

**ALL SAINTS CHURCH BOYNE HILL  
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PARISH NEWS**

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**Dear Parishioners and Friends of All Saints, Boyne Hill,**

As I write for the latest Parish News I look forward to the Annual Parochial Church Meeting at Boyne Hill Cricket Club. We have over the years tried to make the evening informative, missionary, and social. This year we will hear how our local senior school of Altwood has been blessed by the ministry of The Revd Jo Ellington. Jo will show how the ministry of presence and Christian love can enable young people to be valued. Education is one of our key areas of mission and Jo's input alongside Open the Book Teams, those that welcome schools on visits to the church, those that are governors at schools and the opportunities we have in a wide number of schools to share assemblies enable outreach to young people.

We will hear also about the finances of the church, hear about the 'Day in a Life of a Vicar' and give thanks for the abundant ministry that members of the Body of Christ at All Saints take part in. One of the key areas of ministry is that of 'Welcome'. On the recent conference in Durham looking at how people from around Europe support asylum seekers and refugees we discussed welcome. One of the key areas is how do we enable people to feel welcomed and discover a sense of belonging that might lead to participation within the community. We can see evidence of this when people from Iran take part in welcoming people to church, hand out hymn books and take forward the offertory and take part in Lent lunches by providing soup to raise donations for the Ripple Effect charity in Africa. We note, too, a woman from Iran going out with me this week with Street Angels and a man assisting on a volunteer basis at Thames Hospice. These are examples of welcome leading to belonging.

It is clear that in recent years we are seeing more people from All Saints community and not just our friends from Iran but many new people giving to the community. We will have three new members of the PCC who have not previously been involved and there are growing numbers of people assisting in the various groups within the community and I am delighted to note in the wider community too. David Morgan our Parish Secretary noted the amazing ministry that is shared by parishioners both within the church and in the wider society and felt that it was important to highlight some of those areas of ministry through Parish News. In this edition David directs us in the direction of Boyne Hill Tuesday Club, The Tuesday Lunch Club at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Senior Saints, Maidenhead Care and All Saints Pastoral Care team.

These groups highlight different and complementary models of living the Christian life. Boyne Hill Tuesday Club has for many years provided a wonderful series of varied speakers and events to attract people from within and without All Saints. The Tuesday Lunch Club has over 30 plus years provided a

superb home cooked meal and company to many people from Cox Green and the Parishes of Edmund Campion and All Saints. Senior Saints which grew from Mothers Union continues to share friendship, hospitality and pastoral care to the people who attend. Maidenhead Care with members from All Saints as well as many other churches has provided superb support to people from the wider community of Maidenhead for over 30 years. The Pastoral Care Team of Jeanette Lock, formerly Fr John and I have shared home communion at home and reached out to our local Nursing Homes. All these groups reflect the desire to provide a sense of belonging, community and communion within the community.

Please take time to read the accounts of the ministry of these various groups.

May we all be blessed by God's love this week,

*Fr Jeremy*

### RESOURCES FOR THE NEXT TWO WEEKS

- Thursday 25**      *3.00pm Open the Book at All Saints School*  
*8.00pm Choir Practice*  
*6.00pm AllSorts at St Mary's Church*
- Friday 26**      *9.00am Assembly at Boyne Hill Infants School*  
**10.00am Tiny Saints in the Parish Centre**
- Saturday 27**      *9.00am to 1.00pm Morning with Bishop Olivia and church communities from the Deanery discussing children, families and youth ministry at Dedworth.*
- Sunday 28**      **10.00am The Parish Eucharist for the Fifth Sunday of Easter**  
Celebrant: Fr Jeremy
- 4.00pm Sundays@4 in Church & Parish Centre** We will share the story of the vine, the branches and the fruits with young people and families. All are welcome to join us. We hope to start meeting in the Quadrangle again in May and share food from the BBQ.
- Monday 29**      *I will be walking the first leg of Reading to Southampton, an early pilgrim route to Santiago. The pilgrimage which I will share with a school friend from our days in Wales will continue over five Mondays.*
- Tuesday 30**      *8.45am Altwood School Assembly on Wellbeing and Compassion*  
**9.30am Morning Prayer**  
**1.30pm Chapel & Chats at Altwood School**  
*7.30pm Meeting of Sustainability Group in the Birinus Room*
- Wednesday 1 May**      **8.45am Altwood School Assembly on Wellbeing and Compassion**  
**10.00am Requiem Eucharist**  
Celebrant: Fr Jeremy  
*11.30am Service at Clara Court Nursing Home: Fr Jeremy & Jeanette Lock*  
*3.00pm Open the Book at Larchfield School*

