

## **YOUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED:**

**For those who are ill:** Alistair Gunning, Valerie Bateson, Candice Croxford, Olive Langford, Joyce Ralphs, Sue Horsnell, Vera Knight, Arthur Read, Horace Hart, Bill Stokley;

**For those with ongoing needs:** Dorothy Stokley, Eileen Atkinson, Olive Sheriff, Emily Beebe, Edwin Bates;

*Prayers for others with ongoing needs are offered at our weekday services. If you wish only to be remembered at Morning and Evening prayer, please contact the clergy.*

### **For those who have died:**

Sheila Ann Whitney, Jarmans Close (Funeral 20<sup>th</sup> February, 11am St. John's)  
Charlie Parker (Funeral 24<sup>th</sup> February, 10.45am St. John's)  
Maxine Wiltshire, Hammer Lane (Funeral 1<sup>st</sup> March, 12 noon St. John's)  
and we pray for their families and friends.



## **TODAY:**

**WE WELCOME** Fr. John Byrne to preach at our 9.30am Parish Eucharist today. James will be preaching at the 11.30am service at St. Mary & St. Joseph.

**USPG LENT BOXES** have arrived for those who would like to collect for this Anglican Mission Agency over the coming weeks. Available at the back of Church.

**THIS EVENING** our **Service of Evensong at 6.30pm** will conclude with **Prayers for Healing** and the opportunity to receive the laying on of hands. All are welcome to stay for this. If you would like anyone remembered in prayer, please print their name clearly in the red folder on the table at the back of St. John's.

## **THIS WEEK:**

**THE HOME & FAMILY GROUP** meets on Monday at 7.45pm in the Hall when we welcome Ann Harper with "Doll Sanctuary". Annual subs are now due - £5 please. Enquiries to Marion Roff ☎ 250194.

**LENT BEGINS** on **Ash Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> February**. There are Holy Communion services with Imposition of Ashes at 10.30am and 8.00pm at St. John's, and Sung Mass with Imposition of Ashes at 8.00pm at St. Francis. Please come to one of these special services if you can.



**LENT COURSES** begin on **Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> February**. There are 8 different venues and times available to sign up for to be part of this year's Lent Course on Prayer. The Course is for **everyone** so please sign up (or phone the office on 260299) and be part of a group. Prayer is central to our life as Christians and we all have insights to share and much to learn - so join in! The cost will be £1 per person for the course material.

## **NEXT SUNDAY:**

**THE GADE VALLEY HARRIERS** will be running next Sunday (26<sup>th</sup> February) – parking will be limited, so please park further away from church if possible to leave spaces for those less able.

## **PARISH NOTICES:**

**APCM ADVANCE NOTICE** Please note that all reports, including those from church committees and groups, need to be with Linda Cooke **by 30 March**. (Tel. 01442 266036; email [lindacooke@waitrose.com](mailto:lindacooke@waitrose.com)) The APCM will be at 7.45 pm on Tuesday 24 April.

**PLANTS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL FAIR:** If you enjoy raising plants from seeds and cuttings, we are hoping you might be able to produce some flowers or veg to go on sale on the Plant Stall at the Environmental Fair which is being planned for Saturday **23<sup>rd</sup> June**. Please think of us as you start planting this year. Contact Pat Angell ☎244158 or [candpangell@gmail.com](mailto:candpangell@gmail.com).

## **OTHER NOTICES:**

**ACROSS HEMEL** – all participating churches are praying for particular events and activities for Across Hemel. Boxmoor has been asked to pray especially for the Family Fun Day which is on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> July. Please do remember this day, for those planning it and for its impact as part of the Across Hemel Event. More information on the website [www.acrosshemel.co.uk](http://www.acrosshemel.co.uk), or from Dee Fisher or Ruth Goatly

## **CONGRATULATIONS**

*and warmest good wishes to Ernie Choules  
who celebrates his 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday today!*

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