

PARISH DIARY

Regular Activities

Weekdays	*9.00am-3.15pm	Pre-School - *Thurs 9.00-12.45pm	Pinchmill School
Mon	8.00pm - 9.00pm	Pilates	Village Hall
Tues	Approx 11.00am	Fishmonger in village - call 07803	201399 for info
Tues	7.30 pm	Table Tennis Club	Village Hall
Weds	7.30pm - 8.30pm	Zumba Dance Fitness	Village Hall
Thurs	8.00pm - 9.00pm	Yoga (term time only)	Village Hall
Fri	9.15am -11.00am	Parent/Toddler Group(term time only)	Portakabin
Fri	7.00pm - 8.30pm	Youth Club	Village Hall
2 nd Sunday	in each month at	7-10pm Sunday Sisters wine & nibbles	The Sun
2 nd Thurs	in each month at	3.00pm Thursday Club	Committee Room
3 rd Tues	in each month at	7.30pm W.I.	Committee Room
1 st Tues	every other month	(Jan/Mar/May/July/Sept/Nov)	Committee Room
		7.30pm Parish Council Meeting	

Church Services for July - morning services commence at 10.15am

Sun 1 July	Benefice Service at Sharnbrook	St Peters Church
Sun 1 July	Evensong at Sharnbrook 6.00pm	St Peters Church
Sun 8 July	Family Communion at Felmersham	St Mary's Church
Sun 8 July	Evensong at Sharnbrook 6.00pm	St Peters Church
Sun 15 July	Choral Communion at Felmersham	St Mary's Church
Sun 15 July	Evensong at Sharnbrook 6.00pm	St Peters Church
Sun 22 July	Matins at Felmersham	St Mary's Church
Sun 22 July	Choral Evensong at Sharnbrook 6.00pm	St Peters Church
Sun 29 July	Choral Communion at Felmersham	St Mary's Church
Sun 29 July	Evensong at St Margaret's Church Souldrop 6.00pm	St Margaret's Church

Dates for your Diary

Tue 3 July	Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm	Committee Room
Sat 7 July	Coffee Morning from 10.30am	St Mary's Church
14/15 July	Art & Craft Exhibition 12-5pm	Carlton Village Hall
Tue 17 July	Tea and Cake in the Church 2.30 to 4.30pm	St Mary's Church
Sat 8 Sept	Beds & Herts <i>Bike 'n Hike</i>	Various churches
Sun 9 Sept	Felmersham & Radwell Show (details TBA)	Village Hall
18-22 Sept	"Cash on Delivery" S'brook Mill Theatre 7.30pm	S'brook Mill Theatre

Rector and Rural Dean: Revd. Robert Evens (782000)

Curate: Revd. Tom Sander (781773)

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We welcome any items of general interest for inclusion.

All items should be with the editor by noon on the 25th of each month.



Village info. online www.felmersham.net

JULY 2012

Dear Friends,

On Saturday 30th June at 4.00pm in St Albans Cathedral, Thomas Sander will be "priested." This is another word for ordination, the process by which someone is made a priest.

Early July, or in Tom's case late June, around the time of the feast of St Peter, is a time that many denominations use to ordain people to be deacons or priests. The process and ceremonies may vary between each, but generally speaking ordination is the process by which individuals are consecrated, that is, set apart.

This goes beyond 'blessings' – a wish or pronouncement that God is with you; but rather it is intended to be making a change happen. Most of us think of events as being 'before' or 'after' a certain time or happening. For mothers, life is divided by the birth of their first child, 'Before Baby was born ... after Baby arrived....'.

With ordination, the intent is that a similar profound change occurs. It's not something you can erase or forget or pretend it didn't happen. Even if a child were to die, the mother would still be a mother: nothing will ever change that. And so it is with consecration.

Once someone or something is consecrated, it is changed into something or someone set apart for a specific use by God. This is NOT to say that all deacons and priests are holier or closer to God than other people, just that they are set apart to do His work.

Tom was ordained Deacon last year and Priest this year, and that means there are certain things that he can now do that he couldn't before. Most notably he can now celebrate communion, but he can also now perform weddings and he can pronounce the absolution of sins during services.

Tom will be with us for another couple of years or so as the Curate and I wish him well on this next stage of his journey. Being consecrated, or "set apart" can be a great joy and privilege, but it is not without its difficulties!