- Wednesday 1 May** 8.00pm *Berkshire Council of Christians and Jews at Maidenhead Synagogue with Shaun Fletcher, a presenter on various BBC programmes including 'Songs of Praise'.*
- Thursday 2** 8.45am *Altwood School Assembly on Wellbeing and Compassion*  
3.00pm *Open the Book at All Saints School*  
4.00pm *Confirmation Class on Zoom*  
**8.00pm Choir Practice**
- Friday 3** 10.00am **Tiny Saints in the Parish Centre**
- Sunday 5** 10.00am **The Parish Eucharist for the Sixth Sunday of Easter**  
**Celebrant: Fr Jeremy**  
Young Saints meet in the Birinus Room
- 12 noon **Holy Baptism**  
**Please pray for Violet Fry, Oakley Deeley, their parents and godparents**
- Sundays@Six Evensong & Benediction**  
**Fr Jeremy**
- Monday 6** *Fr Jeremy's Pilgrimage continues*
- Tuesday 7** 9.30am **Morning Prayer**  
10.00am *Yoga with Karen Harvey in the Parish Centre*  
**1.30pm Chapel & Chats at Altwood School**  
2.30pm *Tuesday Club in the Parish Centre see p 4*
- Wednesday 8** 10.00am **Eucharist**  
**Celebrant: Fr Jeremy**  
2.30pm *Senior Saints meet at Carole Deverill's House see p 4*  
3.00pm *Open the Book at Larchfield School*

#### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

**Thursday 30 May 7.30pm** Corpus Christi at St Stephen and St Agnes Spittal Church, Windsor. The Revd Canon Sally Lodge has invited us to share this service of thanksgiving for Holy Communion. The hope is that we might alternate a shared Eucharist for Corpus Christi over the coming years.

**Sunday 9 June 10.00am** Eucharist to mark the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of D-Day, Kohima and Monte Cassino with the Royal British Legion.

#### **PRAYER INTENTIONS**

(A Prayer from Roots)

Your love, O God, is for all people no matter where they are from or where they live. Your love accompanies us on our journey through life, through the good and the bad, happy and sad times and all the times between them.

Your love is with us on the mountaintop and in the valley, on the roads rough and smooth. You are our sustenance, our guide, our teacher and our friend. For all of this and so much more, we adore you.

Amen.

We give thanks at this time of our Annual General meeting for all those who give their time, talents and energy to the life of the community at All Saints and in the wider ministry to the surrounding communities.

We are asked to pray this week for the meeting with Bishop Olivia sharing the Diocesan hope to reach out to children, young families and young adults. We give thanks for those areas of life where Jesus is making a transformative difference in the lives of young people. We give thanks for school chaplains and in our local area for the ministry of the Revd Jo Ellington and the ministry of presence and hospitality she shares at Altwood School.

We continue to pray for the way of peace in this world of unrest. We hold before you the people of Gaza, Israel, Iran and the surrounding areas and for each child and adult. We hold within our community the people of Iran who are worried about relatives and friends and we pray too for those from our congregation with families in Israel, Lebanon and South Sudan. We pray for the time when weapons of war are turned into ploughshares and when nations no longer lift up sword against nation and peace is found. We pray for the United Nations as they seek unity and solidarity in the world.

We pray for those in need of God's healing; Danielle, Christopher, Sylvia Dennison, Gordon Kerrison, Sylvia Telford, Barbara Bannister, Hugh Boulter, Joseph White, Moreiza Seraj, Scopas Lado, Margaret Ego, Jim Goff, Gill Deane-Williams, Vera Shaw, Chritina Duncombe, Abbas Heidari, Azita Heidari, Arash Rezaei, Elham Nekunam, Doreen Bramble, Doris Winn, Nick Kirk, Heidi Webb, Masouma Hassani, Akram Taj-eddin, Mahmoud Saimi, Abdul-Quadir Taj-e-din and Abolfazi.

We remember the recently departed, and all our departed loved ones whose anniversary of death falls at this time. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

### **TUESDAY CLUB 7 MAY 2.30pm IN THE PARISH CENTRE**

Well, the Tuesday Club programme says *Regain Your Inner Child* – what can it mean, I wonder? Why not come along to find out what mysterious delights our ingenious and inventive Secretary has dreamt up to entertain merrymakers in the merry month of May.

