

In Peace



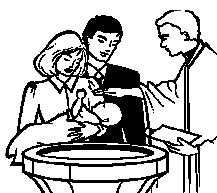
4th July Sylvia Mear

27th July John Connelly

28th July Betty Scott

3rd September Kenneth Beard

Holy Baptism



Thomas James Downing

Michelle Emma Glynn

Freya Beatrix List

Ruby Louise Baylett

Emma Louise Curling

Craig Perkins

Aaron James Boylett

Holy Matrimony



17th July Martin David Williams & Joanna
Carrett

17th July Christopher James Gerard Gipton
& Fiona Elizabeth Kyle

19th September Gary Paul Jones &
Katie Samantha Williams

View from the Churchwardens Pew

By the time you read this the refurbishment and decoration of the choir vestry will be virtually finished. It has taken very many hours of hard labour - cleaning, preparing and painting all the cupboards where robes are stored, and the work party have removed some doors. None of this would have been possible without the help that we have had and in particular Dorothy's fantastic effort, week in and week out assisted by a few others, - thank you all very much for your efforts. Please go and take a look for yourself.

Prayer and Bears had a first this month - it had babies and children into double figures !!!!! This first Tuesday in the month service is really starting to take off. In order to encourage mums and young children to attend it has been decided for those seeking to have their child baptised would be invited to attend this and the baptism preparation would be undertaken immediately afterwards, where this is convenient with parents.

September has been a very busy month, firstly with the coffee morning on 11th which raised £438, rapidly followed by the Quiz a week later which made about £500, then another week later the new Bishop of Hertford Paul Bayes celebrated the Eucharist and had lunch with us. I think we will all need a short rest after these events !!!

Thank you all for the way in which you responded to the request to help all those flood victims in North-West Pakistan; the retiring collections raised about £250 and John and Fiona's stall raised a lot more than that to add to the total helping all those in such distressing conditions.

On **20th October** there is a meeting of all those who would like to be involved in the **'Welcome' team**. Janet will be leading this and any of you who feel you could

contribute to making newcomers feel at home by helping with this are welcome, even if you did not attend the course earlier in the year.

Now autumn is fast approaching it is that time of the year when we need to have a **Grand Clean** of the church before the winter sets in, and this has been fixed for **Saturday 23 October** starting at 9.00am. Please come along and help us with this, there are tasks to suit young and old.

Another new group is being formed for 'Teenagers'. This is being led by Martin Bird and will take place on the **second Sunday in the month** during the 10.00 service and is open to people of year 8 and upwards – it will be in the upstairs room in St. John's Hall, to discuss issues of interest to young people from a Christian perspective. Please talk to Martin about this new venture.

Love Andrew

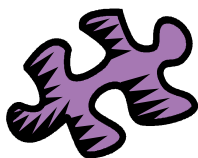
Church Bazaar

We will hold our annual Church Bazaar in St John's Hall from 10:30-3:00 p.m. on Saturday 27th November.

As well as the usual stalls and light lunches we will hold a Prize Draw. If you have a suitable Prize please speak to Dorothy or Andrew.

Help needed!

Do you enjoy jigsaw puzzles and have a few hours to spare as winter approaches? Then perhaps you can help us. We have a considerable number of jigsaws which need checking to ensure they are complete with all the pieces present before we offer them for sale at our next coffee morning. This obviously means they have to be assembled and discarded if pieces are missing. If you feel you are able to help with this please speak to Denise Dilley on 01992 587113.



Harvest Happening

A Harvest Happening will take place in St John's Hall on Sat 2nd October - 6.30pm for 7.00pm.

There will be a sausage and mash supper followed by entertainment by All Saints Youth Group. Wine will be provided for each table. Do come along for what promises to be a fun evening. For catering purposes we do need to know numbers so please let the Churchwardens know if you are going to attend. Tickets are free but donations on the night will be appreciated.

A church bulletin advertised:
POT LUCK SUPPER NEXT SATURDAY AT 8 P.M.
Prayer and medication to follow.



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Welcome

Would you like to join the Welcome Team at All Saints? We have new people in our congregation week by week and it is great to be able to offer them a warm welcome and someone to take them over to have coffee in St John's Hall. We will ask 2 or 3 people each week to wear welcoming ribbon badges and we are looking for caring and friendly people to help us to do this.

Please see Jo or Janet if you feel that you may be able to be a welcomer once a month and do come along to a meeting on October 20th in the Meeting Room at 8:00 p.m.

St John's Hall.

During August we gave the Hall a modest make-over. The Herts Probation Trust painted the whole of the inside of the Hall. It looks wonderfully bright and fresh. The Community Service workers came every day for two weeks with their supervisors and equipment. Not only that they did some very useful jobs outside like clearing the weeds on the edge of the ditch.

We are very grateful to them and particularly to Dawn Lally, the project manager, for arranging it. Since then our own team of Derek and Brian have given the floor its annual clean and seal.

So very many thanks to all of them.

Nature Club

We had an interesting evening on 11th September, when Andrew Wood and Alan Reynolds returned for another Moth Trapping. The weather conditions were perfect - warm, a little humid and no wind. They set up two 'traps', one fairly central in the churchyard, one nearer the church, which produced most species.

We saw over 25 species, which were carefully put in glass tubes so we could examine them closely before releasing them. Initially there were lots of Squarespot Rustics, then three different types of Yellow Underwing. The Brimstone Moth is a little beauty, also the Yellow Shell, and a couple of different Sallow Moths. One of my favourites was the Light Emerald, but the stars for size were two huge Old Lady Moths! (not caught).

Best name - perhaps Setaceous Hebrew Character. Interesting oddity - Orange Ladybird, which is only seen at night, and is a rather anaemic looking creature - it feeds on sycamore.

Our thanks go to Andrew for his time, equipment and great expertise. Also to Alan for his assistance.

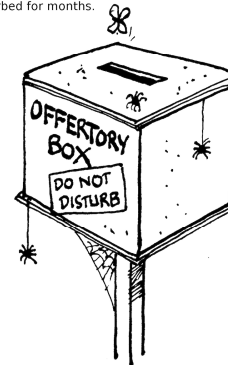
Our next event is Badger Watching at Tewin on 16th October. There are a limited number of places, so please let Kath Oates know if you want to come - details later. Transport can be organised if you don't have a car.

Fiona Earle

Pets Service



Two spiders met in church. The first spider said: "I can't find anywhere quiet to live in this church. It's too noisy in the organ loft, it's not very peaceful in the choir stalls and if I settle in a nice dark corner under a pew it isn't long before someone comes along with a broom and sweeps me out." The second spider said: "You'd better come and join me in the offertory box. I haven't been disturbed for months."



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