With every blessing,

Robert Evens

JULY COFFEE MORNING on 7th JULY

Jane Wells

Thank you to all who came along to the June Coffee morning. It was lovely to see everyone. The next coffee morning will also be held in St Mary's Church on **SATURDAY 7th JULY at 10.30am.**



Please come along again – and those who missed the last one do come this time and bring your neighbours and friends with you.

Contributions of home made cakes, toiletries, produce and bric-a-brac for the bring and buy stall will be greatly appreciated.

We look forward to seeing you, all are welcome.

AFTERNOON TEA IN THE CHURCH

Next month tea and cake will be served in the Church on **TUESDAY 17th JULY** from 2.30 to 4.30pm.

It is a good place to meet your neighbours and friends, to meet new people and to have a cup of tea and a piece of home made cake while doing so. Toys will be available for children to play with.

Looking forward to seeing you all.

Jane Wells



EVENSONG SERVICE AT SHARNBROOK

Tom Sander

On **Sunday 22nd July** the Dean of St Albans, Dr Jeffrey John will be coming to talk to us about St Mary Magdalene, whose day we mark on that Sunday. He will speak at Evensong in Sharnbrook which is at 6.00pm.

JUBILEE MUGS

Parish Council

Calling all youngsters 16 years and under living in Felmersham and Radwell who have not received their Jubilee mugs. The mugs are available for collection from Marjorie Pipe, Cassiobury, Pavenham Road, Felmersham (tel. 781140). Please collect as soon as possible.

ART AND CRAFT EXHIBITION

Sue Bailey

There will be an Art & Craft Exhibition and Sale in Carlton Village Hall, the Moor, Carlton, on **Saturday 14th July, 10.00am to 5.00pm** and on **Sunday 15th July, 12 noon to 5.00pm.** Entrance is £1. Light lunches and refreshments available.

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Babysitting (Radwell)	Darina Carter 782622	General Building Renovation work	Allan Levene 781918
Childminding	Maxine Boswell 782128	IT Services (business or home)	Clive Just 781967/783246
Children's Party Entertainment	Samantha Cook 781859	Maths Tuition	Geraldine Hubbard 781413
Chemistry/Science/ Maths tuition	Peter Rankin 782897	Odd Jobs (babysitting / car washing / gardening / house cleaning, etc)	Isaac Perring 782733/07500828404
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“CASH ON DELIVERY” • 18th - 22nd September at 7.30 pm. (Please note new start time). A ‘full on farce’ by Michael Cooney, son of the acknowledged master of the genre, Ray Cooney. An assortment of characters including a DSS fraudster, an alcoholic DSS Inspector, a comatose hospital porter, a confused lodger, a bewildered councillor...and a washing machine with a mind of its own, contribute to a cautionary tale of complex intrigue, which becomes increasingly ridiculous and bizarre.....

Tickets available from Sharnbrook Post Office from 13th August, and Bedford Central Box Office on tel: 269519. 10% discount for 10 or more (excluding Charity performance).

Two wheelchair spaces, easier access seating Rows A–C: hearing loop Rows A-E. Advance booking for “*WEST SIDE STORY*” 16th – 24th November 2012 ‘...one of the greatest musical masterpieces of all time’ will be available during the *Cash on Delivery* performance at The Mill Theatre.

SHARNBROOK MILL

FISHING: Do you enjoy fishing The Great Ouse? The Theatre Trust owns the Fishing Rights of ‘The Mill’ island. Fish from the banks of The Mill Theatre island, in season, and enjoy ‘Full Mill membership’ too for the inclusive fee of just £25 p.a.! To apply, please contact: Alan Capper, email: sattl@hotmail.co.uk

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CHRISTIAN AID 2012

Peter Rankin

We raised the record sum of £582.64 this year. This represents an increase of 16.5%, i.e. £82.64. Many thanks for the donations and an especial thanks for the people who took on the onerous task of collecting the envelopes.

We did have a number of foreign coins which could be useful if the Eurozone folds.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Tuesday 3rd July at 7.30pm in the Committee Room, Village Hall. Members of the public are invited to attend and listen to the discussions and during the evening a short time is allocated to enable the public to put questions to the Council.