*Jan Moss*

### **SENIOR SAINTS WEDNESDAY 8 MAY 2.30pm**

Looking forward to seeing you at Carole Deverill's home in Laburnam Road.

*Margaret Hill*

### **DOING THE SMALL THINGS WELL**

If you missed the Maidenhead seed swap all is not lost!

**Datchet Seed and Seedling Swap takes place on Saturday 27 April, 11.00am to 2.00pm** - Datchet W.I. Hall, Village Centre, SL3 9EH. Bring seeds and seedlings, swap seeds and seedlings or just take some free to begin your own growing journey. Talk to gardening and compost experts and share ideas about gardens and growing.

Many farmers are struggling to grow food this year because of the floods, so prices will go up. Growing a few bits for yourself will help your budget, and being prepared to buy British 'less than perfect' fruit & vegetables will help our national food security if it leads to fewer farms going bankrupt. Put together our individual 'small things' can add up to a big difference!

*Your Eco-Church committee*

## WORSHIP FOR SUNDAY 28 APRIL THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

### COLLECT

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: grant that, as by your grace going before us you put into our minds good desires, so by your continual help we may bring them to good effect; through Jesus Christ our risen Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit one God, now and for ever. Amen

### N T READING Acts 8: 26 - 40

An angel of the Lord said to Philip, 'Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.' (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, 'Go over to this chariot and join it.' So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, 'Do you understand what you are reading?' He replied, 'How can I, unless someone guides me?' And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this: 'Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth.' The eunuch asked Philip, 'About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?' Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, 'Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?' He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

### GOSPEL John 15: 1 – 8

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine-grower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.'

### MUSIC

Prelude:	Noel Nouvelet	<i>M Bedford</i>
Opening hymn:	721 Love divine, all loves excelling	
Gradual hymn:	212 Now the green blade	
Offertory hymn:	494 I, the Lord of sea and sky	
Communion hymn:	472 You are the vine and we are the branches	
Communion hymn:	131 O for a closer walk with God	
Closing hymn:	692 Guide me, O thou great Redeemer	
Postlude:	Praeludium and Fuge	<i>G Böhm</i>

## WORSHIP FOR SUNDAY 5 MAY THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

### COLLECT

God our redeemer, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his continual presence in us he may raise us to eternal joy; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit one God, now and for ever. Amen

### N T READING Acts 10: 44 - 48

While Peter was speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, 'Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?' So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

### GOSPEL John 15: 9 – 17

Jesus said to his disciples: 'As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.'

### MUSIC

Prelude:	Chorale Prelude on "Melcombe"	<i>C H H Parry</i>
Opening hymn:	650 Great is thy faithfulness	
Gradual hymn:	134 Praise to you, O Christ our Saviour	
Offertory hymn:	487 Christ is the one who calls	
Communion hymn:	430 Bread of heaven, on thee we feed	
Communion hymn:	431 Bread of life, hope of the world	
Closing hymn:	72 Joy to the world	
Postlude:	Fanfare on 'Antioch'	<i>G Hancock</i>

### 6.00pm SUNDAYS@SIX EVENSONG & BENEDICTION

Organ Preludes:	Regina coeli Op 64 <i>Dupré</i> & Cantabile <i>Franck</i>
Opening Hymn:	21 O strength and stay upholding all creation
Psalm:	29:1 - 10
Office Hymn:	12 Before the ending of the day
Benediction Hymn:	24 The day thou gavest, Lord, is ended
Organ Postlude:	Fantasia and Fugue in C minor BWV 537 <i>J S Bach</i>

### PARISH NEWS NEWS

Tanya has kindly agreed to produce and issue the Parish News in May, but it will be fortnightly on 8 & 22 May. Anything for either of these issue to her ([allsaintsboynehill@gmail.com](mailto:allsaintsboynehill@gmail.com)) by the Monday before please.

## PARISH VISIT TO KEBLE COLLEGE, OXFORD ON SUNDAY 12 MAY

If you're lucky enough to be going on this trip here are the joining instructions:

We will leave All Saints at 2.00pm by bus to travel to Oxford. There will be a tour and talk from 3.30-4.30pm about the history and architecture of the college, which was founded in memory of John Keble, whose Assize Sermon on 'National Apostasy' in 1833 was regarded as the beginning of the Oxford Movement.

