a wonderful display of brass playing, and we are delighted that they are performing with us in Hertford, continuing our tradition of working with different genres of music for our summer concerts. Join us for an exceptional evening of virtuoso brass and choral singing.



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Not to be missed!

[hertfordchoral.org.uk](http://hertfordchoral.org.uk)

#### About Hertford Choral Society



HCS is an all-embracing community choir that brings top quality music to Hertford. Musical Director Derek Harrison engages professional orchestral and solo musicians to support the choir and perform concerts that inspire the singers and delight their audiences. The variety of their concerts ensures something for every musical taste. Alongside their classical events HCS perform with musicians from other genres, for example saxophonists, ukelele players and brass band players. They also include local schools in their Christmas concerts.

To find out more about this very special choir and hear them sing, go to [www.hertfordchoral.org.uk](http://www.hertfordchoral.org.uk).