MOON WALK FOR BREAST CANCER

Cherrie Dawson

I would like to say *thank you* to all who recently sponsored me in the Moon Walk - your generosity has enabled me to pass the sum of £450.00 to the Breast Cancer Charity. Thank you all.

THURSDAY CLUB CELEBRATIONS

Pam and John Norris

"Truly scrumptious" is the only way to describe the Thursday Club's Jubilee tea party.

We would like to say a very big thank you to Celia and all who catered for this enjoyable and happy occasion. The food was delicious, savouries, "boozy" trifles, meringues, were just a few of the delights. Finally a very moreish Jubilee cake was cut by Constance and we all toasted "*Her Majesty*" with a glass of bubbly. GRAND!

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A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Maggie Spoor

14th Felmersham & Radwell Autumn Show and Art Exhibition

Sunday 9th September in Pinchmill Hall

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Schedules will be delivered during July

****NEW FOR 2012** - 'Best in Show' trophy for the finest exhibit of
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THURSDAY CLUB

Celia Hulatt

We celebrated the Queen's Jubilee at our June meeting with a street-style tea party. Tasty savouries, trifle and decorated cake, topped with a glass of bubbly was served. Members all dressed up in red, white and blue, enjoyed playing quizzes and reminiscing about the day in 1953.

Thank you to all the helpers who supplied the food and transport.

Next month's meeting will be an outing. There is no meeting in August.



Members doing their bit to help the Queen celebrate the Jubilee! (Photo: Celia Hulatt)

BIKE 'N HIKE 2012 - A date for your Diary

Ken Shrimpton

Are you a cyclist or a walker and would you like to raise money for St Mary's church?



The annual Sponsored *Bike 'n Hike* organised by Beds and Herts Historic Churches Trust will this year be held on Saturday 8th September. Please make a note of the date in your diary or on your calendar. More details nearer the time, giving plenty of time to pump up those tyres or bang the "summer" mud off those walking boots.

Don't forget, *Bike 'n Hike* - Saturday 8th September 2012.

W.I.

May Mills

Do you know your physostegia from your physocarpus? Kathy Brown was delighted to share her extensive knowledge of plants as she took us on a conducted tour of her garden at The Manor House, Stevington. We were quite a large group to keep in check (28) and some of us missed her words of wisdom, but we were all enchanted by the breathtaking displays of the herbaceous borders, cottage garden, wild flower meadow and the various walks including the lime walk, birch walk and eucalyptus walk. She was particularly keen to show us the edible flower border which featured on the BBC's Gardener's World in 2008. Afterwards, the ladies of Stevington W.I. gave us a most delicious home-cooked supper in the Village Hall. However, best of all - the sun shone!!

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THE DIAMOND JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

Editor

I am sure you would wish to join with me in congratulating all those who worked so hard to make the celebrations a huge success, regardless of the weather! Special thanks go to Maxi Boswell for the original idea for the village Jubilee celebration and the determination (and energy) to see it through. Thanks also go to the army of helpers and those who ran the games, the servers of tea and cakes, the cake makers, the Parish Council for the mugs and, most importantly, special thanks to those of you who came along to make the day such a success. Here are a couple of memories of the day.



A few of the best-dressed teddies in the country! (Photo: Ken Shrimpton)



A very wet (and cold) Revd. Tom Sander in the stocks, after being the recipient of soaking wet sponges! (Photo: Gillian Johnston)

DID YOU KNOW?

INVENTIONS: DISSOLVABLE PILLS

In 1884 William Upjohn, a US doctor from Michigan, invented the first pill that could dissolve in the stomach.

Upjohn had the innovative idea of introducing a starter particle into a revolving pan. As the pan turned, the starter was sprayed with powdered medicine, building up the new pill layer by layer. The number of layers controlled the strength of the pill. The resulting “friable” (easily crushable) pill dissolved when ingested. Prior to Upjohn’s development, patients had to ingest drugs in liquid form or as pills with hard coatings. The problems were that the dosage of liquids was inconsistent and the pill coatings were so hard that they did not always dissolve, meaning that patients received no benefit.

After patenting his invention in 1886, Upjohn developed a machine to mass-produce his pills. With his brother he set up the *Upjohn Pill and Granule Company*. He sent small pine boards to thousands of doctors together with samples of his “friable” pills and his rivals’ hard pills, inviting the doctors to crush the pills into the boards to see which one was the most digestible.

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