

St Mary's Henlow Newsletter

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Week beginning Sunday 21st August 2011

THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

11.00am Parish Eucharist

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WELCOME all who join us for our service today. Please feel welcome to stay for coffee or squash after the Eucharist – the time to meet and greet.

PLEASE PRAY FOR....

....All missionaries and their work at home & abroad
....Benezeri Kisembo, Bishop of Ruwenzori, Uganda
....those who suffer in mind, body or spirit: Jean Mattock; Angie Rigney (Reader); Ann French; Wallace and Judy Clarke; Heather Jewell; Tom and Eileen Vincent; ; Anthony Smith; the Rev'd Jim Broadbridge; Archdeacon Paul Hughes.
....those in care homes: Florence Emery; Margaret Pickles; Jessie Child; Pat Cook.
....R.I.P. Brian Jewell

THIS WEEK AT ST MARY'S

Monday 22nd - 9.00am Morning Prayer

Tuesday 23rd - 7.00pm Choir Practice

8.00pm Bell Ringing Practice

Wednesday 24th **ST BARTHOLOMEW, APOSTLE**

9.00am Morning Prayer

Friday 26th - 9.30am Morning Prayer

Saturday 27th – 10am – 4pm Church open

2.30 to 4pm Deanery Church Crawl to St Mary's

NEXT SUNDAY – 28th August 2011

THE 10th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

11.00am Sung Eucharist

3.00pm - Holy Baptism ~Thomas and Aaliyah Kerr and Harry Tekell

NEXT WEEK

Monday 29th - 4.30pm Brian Jewell Coffin received into church

Tuesday 30th - 12 noon Funeral ~ Brian Jewell

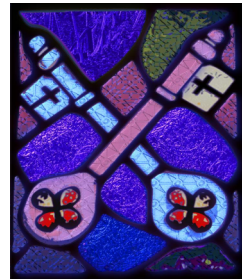
NOTICES

August Church Crawls Discover the churches in the new Ampthill and Shefford Deanery. Details on church notice board. St Mary's is taking part and the slot allocated to us is Saturday 27th August from 2.30 to 4 pm.

Salvation Army Band Concert On Saturday 24th September the Stotfold Band will be giving a concert in the church at 7.30 pm. Light refreshments will be served and there will be a retiring collection for the Salvation Army and St Mary's.

Jazz Concert On Saturday 1st October in St Andrew's Church, Langford, organised by the Friends of St Andrew's. Details on the notice board.

Annual Bike 'n Hike This annual event takes place on Saturday 10th September from 10 am to 4 pm. Forms for participants are available at the back of the church. In addition help is needed to be in church to welcome participants. Please add your name to the list at the back of the church if you can spare some time to help with this. Hilary Woods and Anne Burgess are planning to take part and would welcome sponsors please - half proceeds to St Mary's and other half to Beds and Herts Historic Churches Trust.



Rev'd Sue writes: we are looking for volunteers to be Baptism Visitors - visiting families beforehand to befriend them and go through the service with them, then to be at the service to welcome them. There will be training given on Monday 22nd August (note change of date) at 2pm in Langford Church Hall. Please can interested people speak to me or Pat.

Back to Church Sunday this year is on Sunday 25th September when you are asked to invite back to church family, friend, neighbour. Back to Church Sunday is all about personal invitation. One person reaching out to another to invite them back to church. And your invitations make a difference.

"One man said he'd never been to church in his life before. He said he'd enjoyed the service and would come again! (Blackburn Diocese) One man was moved to tears at the Gospel message the service presented; Jesus Christ meets us where we are and as we are. (St Albans Diocese) One lady had been thinking about coming back to church for a while and this gave her the incentive she needed. (Sheffield Diocese) During the weeks ahead pray for an opportunity to invite someone back to church. Take an invitation card from the back of church and use it.

ITEMS FOR THE NEWSLETTER TO THE EDITOR, JAMES BURGESS, BY THURSDAY, PLEASE

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