

• **Notices and Future Events**

**Easter Lilies**

In memory of a loved one. £1.50 each

Please ring Barbara on 01234 854369 or use the envelopes at the back of the church to put your money in with the name of the person to be remembered

The names of those remembered will be displayed on a board at the back of church on Easter Day

- **May Festival** - combined with the abseil is on Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> May
- **Christian Aid Abseil** - please go to the website, if you would like to sign up to take part! [www.christianaid.org.uk](http://www.christianaid.org.uk)
- **Public Meeting** - On Thurs 26<sup>th</sup> March there will be a public meeting 8.30pm-9.30pm in the Vestry (following PCC) open to all to discuss the vacancy when Jeremy leaves.
- **Scripture Union** - are running a workshop on Tues 19<sup>th</sup> - Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> May for children to learn about John Bunyan, based here. They would love some more help with the event. If you're interested, please come & listen to Simon Barker at the PCC Meeting on 26<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm in the vestry.
- **Team Council Meeting**- 7.30pm Wed 4<sup>th</sup> March at St Mary's
- **Alpha Course** - day in Elstow Abbey on Sat 7<sup>th</sup> March
- **Jeremy's day off** : Friday 6<sup>th</sup> and Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March

**Church Wardens** Contact details: Tracey Hinson 01234 406061 & Andrene Kerr-Robinson 01234 342156

Wedding/ Baptism Bookings/enquiries or Notices on **Thursday** to Sarah Duffy at the Rectory - 01234 261477.

**IF YOU ARE NEW TO OUR CHURCH... WELCOME.**  
Please stay for tea/coffee and cakes in the Vestry following the 10am service



**THE ABBEY CHURCH**

**OF ST MARY AND ST HELENA, ELSTOW**

We extend a warm welcome to everyone today

**Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2015**

**The Second Sunday of Lent**

- 10.00am Holy Communion + Sunday School (JRC)
- 10.15am *Holy Communion at St Michael's (NM)*
- 11.20am Mattins (JRC)
- 12.30pm Baptism of Freddy Matthew Holt (JRC)
- 4.30pm Wedding interview @ the Vicarage (JRC)
- 6.30pm Evensong (JRC)

**Collect for 01.03.15**

Almighty God, you show to those who are in error the light of your truth, that they may return to the way of righteousness: grant to all those who are admitted Into the fellowship of Christ's religion, That they may reject those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are Agreeable to the same; Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Who is alive and reigns with you, In the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God, now and for ever

**Collect for 08.03.15**

Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: Mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, May find it none other than the way of life and peace; 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.

## Diary for the weeks

Monday	10.00am	Mums & Toddlers
2 <sup>nd</sup>	2.30pm	Prayer Group
	<b>7.30pm</b>	<b>Benefice Lent Group at St Michael's</b>
	8.00pm	Friends of Elstow Abbey meeting in The Vestry
Tuesday	4.00pm	JRC to governors' mtg at Cotton End
3 <sup>rd</sup>	6.30pm	Youth Club
	7.30pm	Parish Council Meeting at The Playing Fields
	7.30pm	Alms House Meeting at Cardington
Wed	11.30am	Coffee and Soup in the vestry
4 <sup>th</sup>	12Noon	Cluster Lunch at Chimney Corner
	2.00pm	Benefice Bible Study @ Cardington
	3.15pm	Funeral at Bedford Crematorium of Edward Warren (JRC)
	5.00pm	JRC - Finance mtg at Cotton End
	6.15pm	Wedding interview @ Rectory (JRC)
	7.00pm	Alpha Course at Elstow
	<b>7.30pm</b>	<b>Team Council at Cardinton</b>
Thursday	09.30am	Morning Prayers (JRC/SS)
5 <sup>th</sup>	11am	Holy Communion (JRC)
Friday	10.30am	Service at Elstow Abbey to mark Women's World Day of Prayer
	7pm	Choir Practice
	8pm	Bell Ringing
Sat	TBC	Alpha Course - Day in Elstow Abbey
7 <sup>th</sup>		

## Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March - The Third Sunday of Lent

### Stewardship Sunday

10.00am	Holy Communion + Sunday School (JRC + MC)
10.15am	Holy Communion at St Michael's (PL)
11.20am	Mattins (JRC + Mavis Crossen)
6.30pm	Evensong (JRC + Mavis Crossen)

Mon	10am	Mums and Toddlers in the Vestry
9 <sup>th</sup>	2.30pm	Prayer Group
	<b>7.30pm</b>	<b>Third session of the Benefice Lent Group at St Mary's, Cardington</b>
Tues	5.30pm	Wedding interview @ Rectory (JRC)
10 <sup>th</sup>	6.30pm	Youth Club
	<b>8pm</b>	<b>Benefice Bible Study at the Vicarage</b>
Wed	10.00am	Burial of Ashes- Florence Harley (JRC)
11 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Funeral Visit (JRC)
	11.30am	Coffee and Soup in the Vestry
	2.00pm	Benefice Bible Study at Cardington
	4.30pm	Wedding interview @ Rectory (JRC)
	6.30pm	Governor mtg at Elstow School (JRC)
	7pm	Alpha Course at Elstow
	7.30pm	JRC to the Whitbreads
Thurs	09.30am	Morning Prayers (JRC/SS)
12 <sup>th</sup>	11am	Holy Communion (JRC)
	8.00pm	Finance and Standing at the Rectory
Fri	7pm	Choir Practice
13 <sup>th</sup>	8pm	Bell Ringing
Sat	am	Prepare flowers for Mothering Sunday
14 <sup>th</sup>	TBC	JRC to Diocesan Synod

*Morning Prayer said every day 8.30am at St Mary's*

*Deceased: Edward Warren, Florence Harley*