Sandwiches and refreshments will be provided in a room at the college from 4.30pm and we will attend a Eucharist service in the college chapel at 5.30pm. The bus should get us back to Maidenhead for about 8.00pm.

**The cost will be £15, including travel and refreshments. Please could those attending make a payment to Stella Harding by Sunday 5 May.**

If you have any questions, or would like to go on the waiting list in case of drop-outs please contact me [greghurst@btinternet.com](mailto:greghurst@btinternet.com)

*Greg Hurst*



## 2024 CHRIST CHILD MARKET SATURDAY 30 NOVEMBER

We are delighted to tell you that we will be holding the Christ Child Market on Saturday 30 November this year – a change from the previous Sunday event.

Please put the date in your diaries or calendars and look out for more information later in the year on how you can get involved in, or contribute to, this wonderful community event which also helps raise valuable funds for the church.

And do speak to either of us if you would like to find out more about joining the Organising Group.

*Fr Jeremy & Stella Harding*

## YOGA COMING SOON TO THE PARISH CENTRE ON TUESDAYS

**10.00am – 11.00am STARTING 7 MAY**



Hatha Yoga suitable for all levels. Beginners welcome.

Traditional and authentic yoga taught by a senior level Yoga Alliance accredited teacher Karen Harvey, who is also a new member of our congregation.

Posture by posture you will be guided into the correct alignment and depth for your body, adaptations are available for all postures with regards to injuries or constraints

which might affect your ability in postures. Suggested amount £10 but if this leaves you without, please put in your own amount.

For more details please contact Karen 07717 748 927 or [karenharveyyoga@hotmail.com](mailto:karenharveyyoga@hotmail.com)

## WAMCF WOMENS' GROUP Tuesday 21 May 7.30pm at St Edmund Campion

Ladies of all beliefs and none are warmly invited to the next meeting

Talk and discussion groups: *The Dignity and Worth of Women*

Further details from: [sally514@btinternet.com](mailto:sally514@btinternet.com) [www.wamcf.org](http://www.wamcf.org)

**At our ACPM on Monday evening Ken Smith stood down as Churchwarden after quite a long time; here is note from him:**

It has been my privilege and my pleasure to serve All Saints as a Churchwarden for seventeen years altogether, in three separate periods between 1971 and 2024, and in support of three vicars, Fr, Michael Ware, Canon Norman Brown, and Fr Jeremy. On reflection, the first time was more of a warming up period for the following two, as the building work was quite minimal, the ancient oil-fired boiler was behaving itself, and such important matters as Safeguarding, GDPR, Health and Safety and the demands of the charity Commission had yet to be embedded formally into the culture of the church. Also, Statistical returns to the Diocese were minimal, not like now!

Building highlights(?) have included the leak that occurred in the asbestos-covered boiler room, requiring an immediate shut-down of the heating system, the commissioning of a specialist company to remove all the asbestos, and the installation of a new heating system, which itself was not without its problems. Who remembers the huge and very loud heater fan at the back of the church which we had to hire in when it was very cold?

Then there was the stone that a gardener had found lying around at the base of the tower and which he showed to our then architect and me. That discovery led to the repair and restoration of the tower and spire at an estimated cost of £1 million, only made possible by the generous support of Historic England.

And more recently the restoration of the nave floor. All these and many more caused us to sweat buckets and burn the midnight oil at the time but thanks to the work of dedicated and determined people we achieved success each time and the mission of church has been the better for it. I am pleased to have played my part.

Among other top testing, stretching and strengthening issues I would certainly include the Interregnum between Fr. Norman and Fr. Jeremy, and who can forget the Covid period for many reasons.

I have skipped through all these matters and overlooked many more but I do not forget all those I have worked with and socialised with on the way, and still do, and not least I have enjoyed, and do enjoy, working in particular with the Welcome Group, the Sustainability `Group, and the Stewardship Group.

It has also been so rewarding to help and befriend our Iranian colleagues.

I, of course, relinquish my role with mixed emotions, but it is time to hand on the baton and I know that John and Steve are worthy carriers. I am of course not going anywhere and shall still be available to help in any way that my experience allows me to. I just have to find somewhere else to sit!

Thank you to everyone.

*Ken*





**AND PLEASE REMEMBER TO KEEP DONATING TOILETRIES TO CARE FOR CALAIS IF YOU CAN.**

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