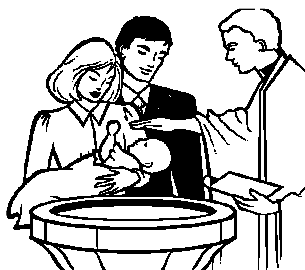


## Holy Baptism



- 12<sup>th</sup> October Marco Nico Grasso  
Valentino Anthony Constantinedes
- 19<sup>th</sup> October Toby Charles Merhemitch
- 23<sup>rd</sup> November Shamus Balome

## In Peace



- 27<sup>th</sup> October Sheila Game
- 6<sup>th</sup> November Zoe Stock
- 11<sup>th</sup> November Mabel Carter  
Mabel Smith
- 18<sup>th</sup> November Frank Oldham

## All Saints' Travelling Cribs

An old Mexican custom uses the idea of people dressed as Mary and Joseph travelling round the village, knocking at doors to see who will give them hospitality.

We have adapted this custom with our very own Travelling Cribs. The crib boxes contain Nativity Figures, an Advent Calendar, a Storybook and pictures to colour.

Our cribs will be blessed at the Family Service on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> December and then they will move from home to home so that, by Christmas, Mary and Joseph will have travelled round Hertford, arriving at the Crib Service at All Saints on Christmas Eve. We invite everyone to take part.

If you would like a family to bring a travelling crib to your home, please speak to any Mothers' Union member (see below).

## Mothers Union

### Mon 1<sup>st</sup> December 7pm Table Decorations & Wreath Making in the Church Meeting Room

As part of our preparation for Advent and Christmas we will be making our Christmas wreaths and table decorations in the Church Meeting Room from 7pm. Bring greenery, secateurs, garden twine, dishes and oasis as required. We will be selling some of them at the Winter Bazaar on Sat 6<sup>th</sup> Dec.

### Tues 13<sup>th</sup> January 2015 7pm AGM and Planning Meeting

Meeting and Pot Luck Supper with refreshments and finger buffet food in the Church Meeting Room at 7pm. Please come with good ideas for 2015.

For more details see either Rosemary Bolton or Ann Stephens-Jones.

## Thank you

Over the summer/autumn period I have been bringing surplus vegetables and a few flowers to the church. People have been taking them and putting a contribution into the Isabel Hospice box.

I am pleased to report that due to your generosity I have sent a cheque for £101.00 to the Hospice for their work with those who have a need of their services.

My thanks to those who have given so generously.

Derek Westwood

## Litter Pick

A big thank you to Rosemary Graves, Hilary Anderson, Tony Weeden, Brian Dilley, George Satchell, Stephen Bardle and Iain Wilson from All Saints and to our Mayor, Chantel Geall and Councillor Jane Sartin who helped us to collect 20 sacks of rubbish carelessly scattered by thoughtless people in and around Hartham Common.



## Work parties 2014

Our volunteers have given approximately 150 person-hours this year plus many hours at the May Plant Sale and more hours trimming the hall hedges in August.

They carried out the usual essential works including:-

- ✓ Removal of Yew berry seeds from the gutters; cleaning out of road gullies and blocked rainwater hoppers, especially the tower roof outlets.
- ✓ Removing, cleaning and resetting floor wood blocks within the church, a little job we normally keep for wet days.
- ✓ Some re-pointing of stonework, repairs to lead flashing, re-painting the down pipes, repairs to damaged items, treatment of the oak doors. Still more to do!

We have spent a lot of time and effort on St. John's Hall, the annex and external areas around the church particularly weeding and cleaning walls and paths.

We have been fortunate in having from four to ten volunteers turning up each month.

It has been a joy getting to know some new younger and also some experienced members as well as those who are eager to learn simple skills to perform such jobs.

I try to remember to take along the tea, coffee and chocolate biscuits for the end of the session!

We meet once a month (normally the third week) on a Saturday, any time between 9am and 12.00pm

**Dates and times are always noted on the boards in the back of the church** so keep an eye open! Please contact me so that I can include you on the list of helpers and notify you personally if there are any changes to dates.

*Derek Westwood*  
Tel 01992558071

## Fellowship Group

Come along and join our new monthly Fellowship Group. This is a small, friendly group of people who meet once a month for a time of fellowship, prayer and discussion and, of course, CAKE!

The atmosphere is relaxed and informal with emphasis on being a safe, non-judgemental space to discuss topics of interest decided on by the group as well as a place to build supportive relationships with one another.

Dates vary from month to month but each meeting will take place in the Meeting Room at All Saints. Coffee served from 7.45pm with the discussion starting promptly at 8pm followed by more coffee and CAKE at 8.45pm where there will be time to chat for as long as you like.

Our first meeting in the New Year will be on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> January.

Love, Ginni

### The Gated Landscape

Reports came in of shepherds seen  
Trespassing by the river Beane.  
One man had stumbled near the spot  
His surname worked the family plot;  
Another tied his laces near  
His granddad dropped an orphan's tear.  
With ease we tracked their snow foot-  
tread,  
Past Stapleford to Watton, led  
By a mystical tribal thought:  
That what the human being sought  
Is not the straight path, but to roam  
Like rivers, and meander home.  
At Tewin church we stopped the chase.  
Returning at a gentler pace,  
We talked and got our story straight:  
"We lost them, Sir, at the church gate",  
(The only open one we'd passed)  
"As if they'd walked into the past."

*Stephen Bardle*

## News from the Millers

Hi Everyone,

Hope that you are well. Just a little note to let you know that we moved house a few weeks back. Our new address is: 4418 Torquay Drive, Victoria V8N 3L4, B.C, Canada

Our other news is that in a week or so we shall have a new addition to our family – very exciting for us.

Sophie and Alice settled into their new school this September, and are both really enjoying it. We had a lovely summer and travelled up to Whistler, enjoying Blackcomb and Whistler mountains.

Graham's job is going well and I have just begun my maternity leave.



Graham's parents Sylvia and Derek arrived yesterday and are staying for 3 months, I will return to the UK with them on 19<sup>th</sup> Feb with all three children for a month. Graham will come over for the second two weeks of the trip, so hopefully it will be a time to catch up with you all in person.

Do please keep in touch, we love to hear from you and your news.

*Annabelle, Graham, Sophie, Alice-Bunny and ?*



Please join us for our  
**Churches Together Unity Service**

This year we will be joining together as  
Christians of all denominations at

Hertford Baptist Church,  
Chambers St, ( Port Hill)  
Hertford

**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> January at 3.00pm**

The theme is:  
Affirming all People

All are welcomed in God's love

Father Terry Phipps will be preaching

Please join us for this inspiring annual  
service